

IFB 53-25-004 - ADDENDUM 1

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

INSTRUCTIONS: Please make the following change(s) in the bid referenced above.

Refer <u>ALL</u> Inquiries regarding this IFB to: Debbie Gregory Debbie.Gregory@ncports.com	Invitation For Bid # 53-25-004
	Bids will be publicly opened: January 29, 2025 @ 2:00 PM
	Contract Type: Open Market
	Commodity No. and Description: 251817, Product Material and Trailers
	Using Agency: North Carolina State Ports Authority

Execute Addendum:

BIDDER: _____

ADDRESS (CITY & STATE): _____

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

NAME and TITLE (Print): _____

QUESTIONS/ANSWERS:

1. Question - Reference 5.1 Specifications #1: Are you interested in an excess capacity?

Answer: Excess capacity over the 80,000 lb. minimum rating would be considered.

2. Question - Reference 5.1 Specifications #2: We believe a Walking Beam Suspension is the best option to keep and maintain a low deck height while limiting the amount of deflection required in Specification #6. Are 4 walking beam axles an agreeable equivalent?

Answer: If a walking beam suspension is what they propose, as referenced in 5.1 Specifications, other substantially equivalent models meeting, or exceeding specifications may be considered. Vendors are requested to offer only comparable units which will provide the features and performance needed and implied.

3. Question - Reference 5.1 Specifications #5: In order to maintain the requested deck height, the trailer must have a Gooseneck style design where the front of the trailer is elevated to allow for a reasonable king pin plate height. Otherwise, the king pin plate could be as low as 29.25". This will increase our overall length to 56.5', is this acceptable? Also, our trailers are standardly bolted connections to all for cost effective logistics, is this acceptable?

Answer: The Tender requests a trailer length not to exceed 46.5 feet. The Tender also indicates a fully welded frame.

4. Question - Reference 5.1 Specifications #6: See comments on #2 above. In order to remove "squat" we are suggesting a common suspension used in Roll Trailers, a walking beam suspension. Is this an allowable design component to remove squatting concerns?

Answer: If a walking beam suspension is what they propose, as referenced in 5.1 Specifications, other substantially equivalent models meeting, or exceeding specifications may be considered. Vendors are requested to offer only comparable units which will provide the features and performance needed and implied.

5. Question - Reference 5.1 Specifications #7: Please confirm this is NOT a DOT trailer.

Answer: This is not a DOT trailer intended for Hwy use.

6. Question - Reference 5.1 Specifications #13: We believe a Walking Beam Suspension is the best option to keep and maintain a low deck height while limiting the amount of deflection required in Specification #6. Are 4 walking beam axles an agreeable equivalent?

Answer: If a walking beam suspension is what they propose, as referenced in 5.1 Specifications, other substantially equivalent models meeting, or exceeding specifications may be considered. Vendors are requested to offer only comparable units which will provide the features and performance needed and implied.