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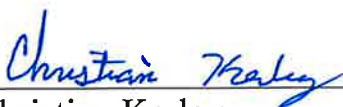
REQUEST FOR BID PROPOSALS

Sealed bids for the following item will be received by the Finance Director of Cumberland County until **October 27, 2026 at 2:00 P.M.**, local time, and publicly opened immediately thereafter on the same day:

(1) Special Education Bus

Requirements for this procurement are attached.

Any bid received after the stated time, notwithstanding, shall be rejected. Cumberland County reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids and to wave formalities and technicalities insofar as it is legally authorized to do so in the interest of the County.



Christian Kerley,
Deputy Finance Director

REQUEST FOR BID PROPOSALS

S P E C I F I C A T I O N S

SCHOOL BUS

The Government of Cumberland County, Tennessee is requesting sealed bid proposals for school buses for use by the Board of Education. All proposals must be for new equipment of current production. Used or refurbished equipment is not acceptable.

All units must meet or exceed the most recent edition of Tennessee Minimum School Bus Standards as published by the Tennessee State Board of Education.

The following buses are anticipated to be procured, subject to budgetary restraints:

One (1) – 21 + 2 w/c Passenger Special Needs Conventional School Bus

Units must be bid F.O.B. Crossville, Tennessee – properly operating and ready to place in service.

BENCHMARK

The attached specifications have been approved by the Cumberland County Board of Education and are included for reference as a benchmark of quality for school buses. These specifications are for reference as equipment that has been determined “acceptable”. The specifications are not intended to restrict or eliminate vendors from proposing other brands of equipment. Deviations from these specifications are expected. The intent is to provide a benchmark for all competitors to base their proposals on. ***PROPOSALS FROM ALL BUS MANUFACTURERS ARE ENCOURAGED AND EXPECTED.***

DELIVERY

Bidder shall state date of delivery for buses. Date of delivery will be one of the criteria in determining bid award.

WARRANTY

Vendor shall submit a complete copy of equipment warranty with bid proposal. Information must include coverage, duration and site location.

CONTRACT AWARD

If a purchase contract is awarded, the award shall be based upon the bid proposal that the County determines is in the best interest of Cumberland County in regard to product safety, performance, durability, delivery date, suitability for use by the Board of Education, cost of acquisition, warranty and cost of maintenance.

REFERENCES

Each vendor is required to submit with their proposal a list of references of current users of the equipment being proposed. The list shall consist of name, address, contact person and telephone number of the user.

CONTACT PERSON

The contact person for delivery coordination on this bid is Mrs. Kathleen Martin, Transportation Supervisor. She may be reached at (931) 484-6762 during regular business hours.

No revisions to these specifications are official unless a bid addendum is issued by the Finance Department.

SEALED BID

Bidder shall submit the **original and three (3) copies** of their bid proposal. Bid envelope shall be sealed with the name, address and telephone number of the bidder on the outside of the envelope and clearly marked: **"Sealed Bid – School Buses"** and delivered to:

Cumberland County Finance Department
Attn: Jennifer Turner, Finance Director
Cumberland County Courthouse
2 North Main Street; Suite 303
Crossville, Tennessee 38555

Bids delivered to any other department or location will not be considered. Cumberland County reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids and to waive formalities and technicalities; insofar as it is legally authorized to do so in the interest of the County.

Note: Bids may NOT be submitted via facsimile, e-mail, or other electronic media.

Conflict of Interest: Tennessee Code Annotated 5-21-121 is attached for bidders reference. Any firm, corporation, partnership, association or individual submitting a bid on this procurement affirms that they are in compliance with the State of Tennessee statute.

Investment Activities with Iran: Tennessee Code Annotated 12-12-106 is attached for bidders reference. Any firm, corporation, partnership, association or individual submitting a bid on this procurement must affirm that they are in compliance with the State of Tennessee statute.

Boycott of Israel: The Contractor certifies that it is not currently engaged in, and will not for the duration of the contract engage in, a boycott of Israel as defined by Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-4-119. This provision shall not apply to contracts with a total value of less than two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) or to contractors with less than ten (10) employees. Any firm, corporation, partnership, association or individual submitting a bid on this procurement must affirm that they are in compliance with the State of Tennessee statute.

Bumper 3/16" steel, rear	concave design
Cooling system	Radiator to have 700 square inches
Driveline	Guards around each shaft
Engine Rating	2001-21 Medium Cummins 6.7 with 5 yr warranty
Engine Type	2021 EPA certified Inline 6 cylinder diesel, turbo brake
Exhaust	Below rear bumper with inhibitor
Frame	50,000 lbs. psi, battery box shall be frame mounted
Fuel filter	Cummins spin on type at the engine
Fuel / Water separator	Detroit heated fuel/water separator
Fuel Tank	60 gal, between frame rails behind rear axle
Fuel Tank	Include fuel fill door & sender access plate at interior floor
High/low Idle switch	Dash mounted
Instruments	Speedometer, Tachometer, Voltmeter, Oil pressure, Dual air gauges
Instruments	Water temp, coolant temp, engine coolant
Instruments	Air filter restriction indicator
Shocks	Front shocks and air ride rear
Springs, front	3 leaf parabolic rated at 9,000 lbs.minimum
Springs, rear air ride	21,000 lbs.
Starting aid	Grid heater
Steering wheel	Telescopic steering column
Tires	Seven-tubeless radials 255/70R22.5 16ply, Hankook or Michelin
Tow hooks	Front and rear mounted
Transmission	Alison 2300 Series automatic, 12 speed, shift with 7 year warranty
Wheel Base	175"
Wheels	Disc hub piloted, 22.5 X 14.25 inch diameter 12 bolt hub
Wiring	Multiplex only-Color & number coded-body and chassis-CEEA+

BODY

Access Panel	Interior access panel above driver's window with latch
Air Horn	Roof mounted above driver's window
Battery Compartment	Frame mounted with roller tray
Body Mounts	Two bolts required for each body mount
Driver's Dome	All dome lights to be LED with separate switch for driver
Defroster fans	Dual 6" dash mounted fans
Door, emergency	Tinted upper & lower glass, vandal lock
Door, entrance	Outward opening, or operation with left and right side rails, vandal lock
Directional Front	Turn signals integrated into headlight housing
Driver Arm Rests	Right and left sides, folding
Driver Storage	Over driver's window
Emergency exits	2 - pull out seats with buzzers

Emergency exits	1- roof hatch, must be Escape Advantage brand
Flooring	Composite aisle trim
Flooring	No rear wheelhousings-flat floor
Headroom	
Headlining	
Heaters	91,000 BTU front w/ removable filter
Heaters	84,000 BTU rear w/ removable filter behind rear axle
Heaters	Blue stripe heater hoses minimum
Heaters	Dash mounted water regulator valve
Heaters	Dual heater cut off valves
Identification	6" Black letters, both sides-CUMBERLAND COUNTY SCHOOLS
Identification	6" numbers, sides, front, rear
Insulation	2" thick insulation in roof, front, rear, and side walls R value=6.0
Insulation	1/2" rubber sound absorbing foam installed under driver toeboard
Lights	Interior dome lights, dual rows-all LED, stepwell light-LED
Lights	Halogen headlights, wig-wag, alarm, LED crossmember back up
Lights	Eight way warning lights, stop, tail, reverse lights-LED
Lights	Clearance & Cluster lights to be flush mounted LED
Lights	Amber daytime running lights, LED side directionals, monitor
Mirrors	Interior - 6" X 30" non-glare
Mirrors	All exterior mirrors to be heated and meet FMVSS
Mud Flaps	Front and Rear
Paint	Yellow with black rubrails, white roof
Parts Report	Copy of complete Bus Parts printout available on-line at no charge
Reflective Tape	"SCHOOL BUS" front and rear caps to be reflective
Reflective Tape	side pushout windows and rear of bus, 2" sides
Reflectors	to be mechanically attached
Roof Bows	one piece
Rub rails	provide four rubrails
Rub rails	painted black
Safety	Fire extinguisher, Seat belt cutter, Triangle Flares,
Safety	First Aid Kit, Body Fluids Clean Up Kit
Seat Frames	Frames to be powder coated
Seat Space	
Seat Barriers	3 in back of each seat
Seats / Driver	Air ride with tilt back, fabric insert, adjustable back
Seats / Driver	Lap and shoulder belt with seat warning belt indicator
Seats / Passenger	Seven 39" with 3 lap/shoulder belts per seat, 2 removeable, 1 ICS
Side Panels	Interior - Aluminized steel side walls

Solenoid	Disconnect all body circuits
Strobe	Roof mounted LED with brush guard
Stoparm	Include LED strobe lights
Vents	2 - driver's fresh air & static roof vent
Windows Passenger	Black frames with 12" x 12" x 1/4" triple panes
Windows Driver	Double sliding, aluminum sash, tempered
Windshield	one piece with tinted band, bonded in place
Windshield	2 grip handles beside windshield
Wipers	intermittent feature
Wiring	CEEA+ multiplex wiring-Color & number coded-body & chassis
Noise Suppression	Switch to cancel all noise producing accessories
Child Reminder	To meet State specs
Alarm	Backing 112 db
Document Holder	To meet State specs
Lift	Braun, meeting requirements of FMVSS 403/404
Air Conditioner	Front "in-wall, dash, and rear "in-wall" 126,000 BTU's total
Tie Downs	Three Sure-Lock retractable
Radio	AM/FM//PA, four speakers, j1939, weather band, reverse mute
Camera System	Seon two head digital to be included
Two-way radio	Installed two-way radio compatible with existing fleet
Stepwell	Black steps with LED exterior door light
Entrance Door	Nylon handle mounted to exterior door leaf

CUMBERLAND COUNTY, TENNESSEE

5-21-121. Conflicts of interest.

(a)

(1) The director, purchasing agent, members of the committee, members of the county legislative body, other officials of the county, members of the board of education, members of the highway commission, and employees of the finance department and purchasing department shall not have a direct interest in the purchase of supplies, materials, equipment, or contractual services for the county. As used in this subdivision (a)(1):

(A) "Controlling interest" means sufficient ownership in a business or company to control policy and management, including the ownership or control of the largest number of outstanding shares owned by any single individual in a business or company; and

(B) "Direct interest" means a contract with a person personally or with a business in which the person is the proprietor, a partner, or the person having the controlling interest in the business.

(2) Such persons shall not have an indirect interest in the purchase of supplies, materials, equipment, or contractual services for the county unless the person publicly acknowledges the interest. A person who is not a member of a governing body and who is required to publicly acknowledge an indirect interest must do so by reporting the interest to the office of the county mayor to be compiled into a list that must be maintained as a public record. As used in this subdivision (a)(2), "indirect interest" means a contract in which a person is interested, but not directly so, and includes contracts where the person is directly interested and is the sole supplier of goods or services in the county.

(b) No firm, corporation, partnership, association or individual furnishing any such supplies, materials, equipment or contractual services, shall give or offer nor shall the director or purchasing agent or any assistant or employee accept or receive directly or indirectly from any person, firm, corporation, partnership or association to whom any contract may be awarded, by rebate, gift or otherwise, any money or other things of value whatsoever, or any promise, obligation or contract for future reward or compensation.

Receipt is acknowledged and confirmation of compliance with the statute is hereby affirmed:

Company Name:

Authorized Representative Signature:

Print Name & Title:

Date:

*** Current through 2017 Regular Session (Chapter 493). ***

Title 12 Public Property, Printing And Contracts
Chapter 12 Iran Divestment Act

Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-106 (2017)

12-12-106. List of persons engaging in investment activities in Iran -- Ineligibility to contract with state.

(a) (1) No more than one hundred twenty (120) days after July 1, 2016, the state chief procurement officer shall publish, using credible information freely available to the public, a list of persons it determines engage in investment activities in Iran, as described in § 12-12-105. The list, when completed, shall be posted on the state's web site.

(2) The chief procurement officer shall update the list every one hundred eighty (180) days, using credible, freely available, public information regarding the persons or entities described in subdivision (a)(1).

(3) Before finalizing an initial list or an updated list, as reasonably practicable, the chief procurement officer shall do all of the following before a person is included on the list:

(A) Provide ninety (90) days' written notice of the chief procurement officer's intent to include the person on the list, if the state is reasonably able to provide the written notice by electronic communication or through the U.S. postal service. The notice shall inform the person that inclusion on the list would make the person ineligible to contract with the state. The notice shall specify that the person, if it ceases its engagement in investment activities in Iran, may be removed from the list.

(B) The chief procurement officer shall provide a person with an informal opportunity to comment in writing that it is not engaged in investment activities in Iran. If the person demonstrates to the chief procurement officer that the person is not engaged in investment activities in Iran, the person shall not be included on the list. Nothing in this section requires a contested case hearing as set forth in the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in title 4, chapter 5. A person contesting being placed on the list described in subsection (a) shall exhaust all administrative remedies provided in this section prior to the initiation of any judicial review of being placed on such list.

(4) The chief procurement officer shall make every effort to avoid erroneously including a person on the list.

(b) A person that is identified on a list created pursuant to subsection (a) as a person engaging in investment activities in Iran as described in § 12-12-105, is ineligible to contract with the state.

(c) Any contract entered into with a person that is ineligible to contract with the state shall be terminated by the state.

HISTORY: Acts 2016, ch. 817, § 1.

"By submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that each bidder is not on the list created pursuant to §12-12-106."

Company Name:

Authorized Representative Signature:

Print Name & Title:

Date:

Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-4-119

Copy Citation

Current through the 2022 Regular Session.

12-4-119. Certification that company not engaged in boycott of Israel.

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Boycott of Israel" means engaging in refusals to deal, terminating business activities, or other commercial actions that are intended to limit commercial relations with Israel, or companies doing business in or with Israel or authorized by, licensed by, or organized under the laws of the State of Israel to do business, or persons or entities doing business in Israel, when such actions are taken:

(A) In compliance with, or adherence to, calls for a boycott of Israel; or

(B) In a manner that discriminates on the basis of nationality, national origin, religion, or other unreasonable basis, and is not based on a valid business reason;

(2) "Company" means a for-profit or not-for-profit organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, or other entity or business association, including all wholly owned subsidiaries, majority-owned subsidiaries, parent companies, or affiliates of those entities or business associations;

(3) "Israel" means the State of Israel and Israeli-controlled territories; and

(4) "Public entity" means this state or any political subdivision thereof, including all boards, commissions, agencies, institutions, authorities, counties, municipalities, and other bodies politic and corporate of this state, created by or in accordance with state law or rule.

(b) A public entity shall not enter into a contract with a company to acquire or dispose of services, supplies, information technology, or construction unless the contract includes a written certification that the company is not currently engaged in, and will not for the duration of the contract engage in, a boycott of Israel.

(c) This section does not apply to a contract with a total potential value of less than two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) or to contractors with less than ten (10) employees.

(d) A contract entered into on or after July 1, 2022, that fails to comply with this section is void.

(e) The commissioner of finance and administration or the commissioner's designee may promulgate rules to implement this section so long as the rules are consistent with this section and do not create exceptions to it.

(f) This section does not diminish or infringe upon a right protected under the constitution of this state or the first amendment to the constitution of the United States.

(g) This section must not be construed to conflict with local, state, or federal discrimination laws.

Boycott of Israel. The Contractor certifies that it is not currently engaged in, and will not for the duration of the contract engage in, a boycott of Israel as defined by Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-4-119. This provision shall not apply to contracts with a total value of less than two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) or to contractors with less than ten (10) employees.

Company Name:

Authorized Representative Signature:

Print Name & Title:

Date:
