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# ADDENDUM #1

**NOVEMBER 6, 2026**

## BUS STOP SHELTERS

## Solicitation # 2026-BusShelters-004

## ITB DUE DATE
## 2:00PM (CDT) – NOVEMBER 16, 2006

The Capital Area Transit System (CATS), Baton Rouge, Louisiana hereby amends the above referenced Invitation to Bid (ITB) as follows:

1. **Addendum to change Bid Opening Time:**
   **Now reads: 10:00 AM**
   **Change to Read: 2:00 PM**

2. **Addendum to provide response to vendor questions.**

| | Question | Response |
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| 1 | Are you willing to consider steel for posts, roof frames, and beams/mullions instead of aluminum as specified on pages 5-6? Our product is modular so weight is not an issue when assembling. | No, all components shall be aluminum. |
| 2 | What information needs to be submitted on an alternative design to be deemed acceptable, and can this be submitted prior to the due date for approval? | See Page 19, Exhibit C,<br>Questions and Request for Approved Equals Form.<br>Provide any information and/or specification relevant to item to be evaluated. |
| 3 | Our understanding based on the design is that the roof needs to cover a 5'x12' area. Is there a minium dimension between the panels for an enclosed (or semi-enclosed) space? | There is no minimum dimension between the panels since there is no gap. |
| 4 | We have been manufacturing transit shelters for about 4 years. Are you willing to waive the 10 year requirement (page 13) for submittals? | The 10-year requirement shall be waived, and 4 years shall be accepted. |
| 5 | Your specifications list a requirement for an AISC certification or equivalent. My company carries that AISC certification but having worked for Tolar for 11 years, I know that they don't. How do they meet your written specification then? | Bidders should summit products they consider to be equal the bid specifications.<br>CATS will not comment on vendor's qualifications. |
| 6 | The Tolar roof system is a faux-standing seam roof, developed as a cheap alternative to a true standing seam. We would like to request a change to an actual standing seam roof in your specifications, both for aesthetic and for functionality. | Bidders should summit products they consider to be equal or better than the bid specifications.<br>CATS will not comment on vendor's qualifications. |

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| 7 | The specified finish is powder coat, we would request the option of an anodized finish which is both durable and easier to maintain in the field. | The anodized finish is acceptable. |
| 8 | The solar lighting system that you are specifying is from Urban Solar as they work closely with Tolar and are the only shelter solar provider to have a UL listed system (they have 1, the rest are just UL compliant component systems). In order to create a level playing field, can you specify them so that they can create a bid price that is equal for all shelter manufacturers. Tolar has preferential pricing with Urban so it is difficult for the rest of us to compete on bids if their system is the only acceptable system. | We will accept the UL compliant component systems |
| 9 | On the submittals, what submittals are required with the bid and which are able to be submitted upon award?<br><br>On the submittals list there are some submittals that are typically post bid, pre-award submittals such as the structural stamped drawings. Can you clarity the submittals that are required with the bid submittals? | See Page 20, Exhibit D, |
| 10 | Bid scope: Are the 25 crated 12-ft hip-roof shelters (including benches and receptacles) and 25 solar lighting systems to be supplied FOB destination ONLY, with ALL on-site unloading, assembly, concrete pads, installation, electrical connection and maintenance by CATS or its separate contractor?<br>If the winning seller must perform site labor, please identify the exact services. | All deliveries to CATS are FOB destination.<br><br>This bid is for delivery of shelters only, no installation on pads required. |
| 11 | Model conflict: Scope page 14 specifies Tolar 26543-00 as basis of design; Exhibit B page 18 lists Tolar 19256-00. Which specific model controls for both specifications and pricing? Please reconcile the two references formally. | The model shall be 26543-00 as indicated on the shelter drawing. |
| 12 | Delivery address: Is the receiving street address 2250 Florida Boulevard (the cover and bid-submission address) or 2250 Florida Street (Exhibit B delivery section), Baton Rouge LA 70802? Please state whether CATS unloads forklift-delivered crated shelters. | CATS do not have forklift or any equipment to offload heavy items.<br>Vendor to provide and offload all items being delivered for 2250 Florida Blvd, Baton Rouge, La. 70802 |
| 13 | Bidder eligibility: May an independent Florida LLC PRODUCT reseller submit a bid using factory-manufactured and factory-direct-shipped equipment, accompanied by genuine OEM authorization, signed Buy America certificates, designs/engineering and ten-year spare-parts support, without the reseller itself being the manufacturer, fabricator or installing contractor?<br>Is Louisiana Secretary of State registration required only before award, as Part 2(H) indicates, and must a separate CATS vendor profile be approved before bid submission? | CATS' bids are open to all vendors.<br><br>All requirements are stated on Page 8, H. Corporation Requirements. |

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| 14 | Insurance: For an entirely product-only supply with no GSS site labor, does the Part 2(N) $1M/$2M CGL, $1M auto, workers compensation/employers liability and $1M/$2M professional liability requirement apply to the reseller, and is builder's risk required?<br>Is any express product-supplier exception available? We will not assume coverage or exemption. | All insurance requirements are stated in the bid document, with no exemptions. |
| 15 | Please confirm whether any addendum has already been published as of October 28, and whether the optional additional 25 shelters over the following two years must also include solar lighting at the same line-item pricing. | This is the first addendum issued.<br>Refer to www.brcats.com for this ITB and any addenda that may be issued.<br>Go to www.brcats.com, ABOUT CATS, Doing Business With CATS, Procurement (here), Open Bids.<br>Also, refer to State of Louisiana LAPAC website https://wwwcfprd.doa.louisiana.gov/osp/lapac/deptbids.cfm.<br>In addition, Official Bid Documents are available at Central Bidding (www.centralbidding.com).<br>Electronic Bids may be submitted at Central Bidding (www.centralbidding.com).<br>For questions related to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814.<br><br>Yes, additional Solar lighting would be included. |
| 16. | Does Appendix II's bonding language require a 5% bid guarantee and 100% performance and payment bonds for a PRODUCT-ONLY contract supplying 25 factory-crated shelters and 25 solar-light packages with no reseller site work, or does that clause apply only to construction/facility-improvement contracts? If bonds apply, at what stage are they required? | This bid does not require a bid bond nor payment and performance bond. |
| 17. | For this FTA-assisted LOCAL procurement, must the bidding legal entity have an ACTIVE SAM.gov entity registration by bid submission or award, beyond passing the federal exclusion/debarment check? We are not claiming GENERAL SUPPLY SOURCE LLC has a verified active SAM registration. | See Page 44, GOVERNMENT-WIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION |
| 18. | The bid schedule specifies November 16 at 10:00 a.m. "CDT," although that date falls in Central Standard Time. Please confirm the controlling 10:00 a.m. Central local-clock deadline and confirm our October 28 product-only scope, manufacturer model, delivery-address, insurance and eligibility questions have been received for the November 6 addendum. | Central Standard Time (CST) |
| 19 | Could you please confirm whether bid, performance, and payment bonds are required for Solicitation #2026-BusShelter-004? | This bid does not require a bid bond nor payment and performance bond. |