

## **Expression of Interest – Snow Blower/Snow Thrower**

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) is contemplating the purchase of 9 snow blowers (or snow throwers) capable of clearing snow from the track beds and third rail. This equipment shall have the capability to evacuate snow from both ends of the equipment. The chute shall be adjusted to blow the snow to either the left or the right side of the tracks. As a minimum the snow blower/thrower shall meet the following requirements:

- Fits within the WMATA vehicle dynamic envelop (see attached drawings)
- Must not exceed WMATA weight limit of 120,000 lbs.(see attached drawings)
- Must meet WMATA's standards of weight distribution (maximum 30,000 lbs. per axle) (see attached drawings)
- Capable of removing 3-6 inches of wet snow at a minimum of 10 mph
- Capable of excavating snow from track bed and 3<sup>rd</sup> rail simultaneously

WMATA is also interested in additional capabilities, features and/or different configurations of the snow blower/thrower not listed above.

The supplier will be responsible for providing the snow blower/thrower, related items, manuals, and necessary training regarding maintenance and operations.

Interested offerors shall provide information regarding products and services related to the snow blower/thrower including brochures, specifications, and cut-sheets. WMATA is interested to learn of product offerings such as model numbers and specific capabilities of each model. In addition, interested offerors shall provide a capability statement of their experience in successfully providing snow blowers/throwers to other transit agencies or railroads. The capability statement shall include the name and address of the transit agency or railroad, a brief description of the equipment provided, and a contact person's name and telephone number from the transit agency or railroad

Please forward the above information along with your company's name, address, point of contact, telephone number, and email address no later than November 9, 2016 to Fred Voellm, Contract Administrator, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, Office of Procurement and Materials, 600 5<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Room 301-G, Washington, DC 20001. For questions, please email [fvoellm@wmata.com](mailto:fvoellm@wmata.com) or call 202-962-2485.

Information submitted will be reviewed by WMATA engineering staff. WMATA may meet with individual offerors to discuss and review the information provided. If WMATA decides to proceed with procurement of the snow blower/thrower, a formal solicitation will be issued.