

# STATE OF ALASKA

Department of Natural Resources  
Division of Support Services



## INVITATION TO BID (ITB) 2023 1000 0162 LONG TERM TRUCK RENTAL IN PALMER AND FAIRBANKS AREAS

### ADDENDUM 1

ISSUED MARCH 01, 2023

This addendum is being issued to answer questions from vendors.

**Important Note to Offerors:** You are required to sign and return this page of the amendment document with your bid. Failure to do so may result in the rejection of your bid. Only the ITB terms and conditions referenced in this addendum are being changed. All other terms and conditions of the ITB remain the same. This Addendum is hereby made part of the ITB and is a total of three pages.

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## QUESTIONS SUBMITTED BY OFFERORS AND ANSWER FROM THE STATE

**Question 1:** *Do the trucks have to be F350/3500 one-ton models?*

**Answer 1:** Vehicles must be 1 ton. There is no brand preference.

**Question 2:** *Will they accept Gas trucks instead of Diesels?*

**Answer 2:** Gas will be acceptable however the fuel system for all vehicles needs to be the same. (All vehicles Gas or All vehicles Diesel).

**Question 3:** *Can we present alternative solutions?*

**Answer 3:** No.

**Question 4:** *Diesel, long bed with bed liner – **Would Gas Trucks be accepted? Would short bed trucks be accepted?***

**Answer 4:** **Gas will be acceptable** however the fuel system for all vehicles needs to be the same. (All vehicles Gas or All vehicles Diesel) **Short beds will not be accepted.**

**Question 5:** *Matching BF Goodrich All-Terrain KO2 all-terrain/all-season 10 ply, off-road tires with less than 25% wear, no weather cracks – **Would another brand of matching Load E Rated All-Terrain Tires be accepted?***

**Answer 5:** Yes, however tires should have a tread design and rubber formulation designed to reduce chips and tears on gravel, as well as a footprint shape and interlocking tread design to offer balanced wear. Tires should also include side-biter lugs in the sidewall and raised bars in the shoulder.

**Question 6:** *All trucks shall be equipped with WeatherTech or DOF project manager approved seat covers on all seats – **What constitutes a DOF project manager approved seat cover? Is there a list?***

**Answer 6:** CalTrend DuraPlus, Covercraft, Tiger tough, would be acceptable all weather covering. Provided covers need to offer protection against natural and workplace elements including rocks, sand, mud, grass, and ash/soot.

**Question 7:** *The State will perform all routine maintenance on the trucks. The Contractor shall provide a replacement truck of the same type during the contract term should any contracted trucks be rendered out of service. – Is there a prescribed maintenance schedule? How is it determined if a truck is rendered out of service?*

**Answer 7:** Routine basic maintenance will occur on a daily basis. This includes fluid checks, tire pressure checks, signals, headlight, windshield wiper operations etc. daily vehicle checks will be documented in a vehicle use log. Any maintenance performed (Add fluids, add air to tires, etc.) will be noted in the vehicle use log. Check engine lights, oil changes or anything above basic maintenance will be performed at a professional auto service center. If there is a preferred provider, attempts will be made to utilize the preferred provider, however during times of high fire activity, or travel for fire assignments away from the home unit, the closest or most convenient vendor will be used. Generally speaking, a vehicle will be taken out of service when it is unsafe to drive or there is an issue that may lead to vehicle damage if not addressed. Examples may include, check engine lights, recalls, breakdowns etc.

**Question 8:** *A maintenance and operations manual must be in each truck. The cost of the manual is to be included in the bid price of the equipment – Can we get more clarification on this? Do you mean just the owner's manual of the truck or a detailed outline of service history?*

**Answer 8:** The owner's manual.

**Question 9:** *Utility trucks or Trucks – Can a bidder only bid on the utility trucks or the 1 ton trucks or does a single bidder have to bid on and supply all trucks listed in the bid?*

**Answer 9:** No, vehicles for each location will need to be under the same MA. All Palmer area vehicles could be bid on separately from the Fairbanks Vehicles.

**END OF ADDENDUM 1**