

Anderson County Government

Request for Bids

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Bid #2516

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Bids will be received until
2:30 p.m. Eastern Time on November 21, 2024

Sealed bids are subject to the General Terms and Conditions of this bid, and any other data attached or incorporated by reference. Bids will be received in the Anderson County Purchasing Office until the date and time specified above, and at that time publicly opened and read aloud.

ANDERSON COUNTY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO WAIVE ANY INFORMALITIES
IN OR TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS AND TO ACCEPT THE BID DEEMED
FAVORABLE AND IN THE BEST INTEREST OF ANDERSON COUNTY.


Robert J. Holbrook, Director of Finance

BID DESCRIPTION

Bid for Type II Ambulance.

Bidders are to provide one original and one copy.

Bids must be in sealed envelopes with the Bid number clearly listed on the envelope.

Performance bonds are required for bids over \$100,000.

Questions are to be emailed to purchasing@andersoncountyttn.gov and kleehammer@andersoncountyttn.gov.

Anderson County, Tennessee: Bid Specifications

Purchaser reserves the right to reject any and all bids and may award based upon most compliant bidder to this specification. Not subjected to lowest cost bidder. Great time and effort by this department has been invested to develop the specification that best meets the needs of this department. Bidder may not take exception out of convenience.

The following questions shall be completed by the bidder with the understanding that false or misleading information will be grounds for rejection of your bid.

Project completion date shall be _____ working days from clean order.

Has the bidder taken any exceptions to the specifications? YES ___ NO ___

Are all deviations from specifications explained as required? YES ___ NO ___

Selling Company Name: _____

Manufacturer: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Signature Authorized Representative: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____ Telephone Number: _____

1. GENERAL

1.01 Scope

The ambulance specification documented here establishes requirements for a new automotive emergency medical services (EMS) ground vehicle used for out-of-hospital medical care and patient transport. The term *new* as applied in this standard is intended to refer to the original construction of an ambulance using all new materials and parts. Bidders shall not propose ambulances that are refurbished or remounted.

1.02 Purpose

The purpose of this document is to specify the purchaser's requirements, performance parameters, and essential criteria for the design of this ambulance.

1.03 Application

This specification shall apply to vehicles intended for primary use of emergency operations, but will be used in both emergency and non-emergency operations.

1.04 Equivalency

This specification is intended to provide the bidder the guidelines and parameters of the ambulance to be purchased. Many of the components specified here can be procured from common vendors. In those instances, the model or brand specified shall be used. The bidder is encouraged to propose a like model for those items in this specification which they cannot comply to. Alternative construction and design methods detailed by the bidder shall not be cause for automatic rejection. The specification for this ambulance has a desired level of quality and workmanship. In instances where exceptions and clarifications are necessary, detailed descriptions and photographs may be used.

1.05 Exceptions

Each section requiring a response shall be marked by the bidder to acknowledge acceptance and compliance to the specification. Should the bidder choose not to comply with the specified requirements, the bidder shall disclose to the purchaser what they are offering in comparison. Exceptions to the proposal shall be documented in a centralized location in the bid proposal. The exceptions section of the proposal shall include the section heading, the page number and a detailed description of what shall be proposed by the bidder. Bidders taking 'total exception' shall not be allowed and will be considered unresponsive as this disregards the purchasers request of a comparable product.

1.06 Drawings

The ambulance proposal shall include computer aided design (CAD) drawings for the model specified here. Two dimensions (2D) sales drawings shall be acceptable for this proposal. The bidder shall not accept standard model or generic drawings as these are not an accurate depiction of the vehicle specified. Drawings provided "upon request" shall not be permitted by the purchaser.

1.07 Referenced Publications

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

1.12 Warranty

The manufacturer shall include documentation of all warranties pertaining to the new ambulance. Each warranty shall be specifically detailed and shall describe what exactly is covered under the specified warranty. Warranties must be described and detailed in exact times (e.g. years, months, days).

- Module Structure: _____
- Paint: _____
- Electrical: _____
- Materials and Workmanship: _____
- OEM Materials: _____

A written statement of each of the manufacturer's warranties shall be provided with this bid proposal.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

1.13 Documentation

All documentation delivered with the ambulance shall either be printed format, electronic format, audiovisual format or any combination of these forms of media. The documentation shall be provided in a centralized manual, binder, USB flash drive, or CD. All documentation shall be clearly labeled and shall be easy for the purchaser to review as necessary.

The ambulance manufacturer shall deliver with the ambulance at least one (1) copy of the following documents:

1. The manufacturer's record of ambulance construction details, including the following information:
 - a. Owner's name and address
 - b. Ambulance manufacturer, model, and serial number
 - c. Chassis make, model, and VIN
 - d. GAWR of front and rear axles and GVWR
 - e. Front tire size and total rated capacity in pounds (kilograms)
 - f. Rear tire size and total rated capacity in pounds (kilograms)
 - g. Engine make, model, serial number, rated horsepower and torque
 - h. Type of fuel and fuel tank capacity
 - i. Electrical system voltage and alternator output in amps
 - j. Battery make, model, and capacity in cold cranking amps (CCA)
 - k. Chassis transmission make, model, and serial number
 - l. Ratios of all driving axles
 - m. Maximum governed road speed
 - n. Paint manufacturer and paint number(s)
 - o. Company name and signature of responsible company representative
 - p. Documents from a certified scale showing curb weight on the front axle and rear axle(s) (done after construction is completed, and without personnel and equipment)

2. Certification of compliance of the optical warning system
3. Siren manufacturer's certification of the siren
4. Written load analysis and results of the electrical system performance tests
5. Certification of slip resistance of all exterior stepping, standing, and walking surfaces

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

1.14 Operations and Service Documentation

The manufacturer shall deliver with the ambulance at least one (1) set of complete owner/operator manuals. These manuals shall also include service documentation covering the completed ambulance as delivered and accepted.

The owner/operator manual shall include the inspection, service, and operations of the ambulance of all major components thereof. The documentation listed here shall be for each ambulance delivered and shall contain the following information:

1. Manufacturer's name and address
2. Country of manufacture
3. Source for service and technical information
4. Parts replacement information
5. Descriptions, specifications, and ratings of the chassis
6. Wiring diagrams for low voltage and line voltage ambulance-specific systems to include the following information:
 - a. Pictorial representations of circuit logic for all electrical components and wiring
 - b. Circuit identification
 - c. Connector pin identification
 - d. Zone location of electrical components
 - e. Safety interlocks
 - f. Alternator–battery power distribution circuits
 - g. Input/output assignment sheets or equivalent circuit logic implemented in multiplexing systems
7. Lubrication charts
8. Operating instructions for the chassis, any major components
9. Instructions regarding the frequency and procedure for recommended maintenance
10. Overall ambulance operating instructions
11. Safety considerations
12. Limitations of use
13. Inspection procedures
14. Recommended service procedures
15. Troubleshooting guide
16. Ambulance body, chassis, and other component manufacturer's warranties
17. Special data required by this standard
18. Material safety data sheet (MSDS) for any fluid that is specified for use on the ambulance

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

1.15 Certification and Payload Signage

The complete ambulance shall have a certification and payload label. This label shall be mounted on the body (module) interior in a conspicuous location. The completed ambulance shall have a payload calculation form.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

1.16 Dimension Labeling

The completed ambulance manufacturer shall provide a high-visibility label showing the dimensions of the ambulance and the GVWR of the competed vehicle. This label shall be located in a location easily found by the driver.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

1.17 Component Protection

All manufacturer or supplier supplied hose lines, air system tubing and electrical harnesses shall be mechanically attached to the frame or body structure of the ambulance. All exposed tubing, electrical wiring and hoses shall be contained in a loom or an insulated covering on both the exterior and interior of the ambulance. Where hoses and electrical wiring looms are passing through metal edges; a protective grommet shall be installed in the hole to prevent premature wear on the loom or hose. Exposed wires and hoses shall not be permitted as this poses a potential hazard and could cause premature failure of critical components on the completed ambulance.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

1.18 Personnel Protection

Protection in the form of guards and shields shall be provided on the completed ambulance to prevent injury of personnel by temperature sensitive, moving, or rotating parts during non-maintenance operations. Access to these areas shall be restricted yet still accessible for qualified technicians to perform maintenance when necessary.

Electrical insulation or isolation shall be provided on all electrical components to prevent electrical shock from onboard electrical systems. Electrical systems and wiring shall be properly secured in the electrical control panel to prevent accidental entry or storage in these areas.

The completed ambulance shall be free of sharp edges and protrusions that could injure during routine maintenance or while the vehicle is in motion.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

1.19 Liability

The bidding manufacturer shall furnish a Certificate of Insurance showing an aggregate of liability insurance which shall not be less than five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00). This general liability Certificate of Insurance shall be provided by the manufacturer's insurer.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

1.20 Service Parts and Warranty Capability

It is a high priority to the purchaser to be able to maintain our fleet and minimize critical failure issues and have access to quick repairs. To assist in prompt repairs to our fleet successful vendor must have established procedures and process for handling service needs that would be considered warranty work, or manufacturer defect. Those procedures and processes are to be provided with the bid response. To include contact methods and information if repairs are requested.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

Bidder must be recognized as the authorized provider of ambulances and service for the purchaser's state, where applicable.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

2 TEST AND CERTIFICATION

2.01 Testing Requirements

The bidding manufacturer shall be capable of passing testing certifications for North America. All testing performed shall meet or exceed the highest requirement set forth in any of the North American standards listed here. The manufacturer shall be able to provide testing or certification results for the following requirements.

Copies of testing documentation and certification for the Ambulance Manufacturers Division of the National Truck Equipment Association (**AMD**) requirements shall be provided with this proposal:

Copies of different vehicle certifications for the following vehicle specifications shall be provided with this proposal:

- **KKK**: Federal Specification for the Star of Life Ambulance (KKK-A-1822)
- **FMVSS**: US Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards and Regulations
- **DOT**: US Department of Transportation

Any manufacturer who exceeds these specifications is welcomed to provide data. However, it needs to be useful in the application of the purchaser to be considered a plus.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement?

Y___ N___

2.02 Certification Documents

Certification letters submitted for the ambulance model, components, and equipment being certified shall contain the following information on contractor's letterhead stationery in electronic format (pdf files):

1. To whom certifying
2. Date
3. Units or items
4. Contractor and address
5. Date product tested
6. Model number and specification data
7. Applicable specification references and test requirement
8. Summary of the test report
9. A certifying statement with official signature by a recognized and certified engineer

The testing documentation for each certification shall include the following supportive verification data and information on letterhead stationery in electronic format (pdf files):

1. For whom tested
2. Report date
3. Name of sample product or device
4. Contractor's address
5. Serial and model number(s)
6. Specification referral and amendment number(s), and test requirement(s)
7. Test facilities used and location
8. Test equipment used
9. Test procedure
10. Test results
11. Verifying test data
12. Photographs
13. Test conclusion(s)
14. Witness(es)
15. Authorized signature

Certification documentation shall be delivered with the ambulance, including results of the certification tests. Each model the manufacturer offers shall be tested and certified. The purchaser will not accept testing certification on the largest model size as a "blanket certification" for all models without detailed justification and/or calculation. A testing equivalency can only be used if a signed & approved letter is provided, explaining the build philosophy and testing requirements proving the test equivalency.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written?

Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement?

Y___ N___

3. CHASSIS

3.01 Model

Dodge Ram Promaster 3500 high roof 159" wheelbase.

3.02 GVWR

9,350 lbs.

3.03 Paint

OEM Bright White

3.04 Interior Color

Pewter Cloth

3.05 Seating

Black 6-way manual driver and passenger

3.06 Equipment packages

Preferred Equipment Package (22A)

Upfitter Electronic Module (VSIM)

3.07 Mirrors

Power folding heated mirrors

3.08 Radio

AM/FM Stereo

3.09 Engine

Gas 3.6L V6 24-valve VVT

3.10 Transmission

9-speed 948TE Automatic Transmission

3.11 Alternator

Single Heavy Duty 220-amp

3.12 Batteries

Dual Heavy-Duty Batteries

3.13 Tires

LT225/75R16

Full size spare tire

3.14 Wheels

16" silver alloy wheels

3.15 Brakes

Four-wheel disc with anti-lock

3.16 Axle

Axle Limited-Slip Ratio 4.08

3.17 Suspension

Front- Independent McPherson Strut w/Stabilizer Bar
Rear- Leaf Springs w/heavy-duty gas shock absorbers

3.18 Steering

Power Rack and Pinion with tilt and telescopic column

3.19 Cab Flooring

OEM black vinyl mat

3.20 Emissions

50 state emissions

3.21 Fuel Tank

24 US Gallons

3.22 Additional Options/Features

Rear Heater – A/C Prep Package
Cruise Control
(2) Additional, (4) Total Keys
Front License Plate Bracket
Engine Block Heater
Power Equipment Door Locks and Windows, w/Remote Keyless Entry
Premium Appearance Group
Rear Hinged Doors with Fixed Glass
Pass Sliding Door with Window

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

4. VEHICLE FEATURES

4.01 High Idle Device

A high idle or throttle to engine speed auxiliary control device (high idle switch or throttle) shall be installed to allow an increase in the engine speed when the ambulance is parked. The high idle shall be automatically engaged when the ambulance parking brake is engaged with the transmission in park. The high idle shall deactivate when the vehicle’s parking brake is removed or the brake is applied.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

4.02 Running Boards

Running boards shall be installed on both sides of the vehicle. The driver’s side shall be just below the driver’s entry door and the passenger side shall be full length from the cab entry door to below the curbside sliding entry door. They shall be constructed of a sure grip material no less than 7” wide with machine punched holes to facilitate water and debris runoff. Aluminum mud flaps and brackets shall be added for reinforcement and prevent road debris intrusion.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

4.03 Front Bumper

The chassis manufacturers OEM front bumper shall be furnished at the front of the chassis.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

4.04 Rear Step Bumper

An OEM rear step bumper with fixed stepping surface shall be installed on the rear of the vehicle. The structure is to be bolted to the chassis for easy replacement and adjustment.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

5. DRIVERS' COMPARTMENT

5.01 Reading Lamp

There shall be a reading lamp installed in the headliner above the passenger seat. Reading lamp shall have both day and night light setting.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

5.02 Hand spotlight

The ambulance shall have a 400,000 CP hand spotlight in the front cabin. It shall be secured to the floor or wall with a thermoformed bracket.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

5.03 Back-up camera

The ambulance shall have a back-up camera with a minimum 5'' display in the driver's compartment. It shall have a night vision mode to allow for clear viewing at night. It shall automatically switch the display when the vehicle is put in reverse.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

6. BODY FEATURES

6.01 Curb Side Configuration

There shall be a sliding door on the curb side of the ambulance. This door shall allow for entering and exiting the patient compartment.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

6.02 Rear Configuration

There shall be two (2) pivoting doors on the rear side of the ambulance. These doors shall allow for entering and exiting the patient compartment.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

6.03 Insulation

The patient compartment shall be insulated with a vermin and mildew proof foil-backed insulation. This insulation shall be used in all areas, including the sidewalls, doors and roof. Other insulating methods may be documented and submitted. In accordance to the KKK-A-1822 Federal Ambulance Specifications all insulations shall be non-settling type, vermin-proof, mildew-proof, fire retardant, non-toxic, and non-hygroscopic.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

7. PATIENT COMPARTMENT

7.01 Construction General Guidelines

The interior of the ambulance shall be constructed in such a way that is free of sharp edges. All interior surfaces shall be easy to clean, impervious to soap, water, body fluids, disinfectants and shall be mildew resistant. Wood, or other laminated materials do not meet these specifications and shall not be utilized.

Trim pieces adjoining multiple wall surfaces are not preferred by the purchaser as this adds another crevice to keep clean and could become an unnecessary source of penetration for debris or liquids to enter. Trim molding can also contain sharp edges on the corners and could be a potential hazard.

All components installed in the ceiling shall be mounted as flush as possible and shall not protrude any further than 1/2" from the ceiling, except for the grab rails. Surface mounted components on the wall shall comply with head protection requirements and shall incorporate a protective shield or covering.

All upholstered seating surfaces shall be thermoformed and shall have no exposed stitching. Head pads and vinyl trim areas which are not seating areas shall be customized with vinyl wrapped polyurethane foam with a hard surface backing material.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

7.02 Floor

The floor shall be OEM ½” plywood floor.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

7.03 Floor Covering

Lonseal Lonplate II Gunmetal flooring shall be installed in the completed ambulance. The floor shall be rolled on and shall be adhered at every point of the floor cove giving a tight secure fit that will not bubble or prematurely tear. The floor shall be a one (1) seamless piece and shall be able to be cleaned without having to purchase special or potentially harmful cleaning agents. This floor shall cover the entire length and width of the compartment’s working area. Areas in the floor where the sidewalls and floor meet shall be sealed to prevent any blood borne pathogens from entering.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

7.04 Cabinet Construction

All cabinet structure, cabinet doors, shelves and openings described here shall be manufactured in ABS, fiberglass, or aluminum. The purchaser prefers ABS, fiberglass, and/or aluminum construction for its resiliency to harsh environments and cleaners as well as its lightweight construction. Wood construction is not allowed.

All cabinets shall be easy to clean, impervious to soap, water, body fluids, and disinfectants and shall be mildew resistant.

Cabinets with sliding windows shall have a transparent window and window track felt installed in the dedicated channels of the cabinet extrusion. The cabinet windows shall be made of 3/16” Lexan.

Laminated, or Formica-covered cabinetry will not be considered.

The purchaser will not accept prototype built models or untested construction methods used only to satisfy the detailed description of this specification. Alternative construction methods shall be detailed in the exceptions section of this bid proposal. Photographs of this construction method shall be provided to allow for adequate comparison.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

7.05 Street Side Cabinetry

The street side interior layout shall consist of the following cabinetry:

There shall be six (6) cabinets on the mid portion of the wall, and each must measure 26” wide by 9” high and 8” deep. Cabinets are to be constructed from ABS composite, or aluminum, with sliding Lexan doors with a max weight capacity of at least 30 lbs per cabinet.

There shall be one (1) cabinet above the Attendant Head seat and action area. The cabinet is to measure 26" wide by 9" high and 8" deep. Cabinet is to be constructed from ABS composite, or aluminum, with sliding Lexan doors with a max weight capacity of at least 30 lbs per cabinet.

Cabinets are to be constructed in a manner to allow a Stryker stretcher with XPS rails set at their maximum width while the stretcher is secured in the vehicle.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

7.06 Curbside Wall Cabinets

A glove box cabinet (either one (1) continuous cabinet or two (2) cabinets side by side) will be installed above the attendant seat capable of holding four glove boxes laid horizontally. Cabinet(s) are to be constructed from ABS composite, or aluminum.

Open equipment shelving at the rear of the vehicle with easy access from the front or rear of the shelving, and near the rear doors. Shelving is to be fully height adjusted and made from ABS composite, or aluminum. Shelves shall be secured by 2-inch straps or an enclosure system. There shall be a minimum of four (4) shelves with a max weight capacity of at least 30 lbs each.

Three (3) 120V duplex outlets shall be installed on the curbside wall, location to be determined at pre-construction

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

7.07 Front Wall with Sliding Window

The ambulance shall be equipped with an aluminium bulkhead wall partition or ABS composite with steel bracing. It shall be positioned between the driver and the patient's compartment, towards the front, allowing enough space to recline the front seats. A sliding or flip up window shall be installed above the rear attendant seat, centered on the bulkhead wall.

A floor level cabinet shall be provided behind the airway seat, this cabinet shall be capable of housing:

1. Stair chair drawer which shall slide out fully with a Stryker stair chair.
2. The main oxygen tank, which shall be laid transversely across the vehicle in a locking bracket, capable of carrying an M, H, or K tank.
3. Full transverse compartment capable of holding two long spine boards.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

7.08 Curbside Captain Seat

In lieu of a squad bench, an EVS thermoformed 3-point safety belt seat shall be installed. The seat shall be able to rotate. There is to be a minimum of seven and one half (7.5)) inches between the installed stretcher and the attendant seat when facing forward. There is to be a minimum of six (6) inches between the attendant seat when facing the stretcher, when the bottom seat is in the down position.

An auxiliary control console will be installed near the attendant seat with the necessary controls for all patient compartment equipment, to include:

1. Rear heat and AC controls with digital interior temperature display
2. Patient compartment lights, bank 1
3. Patient compartment lights, bank 2
4. Suction pump
5. Patient compartment exhaust
6. Patient status indicator (intercodes, red, yellow, green)

The purchaser will not accept prototype built models or untested construction methods used only to satisfy the detailed description of this specification. Alternative construction methods shall be detailed in the exceptions section of this bid proposal. Photographs of this construction method shall be provided to allow for adequate comparison. Testing documents of the exact sliding seat configuration, installed in the same module, shall be provided.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

7.09 Curbside Attendant Seat Cabinet

A cabinet will be installed on the lower section of the wall or the floor towards the front of the attendant seat area. It shall include two (2) drawers with latch system, one (1) pull out countertop with lip around the edges, and bottom compartment for a sharps container and waste basket. The top of the cabinet is to be reinforced to accommodate a Technimount Pro Serie 35 cardiac monitor mounting system. Max dimensions are to be 22” wide (sticking out from the wall) by 30” tall by 16” deep.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

7.10 Attendant’s Airway Seat with Child Safety Device

An automotive style thermoformed seamless attendant’s seat shall be installed at the head of the cot. The attendant’s seat shall have a three-point seatbelt. The attendant shall have front to back travel feature with incrementally locking stages. An integrated fold down 5-point child safety seat shall be incorporated into this seat. The child seat shall meet and exceed all testing requirements.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

7.11 Overhead Grab Rail

One (1) 60" overhead Yellow grab rail shall be mounted in the patient compartment ceiling. The grab rail shall be securely fastened to the roof structure in the patient compartment ceiling at each mounting location. The grab rail shall be at least 1" in diameter.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

7.12 Additional Handrails

Two (2) additional Yellow handrails shall be mounted in the patient compartment, one (1) right of rear access door and one (1) right of side access door. These additional grab handles shall be positioned in a location that is easy for the attendant to grip when entering the vehicle, and shall be a minimum of 12" in length.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

7.13 IV Holder

Two (2) recessed mounted IV hangers specifically designed for holding IV containers shall be installed, including hook and loop straps to adequately secure an IV bag/bottle. The IV holder shall recess into the ceiling creating minimal protrusion into the patient compartment when not in use.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

7.14 Patient Cot Retention

The patient compartment shall be equipped with a Stryker Power Load floor plate with inductive charging wiring. The cot mount shall be securely bolted through tapped 1/2" 6061-T6 aluminum reinforcement plates meeting Stryker installation specifications. The Stryker Power Load equipment will be provided by purchaser.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

7.15 Fire Extinguisher

The ambulance shall have two (2) five (5) lbs ABC fire extinguishers with mounting brackets. Exact location to be determined.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

8. HVAC

8.01 General

The patient compartment HVAC system shall be controlled by the driver or the patient compartment attendant via the multiplex touch pad located in the front console or the rear switch panels.

The patient compartment temperature shall be monitored by a thermostat incorporated in the multiplexing electrical system. Additional to the three (3) preprogrammed speeds, an automatic mode shall be able to decide between heating, cooling and fan speed in function of the set temperature versus the patient compartment temperature.

Adequate room for hose connections and hose lines shall be provided when installing HVAC components. The hoses shall be protected and insulated to optimize performance and longevity. They shall also be clamped every 18” and routed without sharp bends and kinks.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

8.02 Ventilation

One (1) exhaust fan shall be installed. The fan shall allow adequate air exchange within cab and patient compartment while parked or in motion. The exhaust fan shall be controlled by the electrical system and shall operate on 3 speeds (Low, Medium and High). The exhaust vents shall exit from the street side of the vehicle.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

9. BATTERY SYSTEM, ELECTRICAL AND WIRING

9.01 Overview

A 12VDC electrical system shall be added in junction with the OEM system. They shall be isolated from each other, yet they still exchange data. This is achieved by using a multiplex system in combination with a CAN BUS connectivity between the two (2) systems.

The ambulance manufacturer shall have significant experience in installing multiplex and electrical systems. The purchaser is not interested in prototypical systems that are untested or unproven by the ambulance manufacturer. The multiplex system specified here shall be fully developed, tested. Documentation of electrical systems installed and in-service shall be provided at the purchaser’s request.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

9.02 Electronic Controller Units (ECU)

Multiplexing electrical system shall consist of solid-state electronic controller units mounted in the electrical control panel. Electronic controller units shall act as the central communications system for the entire electrical system. These electrical controller units shall command all electrical components installed by the ambulance manufacturer in the cab and in the patient compartment. Each electronic controller unit shall be self-diagnostic with easy-

to-read LED. Printed schematics of all components and wiring shall be provided with the completed ambulance.

All Electronic controller units shall be sealed in a weatherproof exterior casing. The ECUs main control panel shall be coated in weather resistant from the factory. All electronic controller units shall be installed in electrical control panel compartment for centralized location.

Electronic controller units shall be programmed using already established automotive communication language. Electronic controller units shall be programmed to communicate and receive signals in the SAE J1939 protocol via the CAN BUS connection.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

9.03 Wiring

All wiring for the electrical systems shall be stranded copper or copper alloy conductors of a gauge rated to carry 125 percent of the maximum current for which the circuit is protected. Voltage drops in all wiring from the power source to the component shall not exceed 10 percent. All circuits shall be wired in conformance with SAE J1292.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

9.04 Wiring Harness

The ambulance wiring harnesses shall be a continuous run to each electrical component. The ambulance wiring shall contain no splices in the main wiring harness. The terminals on connectors of each end shall be machined crimped. Hand crimped electrical connectors are not permitted by the purchaser as they have been proven to be prone to premature failure and/or irregularities.

All ambulance wiring harnesses shall be enclosed in a plastic loom. This loom shall run from the electronic controller units to each specified electrical component. Instances where conduit must travel through a tube structure, a rubber grommet shall be placed in the hole to prevent premature wear of the plastic loom and/or wiring. All wiring harnesses shall be secured to the roof and walls tube structures with insulated clamping fasteners.

The overall covering of jacketed cables shall be moisture resistant and have a minimum continuous temperature rating of 194°F (90°C), except for cable installations where the wiring may be exposed to higher temperatures. All wiring connections and terminations shall use a method that provides a positive standard connection. Wiring connections and terminations shall be installed in accordance with the device manufacturer's instructions. Wire nut, insulation displacement, and insulation piercing connections shall not be used.

All connections to the electrical components shall include a minimum 6 in. service loop of. All wiring connections shall utilize easy plug in style connectors.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

9.05 Wiring Identification

All wiring shall be identified every 6" at a minimum. The wiring identification code shall indicate the position on the electronic controller unit for easy maintenance and diagnosis. Wiring identification shall be clearly visible and shall be printed on the insulated wire. No stickers will be allowed.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

9.06 Circuit Protection

Circuits shall be provided with properly rated low voltage overcurrent protective devices. Such devices shall be readily accessible and protected against heat in excess of the overcurrent device's design range, mechanical damage, and water spray. Circuit protection shall be accomplished by utilizing fuses, circuit breakers, fusible links, or solid state equivalent devices.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

9.07 Wiring Schematics

The complete set of wiring schematics shall clearly identify all wiring locations, routing, and component connection. A sample document shall be available to the purchaser on request to examine the quality of the electrical schematic. All instances of wiring not conforming to the standards established in this document shall be documented at the time of the proposal. Failure to comply with this requirement shall be cause for rejection of the proposal.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

9.08 Electric Panel

For future upgradability, one (1) extra 15 amp 12VDC circuit breaker shall be provided. It shall be wired and shall be ready for a future programmable function with the multiplexing electrical system.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

9.09 Grounding

Dedicated grounding locations for all appliances, circuits, etc. shall be supplied. Appliance mounting screws/hardware shall not be used for grounding purposes, nor shall the body of the ambulance be used as a ground location. Star washers or unapproved, untested grounding methods shall not be used.

OEM grounds shall not be used as grounding location for the conversion circuits.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

9.10 Switching Requirements

Switches, relays, terminals, and connectors shall have a direct current (dc) rating of 125 percent of maximum current for which the circuit is protected.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

9.11 Voltage Alarm

The multiplex system shall incorporate an audible voltage warning when the system voltage of any battery bank drops below 11.5VDC.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

9.12 Load Management

The multiplexing electrical system shall be programmed to automatically shed electrical load should the electrical output rating of the installed alternator drop below a programmed voltage level. Electrical components shall shed in order of priority.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

9.13 Batteries

There shall be two (2) OEM batteries. These batteries shall be linked together via an OEM controlled relay.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

10. 120VAC & 12VDC ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS AND INVERTER

10.01 Overview

The completed ambulance shall be equipped with two (2) forms of internal power sources: 120VAC and 12VDC. These internal power sources shall allow attendants in the ambulance to plug in additional accessories or to charge battery powered devices when needed.

All wiring shall be rated to handle the load of the electrical component specified. The 120VAC and 12VDC wiring and associated equipment shall be tested by the ambulance manufacturer prior to delivery. The testing criteria shall include polarity and load demand of all receptacles to verify that all wiring connections have been properly made.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

10.02 12VDC Outlets

All 12VDC power point outlets specified here shall be properly tested and shall be protected with a Schottky-style diode to isolate the medical equipment batteries from other loads. The diode shall be located in the electrical panel and shall be wired to the conversion batteries. It shall be designed to handle voltage of at least 48VDC. All wiring to the 12VDC outlets shall be clearly labeled and shall be one (1) continuous run from the diode to the outlet.

The ambulance shall be equipped with at least five (5) 12VDC “power point” style outlets. These outlets shall be breaker protected. They shall be energized when the module master switch is activated.

- One (1) shall be installed on the street side of the vehicle
- One (1) shall be installed on the curb side wall of the vehicle
- One (1) shall be installed on the cab emergency control console

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

10.03 120VAC Outlets

120VAC outlets shall be energized from the shoreline and/or from the inverter if equipped. All 120VAC outlets shall be UL certified, rated to 60Hz and have a pilot light when powered. A 120VAC GFCI shall be installed beyond the shoreline and shall disable all 120VAC outlets when tripped. The GFCI shall be located on the streetside wall above the attendant airway seat.

The ambulance shall be equipped with at least four (4) 120VAC 60Hz outlets. They shall be energized when the module master switch is activated or the shoreline plugged.

- One (1) shall be installed on the street side of the vehicle in the first action area wall
- One (1) shall be installed in a streetside cabinet, location to be determined at pre-construction..
- Three (3) shall be installed on the curb side wall of the vehicle, location to be determined at pre-construction..

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

10.04 Auto Eject Shoreline

A 20amp shoreline shall be installed on the driver’s side of the vehicle. The shoreline shall be a Kussmaul Auto Eject with sealed casing and LED indicator light. When the shoreline is plugged into an exterior source, all 120VAC 60Hz outlets shall be energized. The shoreline shall be recessed into the vehicle and shall include a weather proof low profile cover.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

10.05 1000W Xantrex Inverter

A Xantrex Freedom HW power inverter rated for 1000 watts shall be installed in the patient compartment, behind the driver seat. The inverter shall be powered via a control panel in the rear attendant console. When this inverter is activated, all 120VAC outlets shall be energized.

An inverter integrated battery charger shall be provided for maintaining batteries in a fully charged condition when the shoreline is plugged.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

11. CONSOLES

11.01 General

Controls and switches that are expected to be operated by the belted attendant while the ambulance is in motion shall be visible and within reach. Switches shall be located in such a position that the driver does not have to unbuckle to activate or read the control switches while the ambulance is in motion.

Switches, indicators, and control devices shall be perceptively and permanently identified with universal automotive graphics or at least 12 point letters for the noun or function, and 8 point letters for the remainder of the legend.

For ease of identification, the controls and switches shall be contrasting colors etched or engraved in plastic or metal, or printed and laminated in see through plastic, and logically grouped according to function. The switches shall have a different feel from the OEM switches. All switches and controls detailed here shall be properly LED illuminated for night driving.

Every switch shall incorporate a confirmation LED connected to the device or circuit that is activated. Confirmation lights wired directly to the switch shall not be tolerated as it doesn't confirm that the output activated, only that the switch is activated.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

11.02 Front Console

The completed ambulance shall have a front console. It shall include all controls and switches to operate all necessary emergency or mission critical functions such as:

1. Master switch
2. Primary/Secondary emergency lighting
3. Side scene and rear load lights
4. Alarm cutoff for patient indicator and back up alarm
5. Wig Wag headlights
6. Optional lighting activation (lightbars, additional warning lights, etc.)
7. Rear heat and AC controls with digital interior temperature display
8. Patient compartment lighting
9. Patient compartment exhaust
10. Door open indicator

11. Digital Ammeter/Volt Meter Display

The detail above describes the minimum features the front console display shall activate. All switches shall be wired to a multiplex node located in the front console. Wiring directly to the electrical panel will not be tolerated as it adds unnecessary wires and connections. The master switch shall be lockable in the "ON" position to ensure that the power shall not be inadvertently cut.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

11.03 Front Console Indicator Lights

The front console shall integrate the following indicators:

1. **Patient Status Indicator Lights (intercodes):** the Red/Amber/Green patient indicator lights shall be integrated on the front console. An audible alarm shall sound when any state is activated from the patient compartment. The alarm shall be cancelled by the Alarm Cancel / Mute switch.
2. **Door Ajar Indicator:** This shall illuminate when an entry door is opened. An audible alarm shall sound when this indicator light is flashing.
3. **Battery Indicator Light:** This light shall illuminate when the conversion battery bank is operational.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

11.04 Hour Meter

A digital engine hour meter shall be integrated in the front console.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

12. EMERGENCY AND TASK LIGHTING

12.01 General

Each ambulance shall have a system of optical warning devices as specified in this section. The visual warning system on the ambulance shall have two (2) distinct programmed sequences during emergency operation. These shall be defined in this specification as Primary and Secondary. The Primary mode shall signal to drivers and pedestrians that the ambulance is responding to an emergency and is calling for the right-of-way. The Secondary mode shall indicate that the ambulance is stopped and is blocking the right-of-way.

The bidder shall comply where specific vendor and model numbers are described as these lights are purchased from a common vendor and can be purchased by all manufacturers.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

12.02 Flash Rate

Flash patterns shall be easily programmable through the multiplexing electrical system for all emergency lighting. External flasher units are not preferred, nor lights programmed with a specific flash pattern.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

12.03 Front Plane Lights

There shall be a forward facing upper level emergency lighting in a light bar style of an arrangement of seven (7) Whelen 7 inch X 3 inch LED lights. This shall comprise an element of lighting at an angle of no less than 35 degrees to the side in order to improve visibility from the side of the vehicle.

These lights shall flash in a pattern programmed by the multiplexing electrical system.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

12.04 Wig Wags

There shall be two (2) clear Whelen LINZ6 series LED lights installed in the lower portion of the chassis grille to act as Wig Wag emergency lights. These lights shall flash in a pattern programmed by the multiplexing electrical system.

Under no circumstances shall the OEM high beam lights be modified or utilized as Wig Wag emergency lights.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

12.05 Grille Lights

Two (2) red Whelen LINZ6 Series LED lights with clear lenses shall be installed in the front grille. These lights shall flash in a pattern programmed by the multiplexing electrical system.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

12.06 Front Intersection Lights

Two (2) Whelen 700 Series LED red lights with clear lenses shall be installed on the fenders of the chassis. These lights shall be located in a forward position to provide adequate visibility at an intersection.

These lights shall flash in a pattern programmed by the electrical system.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

12.07 Side Plane Warning Lights

Four (4) Whelen 600 Series LED red warning lights with clear lenses shall be installed on the side plane of the ambulance, two (2) on each side towards the corners.

These lights shall flash in a pattern programmed by the electrical system.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

12.08 Rear Plane Warning Lights

Seven (7) Whelen 7 inch x 3 inch LED rear facing upper level emergency lights in an aerodynamical spoiler. Two (2) of these LED lights are to be load lights that shall operate when the rear doors open.

These lights shall flash in a pattern programmed by the electrical system.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

12.09 Scene Lighting

Four (4) Whelen 600 Series LED scene lights shall be installed on the side planes of the ambulance, inboard of the red emergency lights. The scene lights shall project at a downward angle to allow for adequate lighting of the area surrounding the sides of the ambulance.

They shall be controlled independently for each side by a switch in the front console. The curbside scene lights shall also be activated when the side entry door is opened.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

12.10 Center High-Mounted Stop Lamp

A Whelen #PSR00XRR Red LED Strip-Lite shall be installed on the low-profile aerodynamic rear spoiler to serve as a 3rd brake lamp. The light shall be wired to the OEM rear brake lights in accordance with Ford QVM Guidelines.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

12.11 Patient Compartment Illumination

Seven (7) Whelen #80C0EHCR round LED dome lights shall be installed in the ceiling of the patient compartment. The LED lights shall be controlled via switches on both of the rear control panels. Four (4) LED lights of the patient compartment shall be illuminated when the patient compartment entry doors are opened.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

12.12 Patient Compartment Timer

An automatic digital timer shall be integrated into the rear console just above the rear access doors.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

13. AUDIBLE WARNING DEVICES

13.01 Siren/PA System

Siren-PA System to be Whelen 295HFS or equivalent with: radio, PA, Manual, Wail, Yelp, Horn and Piercer tone.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

13.02 Speakers

Two (2) Whelen 100-watt siren speakers shall be integrated into the front bumper of the chassis. They shall be securely mounted in an engineered support to fit without modifying the chassis. This housing shall be designed not to restrict airflow or to reduce the effectiveness of the siren speaker.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

13.03 Backup Alarm

A 97 db. backup alarm shall be provided. It shall be activated when the vehicle is put in reverse. The cancel switch in the cab-mounted emergency control console shall mute the alarm when pressed after the alarm is activated. However, an automatic function shall reactivate the alarm after 15 seconds of down time. The backup alarm shall be located under the rear of the ambulance.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

14. OXYGEN AND SUCTION

14.01 General

The completed ambulance shall have a piped medical oxygen system capable of storing and supplying a minimum of 3,000 liters of medical oxygen. The main oxygen supply shall be from a compressed gas cylinder that the purchaser will provide and install at the time the vehicle is placed in service. Low pressure, electrically conductive hose and fittings approved for medical oxygen only shall be used. All oxygen piping shall be concealed, loomed and not exposed. Where oxygen lines may travel through a hole, a grommet shall be used to

prevent premature wear of the oxygen line. All oxygen tubing shall be secured yet shall be still accessible for maintenance. Oxygen shall be piped to self-sealing oxygen outlets. The system shall be tested prior to delivery and the results of the test shall be provided with the end user documentation.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

14.02 Oxygen Outlets, Quick Connect, Three (3)

Three (3) Quick Connect surface mounted oxygen outlets shall be installed in the completed ambulance. Two (2) shall be installed on the medical center wall in the main action area and one (1) shall be located on the curbside wall towards the forward end of the attendant seat. These outlets shall be tested prior to delivery of the ambulance.

Exact location of the oxygen outlets shall be agreed upon prior to construction.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

14.03 Portable Oxygen Tank Storage

Storage for two (2) D cylinder portable oxygen tanks are to be installed in the patient compartment. Location to be determined at pre-construction.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

14.04 Suction

One (1) RICO RS4 electrically-controlled suction system shall be installed in the patient compartment. The outlet shall be on the action area wall with the control in the rear switch panel. The Thomas brand suction pump shall be located behind the street side cabinetry and be easily accessible for maintenance. It shall be securely mounted with rubber pads to eliminate any unnecessary noise. A vacuum indicator gauge ranging from 0 to 760 mm Hg shall be provided.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

15. VARIOUS

15.01 Signs and Instructions

All required signs, instruction plates, and labels related to the electrical system shall be permanently attached and easy to read. All signage and labeling shall be resistant to fluids, extreme temperatures (-30°F (-25°C) and 176°F (80°C)), and ultra violet radiation. These labels shall meet the UL 969, *Standard for Marking and Labeling Systems*. All exterior labels relating to safety or critical operational instructions shall be reflective or illuminated.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

15.02 Delivery

Bidders shall be responsible for delivery to Anderson County, TN

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

15.03 Fog Lights

Bidders shall install LED lightbar version fog lights on chassis front bumper area.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

15.04 Rear Window Privacy Covering

Install of privacy window covering on rear windows of patient compartment. Covering is to be permanent, and is to allow limited to no viewing into patient compartment, but ability of interior viewing outside of patient compartment.

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

15.05 References for this specific design ambulance – no exceptions

CUSTOMER	CONTACT	STATE	MANF	TITLE	#

Does your bid comply with the specification as written? Y___ N___

Does your proposal include an exception to this requirement? Y___ N___

Additional warranty or logistical services that the bidder might provide above and beyond the requirements of this specification may be included with the bid documents.

16. OPTIONS Purpose of this section is to list out additional options that may or may not be included in the bid approval. It is not a bid requirement to respond or provide information on these options. Anderson County reserves the right to add these items individually or reject them individually.

16.01 USB charging outlets in cab and module – Two (2) each

Exact location to be determined at pre-construction

16.02 Custom graphics, striping, lettering

Bidder to provide graphics package per state of Tennessee requirements. Bidders are encouraged to contact purchasing with specific questions regarding layout to match existing fleet.

16.03 Rumbler style low frequency siren

Installation of low frequency siren.

16.04 Brush Guard

GoRhino brush guard, black in color.

16.05 360 Degree Camera

360 Degree Surround View Camera to replace backup camera previously specified.

16.06 LED Lights

LED headlamps and fog lamps.

BID PROPOSAL PRICING

Ambulance Bid Price \$ _____

Optional Items Pricing:

USB charging outlets in cab and module – Two (2) each

Exact location to be determined at pre-construction

Price: \$ _____

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Price: \$ _____

Attachment 1
BID NUMBER: 2516 – Type II Ambulance

SECTION 1 - BID INFORMATION

Acknowledgment of Addenda (if any):
(Write "Yes" if received)

Addenda 1 _____ Addenda 2 _____
Addenda 3 _____ Addenda 4 _____

SECTION 2 - VENDOR INFORMATION

Vendor Name _____

Vendor Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Telephone Number _____

Lead Contact Person *(Please Print)* _____

E-Mail Address _____

Taxpayer Identification Number, Social Security or
Employer Identification Number:

State of Tennessee Business License Number:
License # _____

I agree to abide by all Terms and Conditions of this Invitation to Bid and certify that I am authorized to sign this bid for the vendor. Failure to include any information mentioned in the bid or to comply with these bid instructions may result in rejection of your entire bid. Signing this form affirms that the original Invitation for Bid document has not been altered in any way.

Authorizing Signature:

(Please sign original in blue ink)

Attachment 2

Non-Collusion Affidavit

- This Non-Collusion Affidavit is material to any contract awarded pursuant to this bid.
- This Non-Collusion Affidavit must be executed by the member, officer, or employee of the bidder who makes the final decision on prices and the amount quoted in the bid.
- Bid rigging and other efforts to restrain competition and the making of false sworn statements in connection with the submission of bids are unlawful and may be subject to criminal prosecution. The person who signs the affidavit should examine it carefully before signing and assure himself or herself that such statement is true and accurate, making diligent inquiry, as necessary, of all other persons employed by or associated with the bidder with responsibilities for the preparation, approval, or submission of the bid.
- In the case of a bid submitted by a joint venture, each party to the venture must be identified in the bid documents, and an affidavit must be submitted separately on behalf of each party.
- The term "complementary bid" as used in the affidavit has the meaning commonly associated with that term in the bidding process and includes the knowing submission of bids higher than the bid of another firm, an intentionally high or noncompetitive bid, and any other form of bid submitted for the purpose of giving a false appearance of competition.
- Failure to file an affidavit in compliance with these instructions may result in disqualification of the bid.

Non-Collusion Affidavit

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

I state that I am (Title) _____ of (Name of My Firm) _____ and that I am authorized to make this affidavit on behalf of my firm and its owners, directors, and officers. I am the person responsible in my firm to the price(s) and the amount of this bid.

I STATE THAT:

- The price(s) and amount of this bid have been arrived at independently and without consultation, communication, or agreement with any other contractor, bidder, or potential bidder.
- Neither the price(s) nor the amount of this bid and neither the approximate price(s) nor approximate amount of this bid, have been disclosed to any other firm or person who is a bidder or potential bidder, and they will not be disclosed before bid opening.
- No attempt has been made or will be made to induce any firm or person to refrain from bidding on this contract, or to submit a bid higher than this bid, or to submit any intentionally high or noncompetitive bid or other form of complementary bid.
- The bid of my firm is made in good faith and not pursuant to any agreement or discussion with, or inducement from, any firm or person to submit a complementary or other noncompetitive bid.
- (Name of My Firm) _____, its affiliates, subsidiaries, officers, directors, and employees are not currently under investigation by any governmental agency and have not in the last three years been convicted or found liable for any act prohibited by State of Federal law in any jurisdiction involving conspiracy or collusion with respect to bidding on any public contract, except as follows:

I state that (Name of My Firm) _____ understands and acknowledges that the above representation are material and important and will be relied on by Anderson County in awarding the contract(s) for which this bid is submitted. I understand and my firm understands that any misstatement in this affidavit is and shall be treated as fraudulent concealment from Anderson County of the true facts relating to submission of bids for this contract.

Representative's Signature

Title

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, _____.

Notary Public

My commission expires: _____

Attachment 3



DIVERSITY BUSINESS INFORMATION

Definitions for Determining Minority, Women And Small-Owned Firms

The guidelines for determining minority, women and small-owned firms are defined as follows:

- "MINORITY"** means a person who is a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and who is:
- o Black (a person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa);
 - o Hispanic (a person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race);
 - o Asian American (a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands); or
 - o American Indian and Alaskan Native (a person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America).

"MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE" shall mean a minority business:

A continuing, independent, for profit business which performs a commercially useful function, and is at least 51 percent owned and controlled by one or more minority individuals; or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned and controlled by one or more minorities. Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more of minority individuals. "Control" as used in the above clause, means exercising the power to make policy decision. "Operate," as used in the above clause, means being actively involved in the day-to-day management of the business.

"WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE" shall mean women business:

A continuing, independent, for profit business which performs a commercially useful function, and which is at least 51 percent owned and controlled by one or more women; or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned and controlled by one or more women. Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more of such individuals. "Control" as used in the above clause, means exercising the power to make policy decision. "Operate," as used in the above clause, means being actively involved in the day-to-day management of the business.

Attachment 3

**DIVERSITY BUSINESS INFORMATION
ANDERSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT**

NOTE: This form is to be submitted only by those who qualify. Bidders do not have to be a minority business to be considered.

IMPORTANT! NOTARY AND COPY OF CERTIFICATION REQUIRED

SECTION 6 – DIVERSITY INFORMATION

VENDOR/CONTRACTOR NAME: _____

Type of Company: (Check One)

() Corporation () Partnership () Limited Liability () Sole Proprietor

Is your company 51% Owned or Operated by a Minority Group? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, check the ethnic category and indicate % of ownership:

- American Indian/Alaskan Native ____%
- African American ____%
- Hispanic ____%
- Asian/Pacific Islander ____%
- Other ____% _____(please indicate)

Please name the entity of certification: _____

Please provide copy of certification letter or certificate

I, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

Signature: _____ **OFFICER OF THE COMPANY**

Name: _____ **Title:** _____

NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

STATE OF _____)

COUNTY OF _____)

ON _____, 20____, BEFORE ME, _____,

PERSONALLY APPEARED _____, PERSONALLY KNOWN TO ME (OR PROVED TO ME ON THE BASIS OF SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE) TO BE THE PERSON(S) WHOSE NAME(S) IS/ARE SUBSCRIBED TO THE WITHIN INSTRUMENT AND ACKNOWLEDGED TO ME THAT HE/SHE/ THEY EXECUTED THE SAME IN HIS/HER/THEIR AUTHORIZED CAPACITY(IES), AND THAT BY HIS/HER/THEIR SIGNATURE(S) ON THE INSTRUMENT THE PERSON(S), OR THE ENTITY UPON BEHALF OF WHICH THE PERSON (S) ACTED, EXECUTED THE INSTRUMENT.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL.

SIGNATURE OF NOTARY: _____

PRINTED FULL NAME OF NOTARY: _____

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: _____

**Attachment 4
Insurance Requirement Acknowledgment**

The bidder awarded this bid or contract will maintain, at their expense adequate insurance coverage to protect them from claims arising under the Worker's Compensation Act, any and all claims for bodily injury and property damage to the Bidder and to Anderson County Government while delivery and service are being done. A certificate of insurance must be on file in the Purchasing Department before work may begin and must be maintained until work is completed.

Only the items marked with an "X" are applicable to this bid and or contract.

- 1. **Workers Compensation Employers Liability** Statutory limits
100,000/100,000/500,000
- 2. **Commercial General Liability** \$500,000 per occurrence
\$1,000,000 aggregate
 - Occurrence Form Only
 - Include Premises Liability
 - Include Contractual
 - Include XCU
 - Include Products and Completed Operations
 - Include Personal Injury
 - Include Independent Contractors
 - Include Vendors Liability
 - Include Professional or E&O Liability
- 3. **Business Auto**
 - Include Garage Liability
 - Include Garage Keepers Liability
 - Copy of Valid Driver's License
 - Copy of Current Motor Vehicle Record
 - Copy of Current Auto Liability Declarations Page
- 4. **Crime Coverages**
 - Employee Dishonesty
 - Employee Dishonesty Bond
- 5. **Property Coverages**
 - Builders Risk
 - Inland Marine
 - Transportation
- 6. Performance Bond Required – A One Hundred Percent (100%) performance or an irrevocable letter of credit in favor of Anderson County Government at a federally insured financial institution in accordance with T.C.A. 12-4-201. This MUST be submitted before purchase order issued. **REQUIRED IF BID IS OVER \$100,000.**

Certificate Holder Shall Be: Anderson County Government, Clinton, Tennessee, and shall show the bid number and title. Anderson County Government shall be named as an additional insured on all policies except worker's compensation and auto. Insurance carrier ratings shall have a Best's rating of A-VII or better, or its equivalent. Cancellation clause on certificate should strike out "endeavor to" and include a 30-day notice of cancellation where applicable. Any deviations from the above requirements must be disclosed to the Anderson County Purchasing Agent. Any liability deductibles or exclusions must also be disclosed. Exceptions can be granted if applicable.

Bidders Statement and Certification

I understand the insurance requirements of these specifications and will comply in full within 21 (twenty-one) calendar days if awarded this bid and or contract. I agree to furnish the county with proof of insurance for the entire term of the bid and or contract.

Vendor Name

Bid Representative Name (Please Print)

Authorized Signature

Date

Attachment 5
ANDERSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

CONFLICT OF INTEREST AFFIDAVIT/STATEMENT

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T. C. A. 5-14-114. Conflicts of interest -- Illegal payments.

(a) Neither the county purchasing agent, nor members of the county purchasing commission, nor members of the county legislative body, nor other officials of the county, shall be financially interested, or have any personal beneficial interest, either directly or indirectly, in any contract or purchase order for any supplies, materials, equipment or contractual services used by or furnished to any department or agency of the county government.

(b) Nor shall any such persons accept or receive, directly or indirectly, from any person, firm or corporation to which any contract or purchase order may be awarded, by rebate, gift or otherwise, any money or anything of value whatsoever, or any promise, obligation or contract for future reward or compensation.

(c) A violation of this section is a Class D felony.

T. C. A. 12-4-101 Personal interest of officers prohibited.

(a) (1) It is unlawful for any officer, committee member, director, or other person whose duty it is to vote for, let out, overlook, or in any manner to superintend any work or any contract in which any municipal corporation, county, state, development district, utility district, human resource agency, or other political subdivision created by statute shall or may be interested, to be directly interested in any such contract. "Directly interested" means any contract with the official personally or with any business in which the official is the sole proprietor, a partner, or the person having the controlling interest. "Controlling interest" includes the individual with the ownership or control of the largest number of outstanding shares owned by any single individual or corporation. This subdivision (a)(1) shall not be construed to prohibit any officer, committee person, director, or any person, other than a member of a local governing body of a county or municipality, from voting on the budget, appropriation resolution, or tax rate resolution, or amendments thereto, unless the vote is on a specific amendment to the budget or a specific appropriation or resolution in which such person is directly interested.

(2) (A) Subdivision (a)(1) shall also apply to a member of the board of directors of any not-for-profit corporation authorized by the laws of Tennessee to act for the benefit or on behalf of any one (1) or more counties, cities, towns and local governments pursuant to title 7, chapter 54 or 58.

(B) Subdivision (a)(2)(A) does not apply to any county with a metropolitan form of government and having a population of four hundred thousand (400,000) or more, according to the 1980 federal census or any subsequent federal census.

(b) It is unlawful for any officer, committee member, director, or other person whose duty it is to vote for, let out, overlook, or in any manner to superintend any work or any contract in which any municipal corporation, county, state, development district, utility district, human resource agency, or other political subdivision created by statute shall or may be interested, to be indirectly interested in any such contract unless the officer publicly acknowledges such officer's interest. "Indirectly interested" means any contract in which the officer is interested but not directly so, but includes contracts where the officer is directly interested but is the sole supplier of goods or services in a municipality or county.

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(c) (1) Any member of a local governing body of a county or a municipality who is also an employee of such county or municipality and whose employment predates the member's initial election or appointment to the governing body of the county or municipality may vote on matters in which the member has a conflict of interest if the member informs the governing body immediately prior to the vote as follows: "Because I am an employee of (name of governmental unit), I have a conflict of interest in the proposal about to be voted. However, I declare that my argument and my vote answer only to my conscience and to my obligation to my constituents and the citizens this body represents." The vote of any such member having a conflict of interest who does not so inform the governing body of such conflict shall be void if challenged in a timely manner. As used in this subdivision (c)(1), "timely manner" means during the same meeting at which the vote was cast and prior to the transaction of any further business by the body.

(2) Any member of a local governing body of a county or a municipality who is also an employee of such county or municipality and whose employment began on or after the date on which the member was initially elected or appointed to serve on the governing body of the county or municipality shall not vote on matters in which the member has a conflict of interest.

(3) (A) In the event a member of a local governing body of a county or a municipality has a conflict of interest in a matter to be voted upon by the body, such member may abstain for cause by announcing such to the presiding officer.

(B) (i) Any member of a local governing body of a municipality who abstains from voting for cause on any issue coming to a vote before the body shall not be counted for the purpose of determining a majority vote.

(ii) This subdivision (c)(3)(B) shall in no way be construed to apply to any county having a metropolitan form of government and having a population in excess of five hundred thousand (500,000), according to the 1990 federal census or any subsequent federal census.

(d) This section shall apply to a member of the board of directors or officer of any nonprofit corporation required under § 8-44-102(b)(1)(E) to conduct all meetings of its governing body as open meetings.

I have read and understand both T.C. A. 5-14-114 and T. C. A. 12-4-101, and will comply.

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Contractor or Company Owner (signature)

Date

Contractor or Company Name (print)

General Terms and Conditions

BID ENVELOPE SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:

Bids are to be received in a sealed envelope/package with the bid number, company name and opening date clearly marked. Failure to comply may result in rejection of the entire bid. Anderson County will not be responsible for any lost or misdirected mail. Late bids, e-mailed bids and faxed bids will not be considered nor returned. It is the sole responsibility of the bidder to ensure their bid is delivered to the Purchasing Department.

Please note that Anderson County Government does not receive a guaranteed delivery time for express mail and/or packages. PLEASE MAIL ACCORDINGLY.

**ANDERSON COUNTY FINANCE DEPARTMENT
100 NORTH MAIN STREET, SUITES 214 AND 218
CLINTON, TN 37716**

Email: purchasing@andersoncountyttn.gov

Website: <http://andersontn.org/purchasing>

(865) 457-6218 Phone

(865) 457-6252 Fax

**Bid documents must be completed in ink or typed, signed in ink,
and free from alterations, erasures or mark-throughs.**

SECTION 1 - GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1.1 ALTERATIONS OR AMENDMENTS: Alterations, amendments, changes, modifications or additions to this solicitation shall not be binding on Anderson County without prior written approval.

1.2 NO CONTACT POLICY: After vendor receives a copy of this bid, any contact initiated by any vendor with any Anderson County representative, other than the Purchasing Department, concerning this invitation for bid is prohibited and agreements made thereto will not be considered binding on Anderson County. Any such unauthorized contact may cause the disqualification of the bidder from this procurement transaction.

1.3 QUESTIONS: Pursuant to TCA §12-4-113, questions regarding the specifications or bid procedures must be received by the Purchasing Agent and/or designer no less than ninety-six (96) hours before the bid opening date. No addenda within less than forty-eight (48) hours of the bid opening date shall be permitted. Any questions concerning the bid document must be submitted to purchasing@andersontn.org no less than ninety-six (96) hours before bid opening date.

1.4 BID CLOCK: The bid/time clock in the Anderson County Purchasing office will be the time of record.

1.5 TAXES: Anderson County is not liable for Federal excise or State sales tax. Tax exemption certificates will be provided upon request.

1.6 CONFLICT OF INTEREST: If requested by the Purchasing Agent, vendors must complete and submit a "Conflict of Interest Affidavit Statement" prior to contract award, see T.C.A. 5-14-114 and T. C. A. 12-4-101.

1.7 NON-COLLUSION: Vendors, by submitting a signed bid, certify that the accompanying bid is not the result of, or affected by, any unlawful act of collusion with any other person or company engaged in the same line of business or commerce, or any other fraudulent act punishable under Tennessee or United States law.

1.8 NON-DISCRIMINATION: Contracted vendors will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, sex, national origin or disability except where religion, sex, national origin or disability is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the contractor.

1.9 SAME AS OR EQUIVALENT TO: Vendors are to bid as specified herein or propose an approved equal. Determination of equality is solely Anderson County's responsibility. Any designated brands are for reference purpose only, not a statement of preference. When an alternate manufacturer, brand, model or make is bid, Anderson County will determine if the item bid meets or exceeds the items as specified. If the bidder does not indicate that an alternate manufacturer, brand, model or make is being bid, it is understood that the item(s) bid are the same manufacturer, brand, model or make as requested in the Invitation to Bid. Comparable products of other manufacturers will be considered if proof of comparability is contained in the bid submission. It shall be the responsibility of the vendors, including vendors whose product is referenced to furnish upon request catalog pages, brochures or other data to provide an adequate basis for determining the quality and functional capabilities of the product offered. Failure to provide this data may be considered valid justification for rejection of bid.

1.10 MULTIPLE BIDS/AWARDS: Anderson County may consider multiple bid awards.

1.11 STATE OF TENNESSEE CONTRACTORS' LICENSE LAW (T.C.A. 62-6-119) b): Bids for which the total cost of the project is twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) or more, the outside of the sealed bid envelope/package containing the bid provides the following information: the Company Name, the Contractor's license number, license classification, the date of the license expiration and that part of each license classification applying to the bid. In addition, each heating ventilation or air conditioning, plumbing and electrical subcontractor's license number, date of the license expiration and that part of each classification applying to the bid if the value of the work is \$25,000 or greater, must be notated. If the value of either the contractor or the subcontractor's work is less than \$25,000, the bid envelope/package containing the bid is to be notated with the phrase "Contractor or Subcontractor's Bid is Less than \$25,000" after each appropriate heading. In the case of joint ventures, each party submitting the bid must provide this information. If no subcontractors are being used, the outside of the envelope/package containing the bid must state, "No Subcontractors are being used on this project."

1.12 ACCEPTANCE: Vendors shall hold their price firm and subject to acceptance by Anderson County for a minimum period of sixty (60) working days from the date of the bid opening, unless otherwise indicated in their bid. Any or all bids may be rejected for good cause.

1.13 BID AWARDS: Bids will be awarded to the lowest and best bidder, taking into consideration the qualities of the articles to be supplied, their conformity with specifications and their suitability to the requirements of Anderson County and the delivery terms. Anderson County also reserves the right to not award this bid.

1.14 BIDDER'S MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Bidders must have the resources and capability to provide the materials and services as described in the solicitation. Anderson County reserves the right to request additional information and/or material not specified as a bid requirement from any bidder to confirm qualifications.

1.15 DEBARMENT: By submitting a response to this solicitation, bidders are certifying that bidder is not currently debarred from doing business with any local or state Government or the Federal Government. Bidders shall provide documentation relating to any and all debarments that occurred within the last ten

years. The County will search the "System for Award Management" for federally excluded vendors before awarding a bid.

1.16 PROTEST: Any vendor wishing to protest the bid award shall notify in writing the Anderson County Purchasing Agent and the County Law Director, 101 S. Main Street, Suite 310, Clinton, TN 37716. No protest will be accepted, except those protests made in writing and received within (10) ten calendar days of the bid award. Protests must be in writing and envelopes/package containing protest must be clearly marked with bid number and words "BID PROTEST". The Purchasing Agent, in conjunction with the Purchasing Committee, and with the advice and counsel of the County Law Director, shall review and make a final decision as to any bid protest. Appeals shall be filed in the Circuit or Chancery Courts of Anderson County within sixty (60) days of the final decision.

VENDORS PLEASE NOTE: ANDERSON COUNTY WILL NOT STOP THE PURCHASE PROCESS. THE PURCHASE MAY BE COMPLETED OR THE PROJECT MAY BE RE-BID WHILE THE PROTEST PROCEDURE IS STILL IN OPERATION. IF A RE-BID IS MADE, THE PROTESTING VENDOR SHOULD SUBMIT A NEW BID. OTHERWISE, THEY WILL BE WITHOUT A BID ON THE RE-BID. FURTHER, THE RE-BIDDING WILL NOT END THE APPEALS PROCESS. IT WILL CONTINUE UNTIL A FINAL DECISION IS REACHED OR THE COMPLAINANT WITHDRAWS THE APPEAL.

1.17 DELIVERY: Bid pricing is to include complete supply and delivery to Anderson County, Tennessee. Vendors are to state the delivery time in the bid. Anderson County requires that vendors deliver all products "free on board" to final destination unless indicated otherwise in the bid requirements.

1.18 PROOF OF FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS CAPABILITY: Bidders must, upon the request of Anderson County, provide satisfactory evidence of their ability to furnish products or services in accordance with the terms and conditions of these specifications. Anderson County will make the final determination as to the bidder's ability.

1.19 VENDOR'S DEFAULT: Anderson County reserves the right, in case of vendor default, to procure the articles or services from other sources and hold the defaulting vendor responsible for any excess costs occasioned thereby.

1.20 DUPLICATE COPIES: Vendors are to submit one original and at least one exact copy of their bids, including brochures; unless additional copies are requested in bid specifications.

1.21 DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE: Under the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated §50-9-113 enacted by the General Assembly effective 2001, all employers with five (5) or more employees who contract with either the state or a local government to provide construction services are required to submit an affidavit stating that they have a drug free workplace program that complies with Title 50, Chapter 9, in effect at the time of submission of a bid at least to the extent required of governmental entities. The statute imposes other requirements on the contractor and contractors should consult private legal counsel if legal questions arise under this section or any other provision of this document. All contractors with five (5) or more employees that will be providing construction services are to return the provided written affidavit signed by the principal officer of a covered employer acknowledging that the contracting entity is in compliance with the Drug Free Workplace laws of State of Tennessee.

1.22 COMPETITION INTENDED: It is the responsibility of the bidder to review the entire Invitation to Bid document and to notify the Purchasing Department if the Invitation to Bid is formulated in a manner that would unnecessarily restrict competition or if it is ambiguous in what is being requested. The Purchasing Agent must receive questions regarding the specifications or bid procedures no less than ninety-six (96) hours prior to the time set for the bid opening.

1.23 SCHOOL CAFETERIA BIDS: If this bid is for Anderson County School's Cafeteria Food Service Department, bidders must be in compliance with Section 104(d) of the William F. Goodling Child Nutrition Reauthorization Act of 1998 which requires school and institutions participating in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP) to "Buy American" to the maximum extent practicable.

1.24 TERMINATION: Anderson County reserves the right to terminate contracts in whole or in part with thirty (30) days written notification to the contractor. In the event of termination, the County shall not be liable for any costs other than the cost of services performed and materials delivered and accepted prior to termination date.

1.25 OSHA SAFETY: The Vendor is responsible for training their employees in Safety and Health Regulations for the job, assuring compliance with Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health regulations and any other Regulatory Agency.

1.26 PERFORMANCE BOND: A standard surety or performance bond or an irrevocable letter of credit in favor of Anderson County Government at a federally insured financial institution will be required to be submitted with bid, if indicated in section four, item six insurance requirement checklist.

1.27 BACKGROUND CHECKS: Contractors shall comply with Public Chapter 587 of 2007, as codified in Tennessee Code Annotated Section 49-5-413, which requires all contractors to facilitate a criminal history records check conducted by the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Investigation for each employee prior to permitting the employee to have contact with students or enter school grounds when students are present.

1.28 AWARD RESULTS: As soon as practicable after proposal or bid evaluations, Anderson County shall post the award decision to Vendor Registry at www.vendorregistry.com. Individual notices are normally not mailed or e-mailed except to the successful vendor.

1.29 INDEMNIFICATION/HOLD HARMLESS: Vendor shall indemnify, defend, save and hold harmless Anderson County and, its officers, agents and employees from all suits, claims, actions or damages of any nature brought because of, arising out of, or due to breach of the agreement by Vendor, its subcontractors, suppliers, agents, or employees or due to any negligent act or occurrence or any omission or commission of Vendor, its subcontractors, suppliers, agents or employees.

1.30 DECLARATIVE STATEMENT: Any statement or words (i.e.: must, shall, will, etc.) are declarative statements and the proposer must comply with the condition. Failure to comply with any such condition may result in their bid being non-responsive and disqualified.

1.31 WAIVING OF INFORMALITIES: Anderson County reserves the right to waive minor informalities or technicalities when it is in the best interest of Anderson County.

1.32 APPROPRIATION: Funding for multi-year contracts are subject to budget appropriations. In the event no funds are appropriated by Anderson County for the goods or services in any fiscal year or insufficient funds exist to purchase the goods or services of a contract, then that contract shall expire upon the expenditure of previously appropriated funds or the end of the current fiscal year, whichever occurs first, with no further obligations owed to or by either party.

1.33 ASSIGNMENT: Vendor shall not assign or sub-contract any agreement, its obligations or rights hereunder to any party, company, partnership, incorporation or person without the prior written specific consent of Anderson County.

1.34 QUANTITIES: Anderson County does not guarantee quantities to be purchased off this bid.

1.35 UNIT PRICE: In case of discrepancy between any unit price and an extended price, the unit price will be presumed to be correct, subject, however, to correction to the same extent and in the same manner as any other mistake.

1.36 MODIFICATION OR WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS: When it is certain that a mistake has been made in the preparation of the bid, a request will be made to the bidder to confirm the bid. Provisions must be made so that mistakes can be taken care of and the ambiguity resolved satisfactorily. Bids may be modified or withdrawn by written notice received in the Purchasing Department prior to the time and date set for the bid

opening. The changes or withdrawal of the bids shall be in writing and signed by an official of the company. The envelope containing the modification should clearly state "modification to bid." Either the entire bid or a particular item may be withdrawn or modified in this manner.

1.37 PRE-BID CONFERENCES: Attendance at Pre-bid Conferences is strongly encouraged. When deemed necessary a Mandatory Pre-bid Conference will be held. A company representative MUST be in attendance and sign the Pre-bid sign-in sheet in order to be considered for bid award.

1.38 ADDENDUM: § T.C.A. 12-14-113 Anderson County Government reserves the right to amend this solicitation by addendum. Addenda will be posted to the vendor registry up to 48 hours in advance of the bid/proposals due date and time. It is the bidder's responsibility to check the website for addendum. If in the County's opinion revisions are of such a magnitude, the deadline for this solicitation may be extended in an addendum. Addenda may change specifications, reply sheets, and times and dates for pre-bid meetings as well as due dates/deadlines for questions and bids/proposals.

1.39 OWNERSHIP: All bids, once received, become property of Anderson County Government and will not be returned.

1.40 WEATHER AND COURTHOUSE CLOSINGS: In the event of a situation severe enough to necessitate the closing of Anderson County Government offices during a planned bid opening, vendors will receive notification of the new date and time upon re-opening of county government offices. No bids will be opened until the rescheduled date for bid opening and all bidders/proposers whose submissions meet the extended deadline will be given equal consideration at that time. Anderson County shall not be liable for any commercial carrier's decision regarding deliveries during inclement weather.

1.41 IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT OF 2014: Pursuant to the Iran Divestment Act of 2014, Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-106 requires the State of Tennessee Chief Procurement Officer to publish, using creditable information freely available to the public, a list of persons it determines engage in investment activities in Iran, as described in § 12-12-105. Inclusion on this list makes a person ineligible to contract with Anderson County; if a person ceases its engagement in investment activities in Iran, it may be removed from the list. The State of Tennessee list is available here: [http://tennessee.gov/generalservices/article/ Public-Information-library](http://tennessee.gov/generalservices/article/Public-Information-library).

1.42 ANTI-BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL: By responding to this bid the Bidder certifies that it is not currently engaged in and agrees for the duration of this Agreement not to engage in, the boycott of Israel.