

(Questions)					
Project Name:		Alabama A&M University - Invitation to Bid (ITB) - 2K23-01B			
Due Date		5/1/2023 @ 2pm CST			
Questions Due		ASAP			
Qty:		One (1) NEW Lite to Medium Duty Electric Transit Bus under 31ft. with guaranteed delivery within 12 months with an option to purchase an additional bus as funds become available.]			
Proposed Models		RIDE (BYD) Model TBD			
Contract Start Date		TBD			
#	Page #	RFP Section	RFP Requirement	RIDE Questions	Alabama Response
1	NA	2. MODEL, MAIN SIZES AND DIMENSIONS	2.3. Width: Maximum 97in; (without side mirrors)	RIDE would like to clarify that our bus width is 102in without side mirrors. RIDE requests approval	Please submit in proposal
2	NA	2. MODEL, MAIN SIZES AND DIMENSIONS	2.3. Height: Maximum 129 in(with A/C/battery pack)	RIDE would like to clarify that the bus height is 134in with A/C/battery pack. RIDE requests approval	Please submit in proposal
3	NA	3.2. Energy Storage System (ESS) Battery	3.2.5. The time needed to reach from 0% to 80% state of charge should not exceed 120 minutes on a 50KW DC charging station and should also have lower AC charging capabilities.	RIDE would like to clarify that 50KW DC can charge 32% SOC with 120minutes as the total battery capacity is 348kWh. RIDE requests approval	Please submit in proposal
4	NA	4.2. Axles	4.2.1. Front: Suspension System with anti-roll bar in order to increase the handling behavior. Independent Suspension	RIDE would like to clarify that front axle is ZF axle and the suspension system is ZF air suspension system. However, it is not independent suspension. RIDE requests approval.	Please submit in proposal
5	NA	ALABAMA A&M UNIVERSITY	5.1: The bus is to be equipped with: dual-circuit air and electro-mechanical brake system with regenerative braking, Anti-lock Braking System (ABS), Anti-Slip Regulation (ASR), and Electronic Braking System (EBS).	RIDE would like to clarify that currently EBS is not available on bus. RIDE requests approval.	Please submit in proposal
6	NA	1. REQUIREMENT	1. Requirement	Will the University consider accepting an electronic submission via email?	Emailed proposals will not be accepted
7	NA	1. REQUIREMENT	#18. Bids/Proposals are Public Records	Since the response is a public response is the bidder allowed to provide confidential information and thus label them as such to prevent publication?	must be marked as confidential
8	NA	1. REQUIREMENT	#4 Bid Bonds & #14 Bonds	How long will the bond be required?	Unitl project is completed
9	NA	1. REQUIREMENT	#4 Bid Bonds & #14 Bonds	Please provide details on how the bonds will be released?	??
10	NA	1. REQUIREMENT	#4 Bid Bonds & #14 Bonds	Will the agency accept an accord certificate in lieu of an insurance letter to satisfy the RFP requirement?	Yes

11	NA	1. REQUIREMENT	#4 Bid Bonds & #14 Bonds	Will the University consider removing this requirement?	No
12	NA	1. REQUIREMENT	General	Will the bidder be required to have a business registration with the State of Alabama in order to submit a proposal or will it be require upon notice of award?	no
13	NA	1. REQUIREMENT	General	How many calendar days does the University requires the bid proposal response to remain valid for once the bid response is received by the University?	30 days
14	NA	1. REQUIREMENT	General	When is the opening date of the Bid response?	May 1st, 2023
15	NA	1. REQUIREMENT	11. Non-Collusion	Will the University provide a form for this requirement or must the bidder provide this form?	Bidder provides
16	NA	1. REQUIREMENT	11. Non-Collusion	Must this requirement be submitted with the response?	Yes
17	NA	5. GENERAL	Request for Formal Bid	Please clarify what the REQUEST FOR FORMAL BID document should be used for, or is it just a reference document?	reference document
18	NA	5. GENERAL	Disclosure Statement	Can the University provide a clearer copy of the Disclosure Statement?	https://www.alabamaag.gov/Documents/files/File-AL-Vendor-Disclosure-Statement.pdf
19	NA	5. GENERAL	Disclosure Statement	Is the Disclosure Statement required with the Bid Response?	yes
20	NA	1. REQUIREMENT	#5. Award	In accordance with Under Ala.Code § 41.16-57 (b) is the University indicating here that there is a 10% DBE requirement of local vendors or national vendors?	no
21	NA	1. REQUIREMENT	Required Forms	Will the University please confirm that the only forms required for submission are the following forms. 1) Bidder W-9 Form; 2) University Disclosure Statement; 3) University questionnaire; 4) Contractor's E-Verify Clause & 5) Affidavit and Proof of Citizenship <u>Demonstration & Declaration.</u>	required documents are identified in the bid; proof of e-verify as well
22	NA	1. REQUIREMENT	#16. Bid/Proposal Terms	Can the University provide a price form or can the bidder provide their own pricing form?	bidder provides