WESTERN CAROLINA UNIVERSITY IMPORTANT BID ADDENDUM

Date: 08/6/24

FAILURE TO RETURN THIS BID ADDENDUM IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS MAY SUBJECT YOUR BID TO REJECTION ON THE AFFECTED ITEM(S).

Bid Number: 00713 Addendum Number: 1 Agent: John Hamm Commodity: Shuttle Buses Opening Date/Time: 8/12/24 2:00 PM ET

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The following concerns the above referenced bid:

Question: Is Western Carolina University interested in an all-electric version? Answer: No electric vehicle

Question: 5.1 Specifications, Pg. 13

- Request capacity to be made clearer such as: bus to be NON-CDL; 12 forward facing fixed seats, 1 single foldaway seat, and 2 rear wheelchair positions with lift door on curb side behind rear axle. (This works with your spec requiring a rear door and maximizes your capacity and flexibility while still keeping you as a NON-CDL bus.)
- Request more information for seats. Recommend spec to read: High-Back NON-Reclining Seats with aisle side sliders.
- Request upholstery to be noted for the seats. Please note 1 of the following: level 1 std. vinyl or level 3.5 mor-care vinyl, or level 4 leathermate. (3.5 and 4 hold up very well)
- Request seatbelts to be specified as usr belts. This way everyone bids seatbelts with the retractors mounted underneath the seats.
- Request seats to be required to have aisle side armrests.

Answer: 5.1 Specifications, Pg. 13

- 1. If possible change 1 single foldaway to either 2 single foldaway or 1 double foldaway seat
- 2. Good with recommend verbiage, however we do not NEED aisle side sliders
- 3. We can go with 3.5 morOcare vinyl seat covering
- 4. No change
- 5. No change

Question: 5.1 Specifications, Pg. 14

- Request for A/C that minimum btu be listed at 60,000 btu's and that unit must have it's own dedicated compressor independent of the chassis supplied compressor.
- Request for heat that minimum be listed at 70,000 btu's.
- Request for lift that the lift to be a 1,000 lb capacity lift which is the highest one offered. There are lesser lifts out there but the larger lift is what I think you would want.
- Request for the wheelchair securements to be of the "slide 'n' click " design. These have become the industry leader and would be in uniformity with current fleet.

Answer: 5.1 Specifications, Pg. 14 No changes to any verbiage

Question: 7.0 Attachments, Pg. 18

Please clarify the pricing page. I think this bid is for a quantity of 5 buses. The unit price is the price per bus and the extended price is the price for all 5 buses. Correct? I'm not sure why there is 5 blocks there as this is not a multi-year contract and no one could really give a price for a multi-year contract. It's probably just an oversight but I would like clarification.

Answer: This bid is for 5 buses. There are 5 blocks that way if there are multiple brands on your bid. This is not for a multiple-year contract.

Question: How many power ports do the buses need? For the driver only, or one for every seat?

Answer: Driver only.

2. Check ONLY one of the following categories and return one properly executed copy of this addendum prior to bid opening time and date.

Bid has already been mailed. Changes resulting from this addendum are as follows:

Bid has already been mailed. NO CHANGES resulted from this addendum.

Bid has NOT been mailed and ANY CHANGES resulting from this addendum are included in our bid.

Execute Addendum:

BIDDER:

ADDRESS (CITY & STATE):

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: ______DATE: _____

NAME and TITLE:

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