M E M O R A N D U M



DATE: July 14, 2017

FROM: PRMT – Tamika Stidham

TO: Bidders

Clarifications - Refer to IFB FQ17154:

The following questions were submitted WMATA. The appropriate response is listed below each question:

1. On the Solicitation offer schedule, what quantity of items should be offered?

Response: This is a requirements contract which means quantities listed are estimates only. We estimate that we will order 200 driver protection shields during the base year which will be shipped within 8 shipments. If we exercise Option Year 1 of the contract, we estimate that we will require 151 driver protection shields and estimate that they'll be delivered in 6 shipments.

2. I want to confirm that there is no SBE goal for the FQ17154 contract, and that the documents listed in Appendix B-1 are not mandatory to include with the proposal.

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority **Response:** The opening letter (page 7 of 162 of the PDF solicitation document) states that this IFB contains a 3% DBE goal. The documents in Appendix B-1 **are mandatory** to include in the bid. Failure to complete the documents will make your bid non-responsive.

3. I would like to request a (2) week extension to the bid due date in order to finalize arrangements with DBE vendors that are required for this contract.

Response: No extension will be granted at this time.

4. Will there be a public Bid Opening for IFP FQ17154 Driver Protection Shields. Where and when will be the Public Bid Opening?

Response: Yes. It will occur at WMATA's Jackson Graham Building 600 5th

5. Please clarify if the 3% DBE participation is a requirement of the Bid in order to be considered a responsive bidder for IFB FQ 17154 OR Is the 3% DBE participation only a GOAL of WMATA for IFB FQ 17154?

Response: The 3% DBE goal in the bid is required in order to be considered a responsive bidder.

- 6. Please Clarify Paragraph 23b (page 14).
- (a) Does WMATA plan to award all of the estimated 351 DPS (to be installed in the New Flyer LFA buses) to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder?
- (b) Does WMATA plan to award the 351 DPS to multiple bidders? What criteria will WMATA use split the 351 DPS amongst multiple bidders?

Response: This is standard language that's included in our solicitations. However, only ONE bidder will be awarded a contract. Award of this contract will be made to the lowest price as stated in the price schedule, to the bidder whose bid is judged to be responsive to the terms of the solicitation and who demonstrates the contracting officer's satisfaction that it is responsible for purposes of award of this contract.

7. The Bid sheet under Schedule says in small print "(see continuation of schedule on Page 22)". Please clarify if you mean page 19 beginning with Type of Business Organization.

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8. Does our product have to meet each technical specifications and each performance and acceptance criteria or can we ask for an exception if our product achieves the same performance but in a different fashion?.

Response: Yes. Bids must meet each technical specification and each performance and acceptance criteria.