

KPTA/RTEC Bid # 8

8 Ambulatory and 1 Wheelchair Tie-Down Converted Window Van

Clarifications, Exceptions and Approved Equals

**Invitation for Bids (IFB)**

**B.2 Delivery and Acceptance**

**B.2.1 Delivery of the vehicle is to be completed within 120 days after receipt of acceptance of the bidder's offer by the purchaser.**

Q. Ford has experienced significant delays in producing and shipping the Ford Transit Van due to increased demand for both the product and then increased demand for rail shipments. Typically, it is taking Ford approximately 140 calendar days to deliver the van to the conversion upfitter and then another 60 days to complete the upfit and deliver it to the end user. We would request approval to extend the delivery to 200 days or 60 days after the upfitter receives the van from Ford. **BIDDER SPECIFIES DELIVERY TIME ON THE BID PROPOSAL FORM AND COMMUNICATED TO THE PURCHASER**

**Description: Pg. 1: Altoona test results required to be furnished as a part of the bid.**

Q. Bus testing is not required for this vehicle since it qualifies as an unmodified mass-produced van. When the modifications/upfit are performed in compliance with Ford's Vehicle Modification Guidelines, then the Bus Testing Regulation (49 CFR Part 665) would be considered exempt from the Altoona test (See attached #4 Altoona Test Letter). We would request that you delete this requirement pertaining to the vans. **APPROVED as Altoona Test is Not required**

**Dimensions: Pg.2: Overall Exterior Length 238" and Overall Height 100.8".**

Q: If it is KPTA's intent to receive bids on a medium roof Ford Transit please lower the minimum requirements to a 235.5" exterior length and a 99.2" roof height. Please refer to attached #1 from Transit Sourcebook. **APPROVED**

**Heating: Pg.4: Auxiliary heater: (35,000 BTU minimum) in passenger compartment.**

Q: Is it KPTA's intent to add an additional aftermarket rear heater or to use the Ford OEM rear heater. **Use Ford OEM Rear Heater**

**Fresh Air Intake: Pg.4: Requesting high output type heater and defroster with front and rear vents.**

Q. There are no rear vents on the Ford Transit. We request that you eliminate rear vents for defrosting from the specifications? **Acknowledged for next KPTA Bid**

**Door Steps. Pg.5: In body, conformed steps for side entrance.**

Q. Is this spec referring to steps that are cut into and welded to the body? If so, this is not possible with the sliding door that comes standard on the Transit van. Will KPTA accept a running board as equal? **APPROVED**

**Floor Covering: Pg.5: Floor covering shall be slip resistant vinyl flooring, constructed with aluminum oxide, silicon carbide, quartz and multiple colored PVC chip blended throughout a high-quality vinyl wear surface for better depth perception for sight impaired (top coating is not acceptable). Bacteriostats will be incorporated providing all exposed surfaces with excellent anti-bacterial properties. Minimum thickness of 2.2 millimeters (combination of flooring and backing material will not be accepted). Altro trans floor or approved equal**

Q. Will KPTA approve the Gerflor Tarabus flooring as an approved equal to Altro flooring? Please review Gerflor attachments #2 and #3. **Follow Bid Specifications**

**Electrical System: Pg. 6A: The supplemental wiring harnesses, junctions, fuses and circuit breakers shall be coded and grouped together and accessible from a lockable access box mounted near the driver's seat.**

Q. Section A requires a lockable access box for additional wiring. The only wiring that we add is the power cable for the wheelchair lift and we are unable to locate it in a lockable box. We would ask that this section be deleted. **Acknowledged for next KPTA Bid**

**Base Bid price options. Pg.11: Option 2. Powered driver seat.**

Q. A powered driver seat is only available in cloth or leather upholstery. Is option #6, "Vinyl Driver Seat" referring to the additional cost to recover the optional power seat? **Vinyl Driver Seat is referring to recover the optional power seat**

**Base Bid price options. Pg.11: Option 3. Upgrade wheelchair lift.**

Q. Do you want the upgrade to be an increase in lifting capacity from 800 pounds to 1000 pounds? **The intent is to upgrade from an 800# lift to a 1000# lift**

**Base Bid price options. Pg.11: Option 7. Vinyl graphics specified by purchaser.**

Q. There are many factors used to determine the cost for graphics. Can KPTA be more specific in describing what is wanted for this option? **Graphics to be chosen by individual agencies if they choose option. Price as quote basis.**

**Base Bid price options. Pg.11: Option 16. OEM Passenger Seats.**

Q. OEM seats do not meet your specifications as they are not available with padded grab handles on the top of each seat. Please delete this as an available option. **Mark as N/A**

**Base Bid price options. Pg.11: Option 17. Fender Mounted Key Storage Tube**

Q. Please provide the manufacturer and model number for the Fender Mounted Key Storage Tube. **An example of the fender key mounted storage tube can be found using this website. <http://suprasystems.com/Products/Pages/Elante.aspx>**

**Base Bid price options. Pg.11: Option 18. 4 Camera Surveillance Camera System and option 19. 8 Camera Surveillance Camera System**

Q. There are a number of digital video cameras available as well as various memory systems using both hard drives and SD cards. Can KPTA be more specific regarding the camera systems and where the cameras are to be located? **IF OPTION DOES NOT APPLY TO YOUR BID MARK AS N/A**