

INVITATION TO BID

INVITATION NUMBER 2514S007

RETURN THIS BID TO THE ISSUING OFFICE AT:



Department of Transportation &
Public Facilities
Statewide Contracting & Procurement
P.O. Box 112500
(3132 Channel Drive, Suite 300)
Juneau, Alaska 99811-2500

THIS IS NOT AN ORDER

DATE ITB ISSUED: August 27, 2013

**PARTS AND SERVICE FOR CATERPILLAR POWER SYSTEMS FOR ALASKA
MARINE HIGHWAY (AMHS) VESSELS**

Sealed bids must be submitted to the statewide contracting and procurement office from which they were issued and must be time and date stamped by the purchasing section prior to 2:30 PM (Alaska Time) on September 17, 2013 at which time they will be publicly opened.

DELIVERY LOCATION: See "Bid Schedule"

DELIVERY DATE: See "Bid Schedule"


F.O.B. POINT: FINAL DESTINATION

IMPORTANT NOTICE: If you received this solicitation from the State's "Online Public Notice" web site, you must register with the Procurement Officer listed on this document to receive subsequent amendments. Failure to contact the Procurement Officer may result in the rejection of your offer.

BIDDER'S NOTICE: By signature on this form, the bidder certifies that:

- (1) the bidder has a valid Alaska business license and has written the license number below or has submitted one of the following forms of evidence of an Alaska business license with the bid:
 - a canceled check for the business license fee;
 - a copy of the business license application with a receipt date stamp from the State's business license office;
 - a receipt from the State's business license office for the license fee;
 - a copy of the bidder's valid business license;
 - a sworn notarized affidavit that the bidder has applied and paid for a business license;
- (2) the price(s) submitted was arrived at independently and without collusion and that the bidder is complying with:
 - the laws of the State of Alaska;
 - the applicable portion of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964;
 - the Equal Employment Opportunity Act and the regulations issued thereunder by the State and Federal Government; and
 - all terms and conditions set out in this Invitation to Bid (ITB).

If any bidder fails to comply with (1) or (2) of this paragraph, the State may reject the bid, terminate the contract, or consider the contractor in default.

Evan Patterson Procurement Officer  TELEPHONE NUMBER: 907-465-8446 FAX NUMBER: 907-465-2024 EMAIL: evan.patterson@alaska.gov	1) _____ COMPANY SUBMITTING BID	6) DOES YOUR BUSINESS QUALIFY FOR THE ALASKA BIDDER'S PREFERENCE? [] YES [] NO
	2) _____ AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	7) DOES YOUR BUSINESS QUALIFY FOR THE ALASKA VETERAN PREFERENCE? [] YES [] NO
	3) _____ PRINTED NAME	SEE ITB FOR EXPLANATION OF CRITERIA TO QUALIFY.
	4) _____ DATE	8) _____ FEDERAL TAX ID NUMBER
	5) _____ TELEPHONE NUMBER	9) _____ ALASKA BUSINESS LICENSE NUMBER *Exact name on licenses must match Item #1 above.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS:

1. INVITATION TO BID (ITB) REVIEW: Bidders shall carefully review this ITB for defects and questionable or objectionable material. Bidders' comments concerning defects and questionable or objectionable material in the ITB must be made in writing and received by the purchasing authority at least ten (10) days before the bid opening date. This will allow time for an amendment to be issued if one is required. It will also help prevent the opening of a defective bid, upon which award cannot be made, and the resultant exposure of bidders' prices. Bidders' original comments should be sent to the purchasing authority listed on the front of this ITB.

2. BID FORMS: Bidders shall use this and attached forms in submitting bids. A photocopied bid may be submitted.

3. SUBMITTING BIDS: Envelopes containing bids must be sealed, marked, and addressed as shown in the example below. Do not put the ITB number and opening date on the envelope of a request for bid information. Envelopes with ITB numbers annotated on the outside will not be opened until the scheduled date and time.

<p>Bidder's Return Address</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Department of Transportation & Public Facilities Statewide Procurement Office P.O. Box 112500 Juneau, AK 99811-2500</p> <p>ITB No.: <u>2514S007</u></p> <p>Opening Date and time: <u>September 17, 2013 @ 2:30 PM AST</u></p>

ELECTRONIC BID SUBMISSION: Bids may be emailed to evan.patterson@alaska.gov, no later than the date and time listed on page one of this ITB as the deadline for receipt of bids, and must contain the ITB number in the subject line of the email. Emailed bids must be submitted as an attachment in PDF format. The entire bid, including all amendments, must be received no later than the deadline for receipt of bids. It is the bidder's responsibility to contact the issuing office at (907) 465-8446 to confirm that the entire bid has been received. Failure to follow the above instructions may result in the bid being found non-responsive and rejected.

FAX BID SUBMISSION: Bids may be faxed to (907) 465-2024, no later than the date and time listed on page one of this ITB as the deadline for receipt of bids. The entire bid, including all amendments, must be received no later than the deadline for receipt of bids. It is the bidder's responsibility to contact the issuing office at (907) 465-8446 to make arrangements prior to faxing the bid and to confirm that the entire bid has been received. Failure to follow the above instructions may result in the bid being found non-responsive and rejected.

4. PRICES: The bidder shall state prices in the units of issue on this ITB. Prices quoted for commodities must be in U.S. funds and include applicable federal duty, brokerage fees, packaging, and transportation cost to the FOB point so that upon transfer of title the commodity can be utilized without further cost. Prices quoted for services must be quoted in U.S. funds and include applicable federal duty, brokerage fee, packaging, and transportation cost so that the services can be provided without further cost. Prices quoted in bids must be exclusive of federal, state, and local taxes. If the bidder believes that certain taxes are payable by the State, the bidder may list such taxes separately, directly below the bid price for the affected item. The State is exempt from Federal Excise Tax except the following:

- Coal - Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (IRC), Section 4121 - on the purchase of coal;
- "Gas Guzzler" - IRC, Section 4064 - on the purchase of low m.p.g. automobiles, except that police and other emergency type vehicles are not subject to the tax;
- Air Cargo - IRC, Section 4271 - on the purchase of property transportation services by air;
- Air Passenger - IRC, Section 4261 - on the purchase of passenger transportation services by air carriers.
- Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Tax (LUST) - IRC, Section 4081 - on the purchase of Aviation gasoline, Diesel Fuel, Gasoline, and Kerosene.

5. VENDOR TAX ID NUMBER: If goods or services procured through this ITB are of a type that is required to be included on a Miscellaneous Tax Statement, as described in the Internal Revenue Code, a valid tax identification number must be provided to the State of Alaska before payment will be made.

6. FILING A PROTEST: A bidder may protest the award of a contract or the proposed award of a contract for supplies, services, or professional services. The protest must be filed in writing and include the following information: (1) the name, address, and telephone number of the protester; (2) the signature of the protester or the protester's representative; (3) identification of the contracting agency and the solicitation or contract at issue; (4) a detailed statement of the legal and factual grounds of the protest, including copies of relevant documents; and (5) the form of relief requested. Protests will be treated in accordance with Alaska Statutes (AS) 36.30.560-36.30.610.

CONDITIONS:

1. AUTHORITY: This ITB is written in accordance with AS 36.30 and 2 AAC 12.

- 2. COMPLIANCE:** In the performance of a contract that results from this ITB, the contractor must comply with all applicable federal, state, and borough regulations, codes, and laws; and be liable for all required insurance, licenses, permits and bonds; and pay all applicable federal, state, and borough taxes.
- 3. SUITABLE MATERIALS, ETC.:** Unless otherwise specified, all materials, supplies or equipment offered by a bidder shall be new, unused, and of the latest edition, version, model or crop and of recent manufacture.
- 4. SPECIFICATIONS:** Unless otherwise specified in the ITB, product brand names or model numbers specified in this ITB are examples of the type and quality of product required, and are not statements of preference. If the specifications describing an item conflict with a brand name or model number describing the item, the specifications govern. Reference to brand name or number does not preclude an offer of a comparable or better product, if full specifications and descriptive literature are provided for the product. Failure to provide such specifications and descriptive literature may be cause for rejection of the offer.
- 5. FIRM OFFER:** For the purpose of award, offers made in accordance with this ITB must be good and firm for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of bid opening.
- 6. EXTENSION OF PRICES:** In case of error in the extension of prices in the bid, the unit prices will govern; in a lot bid, the lot prices will govern.
- 7. BID PREPARATION COSTS:** The State is not liable for any costs incurred by the bidder in bid preparation.
- 8. CONSOLIDATION OF AWARDS:** Due to high administrative costs associated with processing of purchase orders, a single low bid of \$50 or less may, at the discretion of the State, be awarded to the next low bidder receiving other awards for consolidation purposes. This paragraph is not subject to the protest terms enumerated in "INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS", "FILING A PROTEST" above.
- 9. CONTRACT FUNDING:** Bidders are advised that funds are available for the initial purchase and/or the first term of the contract. Payment and performance obligations for succeeding purchases and/or additional terms of the contract are subject to the availability and appropriation of funds.
- 10. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** An officer or employee of the State of Alaska may not seek to acquire, be a party to, or possess a financial interest in, this contract if (1) the officer or employee is an employee of the administrative unit that supervises the award of this contract; or (2) the officer or employee has the power to take or withhold official action so as to affect the award or execution of the contract.
- 11. ASSIGNMENT(S):** Assignment of rights, duties, or payments under a contract resulting from this ITB is not permitted unless authorized in writing by the State of Alaska, Department of Administration, Division of General Services. Bids that are conditioned upon the State's approval of an assignment will be rejected as nonresponsive.
- 12. SUBCONTRACTOR(S):** Within five (5) working days of notice from the state, the apparent low bidder must submit a list of the subcontractors that will be used in the performance of the contract. The list must include the name of each subcontractor and the location of the place of business for each subcontractor and evidence of each subcontractor's valid Alaska business license.
- 13. FORCE MAJEURE (Impossibility to perform):** The contractor is not liable for the consequences of any failure to perform, or default in performing, any of its obligations under this Agreement, if that failure or default is caused by any unforeseeable Force Majeure, beyond the control of, and without the fault or negligence of, the contractor. For the purposes of this Agreement, Force Majeure will mean war (whether declared or not); revolution; invasion; insurrection; riot; civil commotion; sabotage; military or usurped power; lightning; explosion; fire; storm; drought; flood; earthquake; epidemic; quarantine; strikes; acts or restraints of governmental authorities affecting the project or directly or indirectly prohibiting or restricting the furnishing or use of materials or labor required; inability to secure materials, machinery, equipment or labor because of priority, allocation or other regulations of any governmental authorities.
- 14. LATE BIDS:** Late bids are bids received after the time and date set for receipt of the bids. Late bids will not be accepted.
- 15. CONTRACT EXTENSION:** Unless otherwise provided in this ITB, the State and the successful bidder/contractor agree: (1) that any holding over of the contract excluding any exercised renewal options, will be considered as a month-to-month extension, and all other terms and conditions shall remain in full force and effect and (2) to provide written notice to the other party of the intent to cancel such month-to-month extension at least thirty (30) days before the desired date of cancellation.
- 16. DEFAULT:** In case of default by the contractor, for any reason whatsoever, the State of Alaska may procure the goods or services from another source and hold the contractor responsible for any resulting excess cost and may seek other remedies under law or equity.
- 17. DISPUTES:** Any dispute arising out of this agreement shall be resolved under the laws of Alaska. Any appeal of an administrative order or any original action to enforce any provision of this agreement or to obtain any relief from or remedy in connection with this agreement may be brought only in the superior court for the State of Alaska.
- 18. CONSUMER ELECTRICAL PRODUCT:** AS 45.45.910 requires that "...a person may not sell, offer to sell, or otherwise transfer in the course of the person's business a consumer electrical product that is manufactured after August 14, 1990, unless the product is clearly marked as being listed by an approved third party certification program." Electrical consumer products manufactured before August 14, 1990, must either be clearly marked as being third party certified or be marked with a warning label that complies with AS 45.45.910(e). Even exempted electrical products must be marked with the warning label. By signature on this bid the bidder certifies that the product offered is in compliance with the law. A list of approved third party certifiers, warning labels and additional information is available from: Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Labor Standards & Safety Division, Mechanical Inspection Section, P.O. Box 107020, Anchorage, Alaska 99510-7020, (907)269-4925.

19. SEVERABILITY: If any provision of the contract is declared by a court to be illegal or in conflict with any law, the validity of the remaining terms and provisions will not be affected; and, the rights and obligations of the parties will be construed and enforced as if the contract did not contain the particular provision held to be invalid.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

1. ORDER DOCUMENTS: Except as specifically allowed under this ITB, an ordering agency will not sign any vendor contract. The State is not bound by a vendor contract signed by a person who is not specifically authorized to sign for the State under this ITB. The State of Alaska Purchase Order, Contract Award and Delivery Order are the only order documents that may be used to place orders against the contract(s) resulting from this ITB.

2. BILLING INSTRUCTIONS: Invoices must be billed to the ordering agency's address shown on the individual Purchase Order, Contract Award or Delivery Order, not to the Division of General Services. The ordering agency will make payment after it receives the merchandise or service and the invoice. Questions concerning payment must be addressed to the ordering agency.

3. CONTINUING OBLIGATION OF CONTRACTOR: Notwithstanding the expiration date of a contract resulting from this ITB, the contractor is obligated to fulfill its responsibilities until warranty, guarantee, maintenance and parts availability requirements have completely expired.

PREFERENCES:

1. ALASKA BIDDER PREFERENCE: Award will be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder after an Alaska bidder preference of five percent (5%) has been applied. The preference will be given to a person who: (1) holds a current Alaska business license at the time designated in the invitation to bid for bid opening; (2) submits a bid for goods or services under the name on the Alaska business license; (3) has maintained a place of business within the state staffed by the bidder, or an employee of the bidder, for a period of six months immediately preceding the date of the bid; (4) is incorporated or qualified to do business under the laws of the state, is a sole proprietorship and the proprietor is a resident of the state, is a limited liability company organized under AS 10.50 and all members are residents of the state, or is a partnership under AS 32.06 or AS 32.11 and all partners are residents of the state; and, (5) if a joint venture, is composed entirely of ventures that qualify under (1) - (4) of this subsection. AS 36.30.170, AS 36.30.321(a) and AS 36.30.990[25]

2. ALASKA VETERAN PREFERENCE: If a bidder qualifies for the Alaska bidder preference under AS 36.30.321(a) and AS 36.30.990[25] and is a qualifying entity as defined in AS 36.30.321(f), they will be awarded an Alaska veteran preference of five percent (5%). The preference will be given to a (1) sole proprietorship owned by an Alaska veteran; (2) partnership under AS 32.06 or AS 32.11 if a majority of the partners are Alaska veterans; (3) limited liability company organized under AS 10.50 if a majority of the members are Alaska veterans; or (4) corporation that is wholly owned by individuals and a majority of the individuals are Alaska veterans, and may not exceed \$5,000. The bidder must also add value by actually performing, controlling, managing, and supervising the services provided, or for supplies, the bidder must have sold supplies of the general nature solicited to other state agencies, other governments, or the general public - AS 36.30.321(i).

3. USE OF LOCAL FOREST PRODUCTS: In a project financed by state money in which the use of timber, lumber and manufactured lumber is required, only timber, lumber and manufactured lumber products originating in this state from Alaska forests shall be used unless the use of those products has been determined to be impractical, in accordance with AS 36.15.010 and AS 36.30.322.

4. LOCAL AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERIES PRODUCTS PREFERENCE: When agricultural, dairy, timber, lumber, or fisheries products are purchased using state money, a seven percent (7%) preference shall be applied to the price of the products harvested in Alaska, or in the case of fisheries products, the products harvested or processed within the jurisdiction of Alaska, in accordance with AS 36.15.050.

5. ALASKA PRODUCT PREFERENCE: A bidder that designates the use of an Alaska Product which meets the requirements of the ITB specification and is designated as a Class I, Class II or Class III Alaska Product by the Department of Community & Economic Development shall receive a preference in the bid evaluation in accordance with AS 36.30.332 and 3 AAC 92.010.

6. EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM PREFERENCE: If a bidder qualifies for the Alaska bidder preference under AS 36.30.321(a) and AS 36.30.990[25], and is offering goods or services through an employment program as defined under 36.30.990(11), they will be awarded an Employment Program Preference of fifteen percent (15%) in accordance with AS 36.30.321(b).

7. ALASKANS WITH DISABILITIES PREFERENCE: If a bidder qualifies for the Alaska bidder preference under AS 36.30.321(a) and AS 36.30.990[25], and is a qualifying entity as defined in AS 36.30.321(d), they will be awarded an Alaskans with Disabilities Preference of ten percent (10%) in accordance with AS 36.30.321(d). A bidder may not receive both an Employment Program Preference and an Alaskans with Disabilities Preference.

8. PREFERENCE QUALIFICATION LETTER: Regarding preferences 6 and 7 above, the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation in the Department of Labor and Workforce Development maintains lists of Alaskan; [1] employment programs that qualify for preference, and [2] individuals who qualify for preference as Alaskan's with disabilities. In accordance with AS 36.30.321(i), in order to qualify for one of these preferences, a bidder must add value by actually performing, controlling, managing, and supervising the services provided, or for supplies, a bidder must have sold supplies of the general nature solicited to other state agencies, governments, or the general public.

As evidence of an individual's or a business' right to a certain preference, the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation will issue a certification letter. To take advantage of the preferences 6 or 7 above, an individual or business must be on the appropriate Division of Vocational Rehabilitation list at the time the bid is opened, and must attach a copy of their certification letter to their bid. The bidder's failure to provide this certification letter with their bid will cause the State to disallow the preference.

ALASKA BUSINESS LICENSE AND OTHER REQUIRED LICENSES: Prior to the award of a contract, a bidder must hold a valid Alaska business license. However, in order to receive the Alaska Bidder Preference and other related preferences, such as the Alaska Veteran and Alaskans with Disabilities Preference, a bidder must hold a valid Alaska business license at the time designated for bid opening. Bidders should contact the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development, Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing, P. O. Box 110806, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0806, for information on these licenses.

Acceptable evidence that the bidder possesses a valid Alaska business license may consist of any one of the following:

- (a) copy of an Alaska business license;
- (b) certification on the bid that the bidder has a valid Alaska business license and has included the license number in the bid (see front page);
- (c) a canceled check for the Alaska business license fee;
- (d) a copy of the Alaska business license application with a receipt stamp from the state's occupational licensing office; or
- (e) a sworn and notarized affidavit that the bidder has applied and paid for the Alaska business license.

You are not required to hold a valid Alaska business license at the time bids are opened if you possess one of the following licenses and are offering services or supplies under that specific line of business:

- fisheries business licenses issued by Alaska Department of Revenue or Alaska Department of Fish and Game,
- liquor licenses issued by Alaska Department of Revenue for alcohol sales only,
- insurance licenses issued by Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development, Division of Insurance, or
- Mining licenses issued by Alaska Department of Revenue.

At the time designated for bid opening, all bidders must hold any other necessary applicable professional licenses required by Alaska Statute.

ALASKA BIDDER PREFERENCE: An Alaska Bidder Preference of five percent will be applied prior to evaluation. The preference will be given to a bidder who:

1. holds a current Alaska business license at the time designated for bid opening;
2. submits a proposal for goods or services under the name appearing on the bidder's current Alaska business license;
3. has maintained a place of business within the state staffed by the bidder, or an employee of the bidder, for a period of six months immediately preceding the date of the bid;
4. is incorporated or qualified to do business under the laws of the state, is a sole proprietorship and the proprietor is a resident of the state, is a limited liability company (LLC) organized under AS 10.50 and all members are residents of the state, or is a partnership under AS 32.06 or AS 32.11 and all partners are residents of the state; and
5. if a joint venture, is composed entirely of ventures that qualify under (1)-(4) of this subsection.

Alaska Bidder Preference Affidavit

In order to receive the Alaska Bidder Preference, the bid must also include a statement certifying that the bidder is eligible to receive the Alaska Bidder Preference.

If the bidder is a LLC or partnership as identified in (4) of this subsection, the affidavit must also identify each member or partner and include a statement certifying that all members or partners are residents of the state.

If the bidder is a joint venture which includes a LLC or partnership as identified in (4) of this subsection, the affidavit must also identify each member or partner of each LLC or partnership that is included in the joint venture and include a statement certifying that all of those members or partners are residents of the state.

BIDDERS WITH DISABILITIES: The State of Alaska complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Individuals with disabilities who may need auxiliary aids, services, and/or special modifications to participate in this procurement should contact the Commissioner's Office at one of the following numbers no later than 10 days prior to bid opening to make any necessary arrangements.

Telephone: (907) 465-8446

Fax: (907) 465-2024

COMPLIANCE WITH ADA: By signature of their bid the bidder certifies that they comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the regulations issued thereunder by the federal government. Services or activities furnished to the general public on behalf of the state must be fully accessible. This is intended to ensure that agencies are in accordance with 28 CFR Part 35 Section 35.130 and that services, programs or activities furnished to the public through a contract do not subject qualified individuals with a disability to discrimination based on the disability.

Preference Qualification: In order to qualify for an Employment Program Preference, an Alaskans With Disabilities Preference or an Employers Of People With Disabilities Preference, a bidder must add value by actually performing, controlling, managing, and supervising the services provided, or a bidder must have sold supplies of the general nature solicited to other state agencies, governments, or the general public.

CONTRACT PERFORMANCE LOCATION: By signature on their bid, the bidder certifies that all services provided under this contract by the contractor and all subcontractors shall be performed in the United States. Failure to comply with this requirement may cause the state to reject the bid or proposal as non-responsive, or cancel the contract.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING: By signature on their bid, the bidder certifies that the bidder is not established and headquartered or incorporated and headquartered in a country recognized as Tier 3 in the most recent United States Department of State's Trafficking in Persons Report. The most recent United States Department of State's Trafficking in Persons Report can be found at the following website: <http://www.state.gov/g/tip/>

Failure to comply with this requirement will cause the state to reject the bid as non-responsive, or cancel the contract.

CONTRACT INTENT: To provide a non-mandatory contract for the as-needed purchase of original equipment manufacturer (OEM) authorized parts and service to support various Caterpillar power systems installed on Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS) vessels.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD: After the responses to this ITB have been opened and evaluated, a tabulation of the bids will be prepared. This tabulation, called a Notice of Intent to Award, serves two purposes. It lists the name of each company or person that offered a bid and the price they bid. It also provides notice of the state's intent to award a contract(s) to the bidder(s) indicated. A copy of the Notice of Intent will be mailed to each company or person who responded to the ITB. Bidders identified as the apparent low responsive bidders are instructed not to proceed until a Purchase Order, Contract Award, Lease, or some other form of written notice is given by the contracting officer. A company or person who proceeds prior to receiving a Purchase Order, Contract Award, Lease, or some other form of written notice from the contracting officer does so without a contract and at their own risk.

PAYMENT FOR STATE PURCHASES: Payment for agreements under \$500,000 for the undisputed purchase of goods or services provided to a state agency, will be made within 30 days of the receipt of a proper billing or the delivery of the goods or services to the location(s) specified in the agreement, whichever is later. A late payment is subject

to 1.5% interest per month on the unpaid balance. Interest will not be paid if there is a dispute or if there is an agreement that establishes a lower interest rate or precludes the charging of interest.

INDEMNIFICATION: The contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the contracting agency from and against any claim of, or liability for error, omission or negligent act of the contractor under this agreement. The contractor shall not be required to indemnify the contracting agency for a claim of, or liability for, the independent negligence of the contracting agency. If there is a claim of, or liability for, the joint negligent error or omission of the contractor and the independent negligence of the Contracting agency, the indemnification and hold harmless obligation shall be apportioned on a comparative fault basis. "Contractor" and "Contracting agency", as used within this and the following article, include the employees, agents and other contractors who are directly responsible, respectively, to each. The term "independent negligence" is negligence other than in the Contracting agency's selection, administration, monitoring, or controlling of the contractor and in approving or accepting the contractor's work.

INSURANCE: Without limiting contractor's indemnification, it is agreed that contractor shall purchase at its own expense and maintain in force at all times during the performance of services under this agreement the following policies of insurance. Where specific limits are shown, it is understood that they shall be the minimum acceptable limits. If the contractor's policy contains higher limits, the state shall be entitled to coverage to the extent of such higher limits. Certificates of Insurance must be furnished to the contracting officer prior to beginning work and must provide for a 30-day prior notice of cancellation, non-renewal or material change of conditions. Failure to furnish satisfactory evidence of insurance or lapse of the policy is a material breach of this contract and shall be grounds for termination of the contractor's services. All insurance policies shall comply with, and be issued by insurers licensed to transact the business of insurance under AS 21.

Proof of insurance is required for the following:

2.1 Workers' Compensation Insurance: The contractor shall provide and maintain, for all employees engaged in work under this contract, coverage as required by AS 23.30.045, and; where applicable, any other statutory obligations including but not limited to Federal U.S.L. & H. and Jones Act requirements. The policy must waive subrogation against the state.

2.2 Commercial General Liability Insurance: covering all business premises and operations used by the contractor in the performance of services under this agreement with minimum coverage limits of \$300,000 combined single limit per occurrence.

2.3 Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance: covering all vehicles used by the contractor in the performance of services under this agreement with minimum coverage limits of \$300,000 combined single limit per occurrence.

Failure to supply satisfactory proof of insurance within the time required will cause the State to declare the bidder non-responsible and to reject the bid.

FIRM, UNQUALIFIED AND UNCONDITIONAL OFFER: Bidders must provide enough information with their bid to constitute a definite, firm, unqualified and unconditional offer. To be responsive a bid must constitute a definite, firm, unqualified and unconditional offer to meet all of the material terms of the ITB. Material terms are those that could affect the price, quantity, quality, or delivery. Also included as material terms are those which are clearly identified in the ITB and which, for reasons of policy, must be complied with at risk of bid rejection for non-responsiveness.

THIRD-PARTY FINANCING AGREEMENTS NOT ALLOWED: Because of the additional administrative and accounting time required of State agencies when third party financing agreements are permitted, they will not be allowed under this contract.

CONTINUING OBLIGATION OF CONTRACTOR: Regardless of the terms and conditions of any third-party financing agreement, the contractor agrees that none of its responsibilities under this contract are transferable and that the contractor alone will continue to be solely responsible until the expiration date of the contract. Such responsibilities include, but are not limited to, the provision of equipment, training, warranty service,

maintenance, parts and the provision of consumable supplies. By signature on the face page of this ITB the bidder acknowledges this requirement and indicates unconditional acceptance of this continuing obligation clause.

INVOICE AND PAYMENT: Invoices must be sent directly to the address shown on the individual Purchase Order. The State will only make payment after it receives the merchandise or service and the invoice. Question concerning payment must be addressed to the ordering agency.

Prior to leaving each service call the Service Tech shall have the vessel Chief Engineer sign a service call form (contractor provided). This confirmation of service call shall accompany the subsequent invoice. Invoices will not be paid without a service call confirmation signature.

CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION: The administration of this contract is the responsibility of the Marine Engineering Manager, Alaska Marine Highway System, 7037 North Tongass Highway, Ketchikan, AK 99901.

CONTRACT PERIOD: Date of award through December 31, 2014 with four (4) optional one-year renewals to be exercised solely by the state.

CONTRACT FUNDING: Purchase orders awarded under this contract will be subject to funds already appropriated and identified.

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS: Price adjustments will be applied per the manufactures published hourly rates and the manufacturers price list. Retroactive price adjustments will not be allowed.

Parts shall be based on the manufacturers price list and shall remain firm until the issuance of a revised price list. Revised price Lists shall be submitted to the contract administrator within 14 days of the date of issuance. If requested by using agencies, the contractor must also provide the revised price list within 14 days of an agency's request.

Bid prices shall be a percentage (in minimum increments of one tenth of a percent) that will be deducted from (discount), or no (zero) discount or markup deducted from or added to, the most current price list. No additional charges will be allowed. Bid evaluation will be based on a hypothetical purchase as set forth in the Bid Schedule. The discount and any applicable Alaska preferences will be applied to arrive at the final price for bid evaluation.

Contract users may negotiate discounts for the purchase of parts.

PRICE DECREASES: During the period of the contract all price decreases experienced by the contractor must be passed on to the state. A contractor's failure to strictly and faithfully adhere to this clause, within the time required, will be considered in breach of contract.

SERVICE CHARGES: Regardless whether the contractor repairs equipment on-site or off-site, the state will not be liable for any charges associated with the repair of broken equipment, including, but not limited to, unhooking, disassembly, packaging, crating, repair, transportation, replacement, reassembly, or rewiring.

PARTS: Only parts designed for the purpose they are being used, and warranted as new, may be used in the repair of state equipment.

COMPLETION OF SERVICE: The service will not be complete and the equipment will not be considered serviced, repaired, or acceptable until it performs in compliance with the manufacturer's published performance specifications.

SERVICE TECHNICIAN QUALIFICATIONS: Bidders must provide evidence that the business performing the service work has a minimum of five (5) years' experience servicing and repairing Caterpillar marine diesel engines and be certified or authorized by the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM).

Acceptable evidence of the service technician's competence may take the form of a letter or certificate, signed by an authorized officer of the manufacturer, that the service technician has been trained and authorized by the manufacturer.

The bidder's failure to provide the evidence mentioned above, within the time required by the state, may cause the state to consider the bid non-responsive and reject the bid.

WORKMANSHIP & MATERIALS: All work must be performed in a thorough and workmanlike manner and in accordance with current industry practices. The contractor will be held responsible for the quality of the service, maintenance and inspections. Service, maintenance and inspections that are improperly done will be done over, by the contractor, at the contractor's risk and expense. Contractor shall provide all parts, tools and equipment for services under the resulting contract.

TRAVEL: Travel must be preapproved by the project manager. The State will reimburse the Contractor's actual receipted travel expenses per the following criteria:

- Airfare is limited to coach fare
- Lodging
- Reimbursement for meals will not exceed \$60.00 per day
- Rental vehicles are limited to mid-size or less make and model as opposed to premium options
- All travel costs must be shown as separate line items on the invoice
- Actual receipts must be provided with invoice for all travel expenses

Any travel must comply to the greatest possible extent with the following State of Alaska Travel policies (AAM 60 Travel.pdf) located at: <http://doa.alaska.gov/dof/manuals/aam>

TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT: If the project director determines that the contractor has refused to perform the work or has failed to perform the work with such diligence as to ensure its timely and accurate completion, the state may, by providing written notice to the contractor, terminate the contractor's right to proceed with part or all of the remaining work.

This clause does not restrict the state's termination rights under the contract provisions of the standard terms and conditions.

ALTERATIONS: The contractor must obtain the written approval from the contracting officer prior to making any alterations to the specifications contained in this ITB. The state will not pay for alterations that are not approved in advance and in writing by the contracting officer.

CONTRACT CHANGES: During the course of this contract, the contractor may be required to perform additional work. That work will be within the general scope of the initial contract. When additional work is required, the project director will provide the contractor a written description of the additional work and request the contractor to submit a firm time schedule for accomplishing the additional work and a firm price for the additional work. Cost and pricing data must be provided to justify the cost of such amendments per AS 36.30.400.

The contractor will not commence additional work until the project manager has secured any required state approvals necessary for the amendment and issued a written contract amendment, approved by the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation & Public Facilities or the Commissioner's designee.

METHOD OF AWARD: Award will be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS: The state reserves the right to add or remove vessels and individual power systems to the resulting contract.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: A minimum of five (5) years doing business as an authorized Caterpillar OEM parts distributor and a Caterpillar authorized service location. Bidders shall publish the manufactures price list online . Bidders not meeting these minimum qualifications may be found non-responsive and their bid rejected.

SCOPE OF WORK

1.00 Scope of Work

The Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, Division of Alaska Marine Highway System (DOT&PF) seeks to establish a contract that will provide as-needed OEM parts and service to the Caterpillar main engines, generators and emergency generators installed on AMHS vessels.

The subsequent contract will establish the terms and conditions, labor rates, and parts price discounts. An officer from the vessel or a procurement specialist will call with a request for service and/or materials. The contractor shall provide an estimate. Only after the contractor receives confirmation of a purchase order shall charges be incurred.

Service calls may be scheduled ahead of time or emergency calls requiring prompt response may be requested. The contractor shall be available for emergency service and for telephone consultations.

2.00 Services

When directed by the AMHS project manager the contractor will provide all labor, tools, parts, materials and transportation to perform preventative maintenance services and code-mandated safety/mechanical inspections and evaluation on AMHS vessels.

2.01 Rebuilding or replacement of major components.

2.02 Performing general maintenance or repair.

2.03 Repair of damage resulting from causes other than negligence of the contractor or contractor's employee(s).

2.04 All work, whether on the order or not, must be pre-approved by the requesting agency. If the contractor determines some work need not be performed or additional work, if required, should be performed, the order will be revised by the agency. Changes to a proposal will require approval prior to commencing work.

3.00 Parts

The contract provides for the purchase of parts to support the engines identified. The contractor shall assist the AMHS personnel in identifying the correct part numbers. Items shall be shipped to the locations identified in the resulting purchase order. Freight shall be prepaid and added in accordance with the instructions on the purchase order. The contractor shall provide a new parts price list to the AMHS project manager each time a new price list is updated and published.

4.00 Service Reports

The contractor shall provide a written service report or maintenance certificate to the Vessel Engineer before leaving the vessel. The report shall briefly indicate the maintenance and inspection actions performed. Any deficiencies or recommendations shall be noted. To meet ISM requirements, the service report shall also include the following details; vessel, date, time, location, name of equipment inspected, Service Technician's name, and Engineer's name.

5.00 Completion of Service

The service will not be complete and the equipment will not be considered serviced, repaired, installed and acceptable until it performs in compliance with the manufacturer's published performance specifications.

6.00 Warranty

The contractor shall repair equipment in compliance with the latest adopted Safety Codes and all other codes and regulations (U.S. Coast Guard and American Bureau of Shipping) applicable to AMHS vessels. If a conflict exists between code provisions, the most stringent shall apply.

- 6.01 The contractor shall promptly report to the AMHS vessel engineer all known equipment deficiencies and provide prompt cost proposals for corrective work outside the scope of the current purchase order.
- 6.02 The contractor warrants services rendered against faulty materials and workmanship for a minimum of at least six (6) months or the manufacturer's standard warranty whichever is longer. If during this period, faults develop with the services rendered, they will be repaired and or replaced without cost to the state for the part(s) or labor.
- 6.03 The state is not responsible for identifying conflicting warranty conditions before issuing a contract award or order. After award of the contract:
 - a. If a conflict arises between a supplemental warranty and the warranty in this contract, the warranty in the contract will prevail.
- 6.04 If the state's rights are diminished as a result of application of a supplemental warranty, the supplemental warranty will be considered null and void and the contract warranty will prevail.
- 6.05 The contractor agrees that warranties and other agreements will not be voided or invalidated if state personnel properly disassembles, maintains, assembles, services, repairs and installs parts/equipment outlined in this contract. Disputes arising from this section will be determined on a case by case basis by the procurement officer.

7.00 Working Hours

- 7.01 The contractor shall coordinate equipment service in advance with the vessel's chief engineer, and notify the chief engineer before any work begins and again when work is complete. All times are Alaska Standard Time (AST).
- 7.02 Standard weekday hours are defined as 8 AM to 5 PM, Monday through Friday.
- 7.03 Weekday Overtime hours are defined as 5 PM to 8AM Monday through Friday.
- 7.04 Weekend hours are all working hours conducted during the weekend, Saturday through Sunday.
- 7.05 Holiday hours are all working hours conducted during State of Alaska observed holidays. The State calendar can be found at the following link: <http://doa.alaska.gov/calendars.html>
- 7.06 Stand-by time not attributable to the contractor may be billed to AMHS at the applicable hourly rate set forth in the Bid Schedule. Contractor must provide written documentation from AMHS that explains reason(s) for stand-by time. Contractor may proceed with work with permission from AMHS.
- 7.07 AMHS may cancel a service call within 24 hours of the scheduled arrival time of contractor at the job site location and not be billed for a cancelation charge.

8.00 Manufacturers Price List (MPL)

MPL shall be from an authorized Caterpillar distributor. An electronic version shall be available and provided to the AMHS project manager.

BID SCHEDULE - CATERPILLAR PARTS AND SERVICE

The following bid schedule is provided for evaluation purposes only. A contract will be awarded to the OEM certified contractor that submits the total lowest priced bid. The State does not guarantee any level of work may be required for the resulting contract(s). The rates and percentage discounts identified below shall be the rates and percentage discounts incorporated into the contract. Stated quantities are estimated and used for evaluation purposes only. The State does not guarantee a minimum or maximum amount. Submission of an incomplete bid schedule may cause the State to find the bid non-responsive and reject the bid.

OEM Service Charges Shop Rate				
Labor Categories	Unit	Unit Rate (X)	Quantity (=)	Extended Price
Technician, Regular rate	Hour	\$	40	\$
Technician, Overtime rate	Hour	\$	10	\$
Technician, Weekend	Hour	\$	10	\$
Technician, Holiday	Hour	\$	2	\$
Telephone Consultation	Hour	\$	40	\$
A. Total Extended Cost				\$

OEM Parts Discount			
<small>(estimated annual cost X percent discount = Y) estimated annual cost – Y = extended cost</small>			
Part Category	Estimated annual cost	Percent Discount	Extended Cost
Air filters	\$20,000	%	\$
Fuel filters	\$10,000	%	\$
Oil filters	\$15,000	%	\$
B. Total Extended Cost			\$

C. Total Bid Cost (A + B = C) \$

BIDDER'S ADDRESS & COMPANY NAME:

Company Name

Contact

Mailing Address

Phone Number

City, State, Zip

Fax Number

Email Address

Do you qualify for the Alaska Bidders' Preference?
[] Yes [] No

Do you qualify for the Alaska Veteran Preference?
[] Yes [] No

BIDDERS RESPONSE CHECK LIST:

- Complete and submit Page 1 of the ITB
- Provide Alaska Business License Number
- Complete and submit Bid Schedule