

Duluth Transit Authority

REQUEST FOR BIDS

FOR

ELEVATOR INSPECTION AND REPAIR SERVICES

October 24, 2024

Duluth Transit Authority

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RFB Overview

The Duluth Transit Authority (“DTA”) hereby requests quotes from qualified firms to provide Elevator Inspection and Repair services at three Duluth Transit Authority properties. Specifications are available at the DTA and may be emailed to prospective contractors. Contact kwood@duluthtransit.com or (218) 623-4324. Responses must be received no later than **10:00 A.M. on Thursday, October 31.**

The DTA is committed to ensuring that no person is excluded from participation in or denied the benefits of its programs and services on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, or veteran’s status, and encourages the participation of small and disadvantaged business enterprises in the performance of this contract. The DTA reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all Bids in the best interest of the Authority.

Key Dates of Procurement		
RFB Issued	Thursday, 10/24/24	
Requests for Clarification	Monday, 10/28/24	1:00 PM
Answers and Clarifications	Wednesday, 10/30/24	
Bid Opening	Thursday, 10/31/2024	10:00 AM
Award	As early as 10/31/2024	

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Section 1 General Conditions

G-1 REQUEST FOR BIDS

- a. The Duluth Transit Authority (“DTA”) is requesting bids from qualified vendors to provide on-call Elevator Inspection and Repair Services three DTA properties:

Facility Name	Facility Address	Number of Elevators
DTA Operations Center (OPS)	2402 West Michigan Street, Duluth, MN 55806	1
Duluth Transit Center (DTC)	228 West Superior Street, Duluth, MN 55802	2
Transit Center East (TCE)	214 West Superior Street	1

- b. Bids shall be on the proposed rates and costs for the project under the requirements and conditions set forth herein.
- c. Bid Price shall be good for 90 days after the Bid Due Date.
- d. Respondent shall pay all precontractual expenses, including expenses for preparing or submitting a Bid in response to this request, negotiating with the DTA on any matter related to this Request For Bids (“RFB”), and/or other expenses incurred by the Respondent prior to the date of award.
- e. Electronic Bids are due at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 31, via email, and shall be sent to kwood@duluthtransit.com.
- f. The DTA intends to award the contract to the responsible Respondent as early as Thursday, October 31, 2024.
- g. This project is funded in part by a grant from the Minnesota Department of Transportation and the Federal Transit Administration, Assistance Listing 20.507, Federal Transit Formula Grants.

G-2 SELECTION CRITERIA

Except when it is determined not to be in the DTA’s best interests, the DTA will evaluate Bid by adding the total price for option years to the total price for the basic requirements. Evaluation of options will not obligate the DTA to exercise the option.

G-2 INQUIRIES

All inquiries and other correspondence relating to this Request For Bids should be emailed to: Duluth Transit Authority Procurement Manager, kwood@duluthtransit.com or by calling 218-623-4324.

G-3 DEFINITION OF TERMS

Whenever the following terms are used in these Bid specifications, the intent and meaning of them shall be interpreted as follows:

- a. DTA, customer, buyer, or Operator shall mean the DTA.
- b. Project Manager shall mean Mr. Mark Ness, Director of Maintenance.
- c. Manufacturer, Vendor, Bidder, or Contractor shall mean that firm submitting the lowest, responsive, and responsible Bid and subsequently receiving the Contract award from the DTA as detailed in these specifications.

G-4 SUBSTITUTIONS AND OR EQUAL

- a. Where proprietary names are used in these specifications, it is understood that they are followed by the words “or equal”.
- b. Please note that DTA personnel are NOT allowed to discuss the RFB with anyone, including Bidders, before the Bid submission deadline without permission, except that prime contractors and /or subcontractors may make appointments to discuss these specifications with the Procurement Manager. This, however, does not relieve them from the written, documented request required by paragraph c) below. Where prior approval is called for in the specifications it means prior to Bid opening. Responses to questions will be provided to all Bidders in the form of an addendum to this RFB.
- c. Requests for approved equals, clarifications of specifications, and protest of specifications must be received by the Procurement Manager in writing via email to kwood@duluthtransit.com no later than 1:00 p.m. on Monday, October 28, 2024. Any request for an approved equal must be fully supported with technical data, test results, or other pertinent information as evidence that the substitute offered is equal to or better than the

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specifications that pertain to an item under consideration. The supporting evidence for the approved equal must be submitted with the request for approval.

- d. The replies to request under paragraph c) above will be posted in the form of an addendum to this RFB on the DTA website at www.duluthtransit.com/doingbusinesswithus on Wednesday, October 30th.
- e. Changes to the specifications will be made only by written addendum.

G-5 SELECTION CRITERIA

The DTA will choose based on the lowest responsive and responsible Bidder.

G-6 PREPARATION OF BID

Bids must be submitted on the forms attached. All blanks in the Bid form must be completed with ink or typewriter. Bids containing alterations or erasures may be rejected unless the alteration or erasure is corrected by crossing out the error, inserting the correction adjacent thereto with ink or typewriter and initialing the correction in ink by the person signing the Bid. In the event any price term is expressed by the Bidder in both written and numerical form, the **written** representation shall govern in the event of an inconsistency.

Bids shall not stipulate any condition not contained in the specifications and other documents submitted for Bid.

Each Bid and all files bound and attached thereto, shall be emailed in a pdf attachment to kwood@duluthtransit.com, marked: ***"Elevator Inspection and Repair Services RFB"***.

Bids must be received no later than **10:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 31, 2024**. Time means local time in Duluth, Minnesota. Late Bids will not be considered. Fax Bids and Paper Bids will not be considered. The DTA reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all Bids in the best interest of the Authority.

No Bid may be modified after submission except by written modification received by the DTA via email at kwood@duluthtransit.com prior to the time set for the opening of Bids. Modifications must be signed by the person submitting the Bid or accompanied by an explanation as to why it is not and must indicate that it modifies the original Bid. Modifications shall be submitted in a pdf attachment to an email and marked as indicated on the Bid Form.

G-7 WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

A Bidder may withdraw its Bid at any time before the time set for the opening of the Bids only in writing addressed to the DTA marked "WITHDRAWAL OF BID" and emailed to the DTA Procurement Manager at kwood@duluthtransit.com prior to the time for the opening of Bids.

G-8 CONSIDERATION OF BID

The DTA reserves the right, in the determination of the lowest, responsive and responsible Bidder, to consider the ultimate economy of the Bid within the guidelines of these specifications, to reject any and/or all Bids, including, but not limited to the determination that the Bid was incomplete, non-responsive, obscure or lacking the necessary details and specificity, that the Bidder lacks qualifications, experience and/or responsibility necessary to provide the goods and services, or that Bidder failed or neglected to complete and submit any information within the time specified. The DTA may cancel the RFB, issue subsequent RFBs, or waive any errors or informalities in any Bid, in the best interests of the DTA.

G-9 ADDENDA

It is the Bidder's responsibility to assure the receipt of all addenda to this Request for Bids. All documents will be posted online at www.duluthtransit.com/doingbusinesswithus. In addition, Bidders may request a copy of the bidding documents by emailing kwood@duluthtransit.com

G-10 BID CONTENTS CERTIFICATION

By submitting a Bid, the Bidder warrants that the information provided is true, correct and reliable for purposes of Contract award. The submission of inaccurate or misleading information may be grounds for

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disqualification from Contract award and may be subject the Bidder to suspension or debarment proceedings, as well as other remedies available to the DTA.

G-11 CONTRACT FORM AND CHANGES

A sample Contract is included in this RFB. Any proposed change in this Contract or Purchase Agreement shall be submitted to the DTA for its prior approval. Only written change orders, amendments or addenda, signed by the General Manager of the DTA, shall be binding upon the DTA.

The chosen Bidder, within twenty (20) days after the award of the Contract from the DTA shall sign the formal Contract or purchase agreement.

G-12 Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity. This is an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity ("IDIQ") Contract. The quantities of products or services in the Contract are not guaranteed and are subject to the discretion of the DTA Project Manager or designee.

Delivery of the Work under this Contract shall be performed in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions of this Contract, including any and all attachments incorporated by reference herein and modifications hereto.

There is no limit to the amount of services provided under this Contract, except by order of the DTA Project Manager or designee.

On occasion, the DTA may issue a Task Order for specific work germane to the contract to be done at the DTA's direction. Task Order Work shall be provided in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions of this Contract, including any and all attachments incorporated by reference herein and modifications hereto. The DTA shall not be required to issue a Task Order for routine Work that is the subject of this Contract.

The DTA specifically reserves the right to directly perform the work or any portion of the work covered under this Contract at the discretion of the DTA Project Manager. No compensation will be paid to the Contractor for work not performed by the Contractor or its subcontractors.

G-13 PROTEST PROCEDURES

Protests will only be accepted from prospective Proposers whose direct economic interest would be affected by the award of a contract or refusal to award a contract. The General Manager will consider all such protests, whether submitted before or after the award of a contract. If oral objections are raised and the matter cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the objector, a written protest shall be required before any further consideration is given. Protest submissions should be concise, logically arranged, and clearly state the grounds for the protest. Protest must include at least the following information:

- Name, address, and telephone number of protestor
- Identification of the solicitation or contract number
- A detailed statement of the legal and factual grounds of protest including copies of relevant documents
- A statement as to what relief is requested

All protest documents received by the General Manager shall be stamped with date and time received and logged into a protest file folder with a copy to the Master File.

PROTESTS BEFORE AWARD

Protests before award must be submitted within the time as specified herein. If the written protest is not received by the time specified, the evaluation process shall continue in the normal manner unless the Procurement Officer, upon investigation, finds that remedial action is desirable, in which event such action shall be taken.

The protests addressing the adequacy of the Request for Proposal, including, without limitation, the pre-award procedure, the Instructions to Proposers, General Terms and Conditions, Technical Specifications and Scope of Work, must be filed at the Administration Department no later than three days before the scheduled opening date of the proposal. Thereafter, such issues are deemed waived by all interested parties.

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Notice of protest and the basis therefor shall be given to all bidders or proposers. In addition, when a protest against the making of an award is received and the Director of Administration determines to withhold the award pending disposition of the protest, proposers whose proposals might become eligible for award shall be requested, before expiration of the time for acceptance of their proposals, to extend the time for acceptance (with consent of sureties, if any) to avoid the need for readvertising.

When a written protest against the making of an award is received, award shall not be made until five days after the matter is resolved, unless the General Manager determines that:

- the items to be procured are urgently required; or
- delivery or performance will be unduly delayed by failure to make the award promptly; or
- failure to make prompt award will otherwise cause undue harm to DTA or the State or the Federal Government.

In the event the General Manager determines that the award is to be made during the five-day period or during the pendency of protest, he/she shall notify the FTA prior to make such award. FTA preserves the right not to participate in such procurement.

If award is made, the Director of Administration shall document the file to explain the need for an award, and shall give written notice of the decision to proceed with the award to the protestor and, as appropriate, to others concerned.

PROTESTS AFTER AWARD

Protests against award must be filed at the Finance Department within five days immediately following the award. The Director of Administration shall review the protests. The contractor shall be furnished with the notice of protest and the basis therefor. Also, when it appears likely that an award may be invalidated and a delay in receiving the supplies or services is not prejudicial to DTA's interest, the Director of Administration shall inform the contractor that DTA will not be responsible if the award is set aside and that the contractor proceeds with performance at his/her own risk.

DECISION ON PROTEST

The General Manager shall render his/her decision in writing within 14 days from the receipt of the written protest and shall provide written notice of such decision to all interested parties.

Following an adverse decision by the General Manager, the protestor may file a protest with FTA. For details, see FTA Circular 4220.1F, as amended, which states that FTA will only review protests regarding the alleged failure of a grantee (here, the DTA) to have written protest procedures or alleged failure to follow such procedures.

G-14 ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

1. An organizational conflict of interest means that because of other activities or relationships with other persons or entities, a Contractor is unable, or potentially unable to render impartial assistance or advice to the DTA, or the Contractor's objectivity in performing the contract work is, or might be otherwise impaired, or the Contractor has an unfair competitive advantage. Organizational conflict of interest includes situations where the capacity of a Contractor (including the Contractor's executives, directors, consultants, subsidiaries, parent companies or subcontractors) to give impartial, technically sound advice or objective assistance is or may be impaired or may otherwise result in a biased work product because of any past, present or planned interest, financial or otherwise, in the DTA. The Contractor is responsible for maintaining and providing up to date conflict of interest information to the DTA's Director of Administration. If, after award of this contract or task order, the Contractor discovers a conflict of interest with respect to this contract or task order which could not reasonably have been known prior to award, or if any additional conflicts or potential conflicts arise after award, the Contractor shall give written notice to the DTA's Director of Finance as set forth below.
2. The Contractor's notice called for in paragraph 2 above shall describe the actual, apparent or potential conflict of interest, the action(s) the Contractor has taken or proposes to take to avoid or mitigate any conflict, and shall set forth any other information which the Contractor believes would be helpful to the DTA's Director of Administration in analyzing the situation.
3. The Contractor has the responsibility of formulating and forwarding a proposed mitigation plan to the DTA's Director of Administration for review and consideration. This responsibility arises when the Contractor first learns of an actual,

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apparent, or potential conflict of interest. Corporate counsel review of the proposed mitigation plan is necessary to ensure a timely review and final determination by the DTA's Director of Administration.

4. If the DTA's Director of Administration, in his/her discretion, determines that the Contractor's actual, apparent or potential conflict of interest remains, or the measures proposed are insufficient to avoid or mitigate the conflict, the DTA's Director of Administration will direct a course of action to the Contractor designed to avoid, neutralize, or mitigate the conflict of interest. If the parties fail to reach agreement on a course of action, or if having reached such agreement the Contractor fails to strictly adhere to such agreement during the remaining period of contract performance, the DTA's Director of Administration has the discretion to terminate the contract for default. No determination by the DTA's Director of Administration under this clause shall be reviewable under FAR Clause 52.233-1, "Disputes Clause (May 2014)," which is also incorporated by reference herein.
5. The Contractor's misrepresentation of facts in connection with a conflict of interest reported or a Contractor's failure to disclose a conflict of interest as required shall be a basis for default termination of this contract.

G-15 SUBCONTRACTORS

The Respondent shall disclose all subcontractors and their involvement in the Contract at the time of Bid submittal. The Contractor shall insert the required Federal and State provisions in every subcontract.

G-18 TAXES

The DTA is exempt from payment of the Federal excise, transportation tax, Minnesota State sales tax and City of Duluth City sales tax for services. Contractor shall include all applicable sales or use taxes as required under MN Department of Revenue guidelines and MN Statute 297A.61, subd.58. .

G-21 MINNESOTA RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTOR

Respondents to this solicitation document shall submit a signed statement under oath by an owner or officer verifying compliance with each of the minimum criteria for a "responsible contractor" found in Minnesota Statutes, section 16C.285 subdivision 3. The term "responsible contractor" means a contractor as defined in Minnesota Statutes section 16C.285, subdivision 3.

Any prime contractor or subcontractor that does not meet the minimum criteria in Minnesota Statutes, section 16C.285 subdivision 3, or fails to verify that it meets those criteria is not a responsible contractor and is not eligible to be awarded the construction contract for the project or to perform work on the project.

G-22 REQUIRED INSPECTIONS

The Contractor is responsible for requesting and scheduling any required code inspections for all work on the Project, including work completed by any subcontractor of any tier, and shall provide the DTA with a copy of all inspection reports.

G-23 SINGLE RESPONSE

If only one Bid is received in response to this RFB, a detailed cost/price analysis may be requested of the Bidder. A cost or cost and price analysis and evaluation, and/or audit of the cost may be performed in order to determine if the price is fair and reasonable. If the DTA Procurement Manager determines a cost analysis is required, the Bidder must be prepared to provide, upon request, cost summaries of estimated costs (i.e. labor, equipment, supplies, overhead, etc.) and documentation supporting all cost elements.

G-24 MINNESOTA NONDISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with Minnesota §181.59, "DISCRIMINATION ON ACCOUNT OF RACE, CREED, OR COLOR PROHIBITED IN CONTRACT"

The Contractor hereby agrees and shall cause this provision to be inserted in every subcontract the following:
(1) that, in the hiring of common or skilled labor for the performance of any work under any contract, or any subcontract, no contractor, material supplier, or vendor, shall, by reason of race, creed, or color, discriminate against the person or persons who are citizens of the United States or resident aliens who are qualified and available to perform the work to which the employment relates;

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- (2) that no contractor, material supplier, or vendor, shall, in any manner, discriminate against, or intimidate, or prevent the employment of any person or persons identified in clause (1) of this section, or on being hired, prevent, or conspire to prevent, the person or persons from the performance of work under any contract on account of race, creed, or color;
- (3) that a violation of this section is a misdemeanor; and
- (4) that this contract may be canceled or terminated by the state, county, city, or the Duluth Transit Authority, or any other person authorized to grant the contracts for employment, and all money due, or to become due under the contract, may be forfeited for a second or any subsequent violation of the terms or conditions of this contract.

Section 2. FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

Contract Clauses

A.1 ACCESS TO RECORDS

49 U.S.C. § 5325(g)

Clause

- a. Records Retention. The Contractor will retain, and will requires its subcontractors of all tiers to retain, complete and readily accessible records related in whole or in part to the contract; including, but not limited to, data, documents, reports, statistics, sub-agreements, leases, subcontracts, arrangements, other third party agreements of any type, and supporting materials related to those records.
- b. Retention Period. The Contractor agrees to comply with the record retention requirements in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.333. The Contractor shall maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this Contract for a period of not less than three (3) years after the date of termination or expiration of this Contract, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this Contract, in which case records shall be maintained until the disposition of all such litigation claims or exceptions related thereto.
- c. Access to Records. The Contractor agrees to provide sufficient access to FTA and its contractors to inspect and audit records and information related to performance of this contract as reasonably may be required.
- d. Access to the Sites of Performance. The Contractor agrees to permit FTA and its contractors access to the sites of performance under this Contract as reasonably may be required.

A.2 BONDING REQUIREMENTS

2 CFR §200.325, 31 CFR Part 223

A.3 BUS TESTING

49 U.S.C. 5318(E), 49 CFR Part 665

Does not apply to this procurement

A.4 BUY AMERICA REQUIREMENTS

49 U.S.C. 5323 (J), 49 CFR Part 661

Does not apply to this procurement

A.5 CARGO PREFERENCE REQUIREMENTS

46 U.S.C. §55.05, 46 C.F.R. Part 381

Does not apply to this procurement

A.6 CHARTER SERVICE

49 U.S.C.5323(d) and (r), 49 C.F.R. Part 604

Does not apply to this procurement

A.7 CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

49 U.S.C §§7401-7671q, 33 U.S.C §§1251-1387, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II (G)

Does not apply to this procurement

A.8 CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Civil Rights and Equal Opportunity

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The Duluth Transit Authority is an Equal Opportunity Employer. As such, the Duluth Transit Authority agrees to comply with all applicable Federal civil rights laws and implementing regulations. Apart from inconsistent requirements imposed by Federal laws or regulations, the Duluth Transit Authority agrees to comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. §5323(h) (3) by not using any Federal assistance awarded by FTA to support procurements using exclusionary or discriminatory specifications.

Under this Agreement, the Contractor shall at all times comply with the following requirements and shall include these requirements in each subcontract entered into as part thereof.

1. **Nondiscrimination.** In accordance with Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. §5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.
2. **Race, Color, Religion, National Origin, Sex.** In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §5332, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable equal employment opportunity requirements of U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," 41 C.F.R. Chapter 60, and Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity in Federal Employment", September 24, 1965, 42 U.S.C. §2000e note, as amended by any later Executive Order that amends or supersedes it, referenced in 42 U.S.C. §2000e note. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants re employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, national origin, or sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity). Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, promotion, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.
3. **Age.** In accordance with the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, 29 U.S.C. §§ 621-634, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (U.S. EEOC) regulations, "Age Discrimination in Employment Act," 29 C.F.R. Part 1625, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §6101 *et. Seq.*, U.S. Health and Human Services regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 45 C.F.R. Part 90, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. §5332, the Contractor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for the reason of age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.
4. **Disabilities.** In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 U.S.C. §794, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §12101 *et. Seq.*, the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §4151 *et. Seq.*, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. §4332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against individuals on the basis of disability. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

**A.9 DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE)
49 CFR Part 26**

Clause

It is the policy of the Duluth Transit Authority and the United States Department of Transportation ("DOT") that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises ("DBE's"), as defined herein and in the Federal regulations published at 49 C.F.R. Part 26, shall have an equal opportunity to participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It is also the policy of the Duluth Transit Authority to:

1. ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts;
2. Create a level playing field on which DBE's can compete fairly for DOT-assisted contracts;
3. Ensure that the DBE program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
4. Ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 C.F.R. Part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBEs;
5. Help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT assisted contracts;
6. To promote the use of DBEs in all types of federally assisted contracts and procurement activities; and
7. Assist in the development of firms that can compete successfully in the marketplace outside the DBE program.

This contract is subject to the requirements of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26. Therefore, the Contractor must satisfy the requirements for DBE participation as set forth herein. These requirements are in addition to all other equal opportunity employment requirements of this Contract. The Duluth Transit Authority shall make all determinations with regard to whether or not a Bidder/Offeror is in compliance with the requirements stated herein. In assessing compliance, the

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Duluth Transit Authority may consider during its review of the Bidder/Offeror's submission package, the Bidder/Offeror/s documented history of non-compliance with DBE requirements on previous contracts with the Duluth Transit Authority.

Contractor Assurance

The contractor, subrecipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this Contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as Duluth Transit Authority deems appropriate, which may include, but is not limited to:

1. Withholding monthly progress payments
2. Assessing sanctions;
3. Liquidated damages; and/or
4. Disqualifying the contractor from future bidding as non-responsible. 49 C.F.R. §26.13(b).

DBE Participation

For purposes of this Contract, the Duluth Transit Authority will only accept DBEs who are:

1. Certified at the time of the bid opening or proposal evaluation by the Unified Certification Program; or
2. An out of state firm who has been certified by either a local government, state government or Federal government entity authorized to certify DBE status or an agency whose DBE certification process has received FTA approval; or
3. Certified by another agency approved by the Duluth Transit Authority.

DBE Participation Goal

There is no DBE participation goal for this Contract.

The contractor is required to pay its subcontractors performing work related to this contract for satisfactory performance of that work no later than 30 days after the contractor's receipt of payment for that work from the Duluth Transit Authority or in accordance with state statutes, whichever if more restrictive. In addition, the contractor is required to return any retainage payments to those subcontractors within 30 days (or in accordance with state law, whichever is more restrictive) after the subcontractor's work related to this contract is satisfactorily completed.

The contractor must promptly notify Duluth Transit Authority, whenever a DBE subcontractor performing work related to this contract is terminated or fails to complete its work, and must make good faith efforts to engage another DBE subcontractor to perform at least the same amount of work. The contractor may not terminate any DBE subcontractor and perform that work through its own forces or those of an affiliate without prior written consent of Duluth Transit Authority.

A.10 EMPLOYEE PROTECTIONS

49 U.S.C. §5333(a), 40 U.S.C. §§3141-3148, 29 C.F.R. Part 5, 18 U.S.C. §874
29 C.F.R. Part 3, 40 U.S.C. §§3701-3708, 29 C.F.R. Part 1926

Prevailing Wage and Anti-Kickback

For all prime construction, alteration or repair contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by FTA, the Contractor shall comply with the Davis-Bacon Act and the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act. Under 49 U.S.C. § 5333(a), prevailing wage protections apply to laborers and mechanics employed on FTA assisted construction, alteration, or repair projects. The Contractor will comply with the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. §§ 3141-3144, and 3146-3148 as supplemented by DOL regulations at 29 C.F.R. part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Governing Federally Financed and Assisted Construction." In accordance with the statute, the Contractor shall pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, the Contractor agrees to pay wages not less than once a week. The Contractor shall also comply with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. § 3145), as supplemented by DOL regulations at 29 C.F.R. part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in part by Loans or Grants from the United States." The Contractor is prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled.

Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards

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For all contracts in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers, the Contractor shall comply with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 3701-3708), as supplemented by the DOL regulations at 29 C.F.R. part 5. Under 40 U.S.C. § 3702 of the Act, the Contractor shall compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer, including watchmen and guards, on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. § 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchase of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or to contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

In the event of any violation of the clause set forth herein, the Contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, the Contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of this clause in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by this clause.

The FTA shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the Contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime Contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime Contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such Contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in this section.

The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in this agreement.

**A.11 ENERGY CONSERVATION REQUIREMENTS
42 U.S.C. 6321 et seq, 49 CFR Part 622, Subpart C**

Clause

Energy Conservation – The contractor agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

**A.12 FLY AMERICA
49 U.S.C. §40118, 41 C.F.R. Part 301-10; 48 C.F.R. Part 47.4
Does not apply to this procurement**

**A.13 GOVERNMENT-WIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION
2 C.F.R. Part 180, 2 C.F.R. Part 1200, 2 C.F.R. §200.213
2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II (I)
Executive Order 12549, Executive Order 12689**

Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion

The Contractor shall comply and facilitate compliance with U.S. DOT regulations, “Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment,” 2 C.F.R. part 1200, which adopts and supplements the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (U.S. OMB) “Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement),” 2 C.F.R. part 180. These provisions apply to each contract at any tier of \$25,000 or more, and to each contract at any tier for a federally required audit(irrespective of the contract amount), and to each contract at any tier that must be approved by an FTA official irrespective of the contract amount. As such, the Contractor shall verify that its principals, affiliates, and subcontractors are eligible to participate in this federally funded contract and are not presently declared by any Federal department or agency to be:

- a) Debarred from participation in any federally assisted Award;
- b) Suspended from participation in any federally assisted Award;
- c) Proposed for debarment from participation in any federally assisted Award;

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- d) Declared ineligible to participate in any federally assisted Award;
- e) Voluntarily excluded from participation in any federally assisted Award; or
- f) Disqualified from participation in any federally assisted Award.

By signing and submitting its bid or proposal, the bidder or proposer certifies as follows:

The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact relied upon by the Duluth Transit Authority. If it is later determined by the Duluth Transit Authority that the bidder or proposer knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to remedies available to the Duluth Transit Authority, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. part 180, subpart C, as supplemented by 2 C.F.R. part 1200, while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer.

The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

**A. 14 LOBBYING RESTRICTIONS
31 U.S.C. 1352, 2 CFR §200.450
2 C.F.R. Part 200 Appendix II (J), 49 C.F.R. Part 20**

Lobbying Restrictions

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
 2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
 3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.
- This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

A.15 NO GOVERNMENT OBLIGATION TO THIRD PARTIES

Clause

No Federal Government Obligation to Third Parties.

The Recipient and Contractor acknowledge and agree that, notwithstanding any concurrence by the Federal Government in or approval of the solicitation or award of the underlying Contract, absent the express written consent by the Federal Government, the Federal Government is not a party to this Contract and shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to the Recipient, Contractor or any other party (whether or not a party to that contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the underlying Contract. The Contractor agrees to include the above clause in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by the FTA. It is further agreed that the clause shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to its provisions.

A.16 PATENT RIGHTS AND RIGHTS IN DATA

2 C.F.R. part 200, Appendix II (F)

37 C.F.R. part 401

Does not apply to this procurement

A.17 PRE-AWARD AND POST-DELIVERY AUDITS OF ROLLING STOCK PURCHASES

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49 U.S.C. 5323 (m), 49 C.F.R. Part 663
Does not apply to this procurement

A.18 PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS AND RELATED ACTS

49 U.S.C. § 5323(l) (1), 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801-3812
18 U.S.C. § 1001, 49 C.F.R. part 31

Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts

The Contractor acknowledges that the provisions of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 U.S.C. § 3801 *et seq.* and U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 C.F.R. part 31, apply to its actions pertaining to this Project. Upon execution of the underlying contract, the Contractor certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to be made, pertaining to the underlying contract or the FTA assisted project for which this contract work is being performed. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, the Contractor further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 on the Contractor to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

The Contractor also acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the Federal Government under a contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance originally awarded by FTA under the authority of 49 U.S.C. chapter 53, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5323(l) on the Contractor, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

The Contractor agrees to include the above two clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

A.19 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION EMPLOYEE PROTECTIVE ARRANGEMENTS

49 U.S.C. § 5333(b) ("13(c)", 29 C.F.R. part 215
Does not apply to this procurement

A.20 RECYCLED PRODUCTS

42 U.S.C. § 6962, 40 C.F.R. part 247; 2 C.F.R. part § 200.322

Clause

Recovered Materials

The Contractor agrees to provide a preference for those products and services that conserve natural resources, protect the environment, and are energy efficient by complying with and facilitating compliance with Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6962, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA), "Comprehensive Procurement Guideline for Products Containing Recovered Materials," 40 C.F.R. part 247.

A.21 SAFE OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

23 U.S.C. part 402, Executive Order No. 13043
Executive Order No. 13513, U.S. DOT Order No. 3902.10

Seat Belt Use

The Contractor is encouraged to adopt and promote on-the-job seat belt use policies and programs for its employees and other personnel that operate company-owned vehicles, company-rented vehicles, or personally operated vehicles. The terms "company-owned" and "company-leased" refer to vehicles owned or leased either by the Contractor or the Duluth Transit Authority.

Distracted Driving

The Contractor agrees to adopt and enforce workplace safety policies to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers, including policies to ban text messaging while using an electronic device supplied by an employer, and driving a vehicle the driver owns or rents, a vehicle Contractor owns, leases, or rents, or a privately-owned vehicle when on official business in connection with the work performed under this agreement.

A.22 SCHOOL BUS OPERATIONS

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49 U.S.C. 5323(f), 49 C.F.R. part 605
Does not apply to this procurement

A.23 SEISMIC SAFETY

42 U.S.C. 7701 *et seq.*, 49 C.F.R. part 41; Executive Order (E.O.) 12699
Does not apply to this procurement

A.24 SUBSTANCE ABUSE REQUIREMENTS

49 U.S.C. § 5331, 49 C.F.R. part 655; 49 C.F.R. part 40
Does not apply to this contract

A.25 TERMINATION

2 C.F.R. § 200.339, 2 C.F.R. part 200, Appendix II (B)

Termination for Convenience (General Provision)

The Duluth Transit Authority may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, at any time by written notice to the Contractor when it is in the Duluth Transit Authority's best interest. The Contractor shall be paid its costs, including contract close-out costs, and profit on work performed up to the time of termination. The Contractor shall promptly submit its termination claim to the Duluth Transit Authority to be paid the Contractor. If the Contractor has any property in its possession belonging to the Duluth Transit Authority, the Contractor will account for the same, and dispose of it in the manner the Duluth Transit Authority directs.

Termination for Default [Breach or Cause] (General Provision)

If the Contractor does not deliver supplies in accordance with the contract delivery schedule, or if the contract is for services, the Contractor fails to perform in the manner called for in the contract, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of the contract, the Duluth Transit Authority may terminate this contract for default. Termination shall be effected by serving a Notice of Termination on the Contractor setting forth the manner in which the Contractor is in default. The Contractor will be paid only the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in the contract.

If it is later determined by the Duluth Transit Authority that the Contractor had an excusable reason for not performing, such as a strike, fire, or flood, events which are not the fault of or are beyond the control of the Contractor, the Duluth Transit Authority, after setting up a new delivery of performance schedule, may allow the Contractor to continue work, or treat the termination as a Termination for Convenience.

Opportunity to Cure (General Provision)

The Duluth Transit Authority, in its sole discretion may, in the case of a termination for breach or default, allow the Contractor ten (10) days in which to cure the defect. In such case, the Notice of Termination will state the time period in which cure is permitted and other appropriate conditions to cure the defect.

If Contractor fails to remedy to the Duluth Transit Authority's satisfaction the breach or default of any of the terms, covenants, or conditions of this Contract within ten (10) days after receipt by Contractor of written notice from the Duluth Transit Authority setting forth the nature of said breach or default, the Duluth Transit Authority shall have the right to terminate the contract without any further obligation to Contractor. Any such termination for default shall not in any way operate to preclude the Duluth Transit Authority from also pursuing all available remedies against Contractor and its sureties for said breach or default.

Waiver of Remedies for any Breach

In the event that the Duluth Transit Authority elects to waive its remedies for any breach by Contractor of any covenant, term or condition of this contract, such waiver by the Duluth Transit Authority shall not limit the Duluth Transit Authority's remedies for any succeeding breach of that or of any other covenant, term, or condition of this contract.

Termination for Default (Supplies and Service)

If the Contractor fails to deliver supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, the Duluth Transit Authority may terminate this contract for default. The Duluth Transit Authority shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature of the default. The Contractor will only be paid the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner or performance set forth in this contract.

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If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the Duluth Transit Authority.

Termination for Default (Construction)

If the Contractor refuses or fails to prosecute the work or any separable part, with the diligence that will ensure its completion within the time specified in this contract or any extension or fails to complete the work within this time, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provision of this contract, the Duluth Transit Authority may terminate this contract for default. The Duluth Transit Authority shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature of the default. In this event, the Duluth Transit Authority may take over the work and complete it by contract or otherwise, and may take possession of and use any materials, appliances, and plant on the work site necessary for completing the work. The Contractor and its sureties shall be liable for any damage to the Duluth Transit Authority resulting from the Contractor's refusal or failure to complete the work within specified time, whether or not the Contractor's right to proceed with the work is terminated. This liability includes any increased costs incurred by the Duluth Transit Authority in completing the work.

The Contractor's right to proceed shall not be terminated nor shall the Contractor be charged with damages under this clause if:

1. The delay in completing the work arises from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Examples of such causes include: acts of God or Nature, acts of the Duluth Transit Authority, acts of another contractor in the performance of a contract with the Duluth Transit Authority, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes; and
2. The Contractor, within three (3) days from the beginning of any delay, notifies the Duluth Transit Authority in writing of the causes of delay. If, in the judgment of the Duluth Transit Authority, the delay is excusable, the time for completing the work shall be extended. The judgment of the Duluth Transit Authority shall be final and conclusive for the parties, but subject to appeal under the Disputes clause(s) of this contract.

If, after termination of the Contractor's right to proceed, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the delay was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties will be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the Duluth Transit Authority.

A.26 VIOLATION AND BREACH OF CONTRACT

2 C.F.R. § 200.326, 2 C.F.R. part 200, Appendix II (A)

Does not apply to this procurement

A. 27 PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING FOR CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

Backhaul means intermediate links between the core network, or backbone network, and the small subnetworks at the edge of the network (e.g., connecting cell phones/towers to the core telephone network). Backhaul can be wireless (e.g., microwave) or wired (e.g., fiber optic, coaxial cable, Ethernet).

Covered foreign country means The People's Republic of China.

Covered telecommunications equipment or services means—

(1) Telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);

(2) For the purpose of public safety, security of Government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);

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(3) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment; or

(4) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

Critical technology means—

(1) Defense articles or defense services included on the United States Munitions List set forth in the International Traffic in Arms Regulations under subchapter M of chapter I of title 22, Code of Federal Regulations;

(2) Items included on the Commerce Control List set forth in Supplement No. 1 to part 774 of the Export Administration Regulations under subchapter C of chapter VII of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, and controlled-

(i) Pursuant to multilateral regimes, including for reasons relating to national security, chemical and biological weapons proliferation, nuclear nonproliferation, or missile technology; or

(ii) For reasons relating to regional stability or surreptitious listening;

(3) Specially designed and prepared nuclear equipment, parts and components, materials, software, and technology covered by part 810 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (relating to assistance to foreign atomic energy activities);

(4) Nuclear facilities, equipment, and material covered by part 110 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (relating to export and import of nuclear equipment and material);

(5) Select agents and toxins covered by part 331 of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, part 121 of title 9 of such Code, or part 73 of title 42 of such Code; or

(6) Emerging and foundational technologies controlled pursuant to section 1758 of the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4817).

Interconnection arrangements means arrangements governing the physical connection of two or more networks to allow the use of another's network to hand off traffic where it is ultimately delivered (*e.g.*, connection of a customer of telephone provider A to a customer of telephone company B) or sharing data and other information resources.

Reasonable inquiry means an inquiry designed to uncover any information in the entity's possession about the identity of the producer or provider of covered telecommunications equipment or services used by the entity that excludes the need to include an internal or third-party audit.

Roaming means cellular communications services (*e.g.*, voice, video, data) received from a visited network when unable to connect to the facilities of the home network either because signal coverage is too weak or because traffic is too high.

Substantial or essential component means any component necessary for the proper function or performance of a piece of equipment, system, or service.

(b) *Prohibition.*

(1) Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the DTA on or after August 13, 2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. The Contractor is prohibited from

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providing to the Government any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, unless an exception at paragraph (c) of this clause applies or the covered telecommunication equipment or services are covered by a waiver described in FAR [4.2104](#).

(2) Section 889(a)(1)(B) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2020, from entering into a contract, or extending or renewing a contract, with an entity that uses any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, unless an exception at paragraph (c) of this clause applies or the covered telecommunication equipment or services are covered by a waiver described in FAR [4.2104](#). This prohibition applies to the use of covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract.

(c) *Exceptions.* This clause does not prohibit contractors from providing—

(1) A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

(2) Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(d) Reporting requirement.

(1) In the event the Contractor identifies covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, during contract performance, or the Contractor is notified of such by a subcontractor at any tier or by any other source, the Contractor shall report the information in paragraph (d)(2) of this clause to the Contracting Officer, unless elsewhere in this contract are established procedures for reporting the information. For indefinite delivery contracts, the Contractor shall report to the Contracting Officer for the indefinite delivery contract and the Contracting Officer(s) for any affected order.

(2) The Contractor shall report the following information pursuant to paragraph (d)(1) of this clause:

(i) Within one business day from the date of such identification or notification: the contract number; the order number(s), if applicable; supplier name; supplier unique entity identifier (if known); supplier Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code (if known); brand; model number (original equipment manufacturer number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number); item description; and any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.

(ii) Within 10 business days of submitting the information in paragraph (d)(2)(i) of this clause: any further available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended. In addition, the Contractor shall describe the efforts it undertook to prevent use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services, and any additional efforts that will be incorporated to prevent future use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(e) *Subcontracts.* The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e) and excluding paragraph (b)(2), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments, including subcontracts for the acquisition of commercial items.

A. 29) Notice of Legal Agreement or Litigation

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

Contractor shall promptly notify the Duluth Transit Authority of any current or prospective legal matter that may affect the Duluth Transit Authority or the Federal Government. Legal matters that require notification include, but are not limited to, a

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major dispute, breach, default, litigation, or naming the Duluth Transit Authority or the Federal Government as a party to litigation or any legal agreement in any forum for any reason.

This notification provision applies to instances of false claims under the False Claims Act, or has or may have committed a criminal or civil violation of law pertaining to such matters as fraud, conflict of interest, bid rigging, misappropriation or embezzlement, bribery, gratuity, or similar misconduct involving federal assistance. This responsibility occurs whether the Contractor is subject to this Agreement between the Contractor and the Duluth Transit Authority or the Federal Transit Administration, or an agreement involving a principal, officer, employee, agent or subcontractor of the Contractor.

Knowledge, as it is used in this paragraph, includes, but is not limited to, knowledge of a criminal or civil investigation by a Federal, state, or local law enforcement or other investigative agency, a criminal indictment or civil complaint, or probable cause that could support a criminal indictment, or any other credible information in the possession of the Contractor. In this paragraph, "promptly" means to refer to information without delay and without change.

The Contractor agrees to include the above clause in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

A30) FEDERAL TAX LIABILITY AND RECENT FELONY CONVICTION

FTA MA(29) February 7, 2022 Sec (G)

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that it

- (A) Does not have any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability; and
- (B) Was not convicted of the felony criminal violation under any federal law within the preceding 24 months.

The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

A31) TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

FTA MA(19) February 7, 2022, Sec (F)

Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA) 22 U.S.C. §7104(g) and 2 C.F.R. Part 175

The Contractor will inform the Duluth Transit Authority immediately if any information it receives from any source alleging a violation of the prohibitions listed in this section.

Prohibition:

The Contractor agrees that it, its employees, its Subrecipients, and its Subrecipients' employees that participate in the Contractor's award may not:

- (A) Engage in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the Contractor's underlying agreement is in effect;
- (B) Procure a commercial sex act during the period of time that the Contractor's Underlying Agreement is in effect; or
- (C) Use forced labor in the performance of the Contractor's Underlying Agreement or sub agreements.

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**DULUTH TRANSIT AUTHORITY
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Section 3. Contract (example)

This Contract made this ____ day of ____, 2024, by and between _____, a _____ (corporation) _____, hereafter referred to as "Contractor", and the Duluth Transit Authority, 2402 W. Michigan St., Duluth, MN, hereafter referred to as "DTA". The DTA and Contractor agree as set forth below.

ARTICLE 1 THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The Contract Documents in priority order consist of Federal Transit Administration Contract Clauses, this Contract and any amendments thereto; Request for Bids for Elevator inspection and repair services dated October 24, 2024; General, Special and Technical Specifications and Drawings; prevailing wage schedules, all addenda issued prior and all modifications issued after the execution of the Contract; the Contractor's executed Bid form including required certificates; all as fully a part of the Contract as if attached to this Contract or repeated herein.

ARTICLE 2 THE WORK

The Contractor shall perform the work required by the Contract Documents for this Request for Bids for the provision of Elevator Inspection and Repair Services in accordance with the generally accepted standards of the profession for services of this type.

ARTICLE 3 TERM

This Contract shall be effective upon "notice to proceed" from the DTA, and shall remain in effect until December 31, 2026, unless terminated earlier as provided herein.

The DTA may, at its sole discretion, extend the term of this Contract for a period of one year, from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2027, upon written notice to the Contractor. If the DTA extends the term of the Contract, all of the terms and conditions of the Contract shall continue unmodified, in full force and effect, except that payment to the Contractor shall be increased as set forth in the Contractor's Bid.

The DTA may, at its sole discretion, extend the term of this Contract for a period of one year, from January 1, 2028, through December 31, 2028, upon written notice to the Contractor. If the DTA extends the term of the Contract, all of the terms and conditions of the Contract shall continue unmodified, in full force and effect, except that payment to the Contractor shall be increased as set forth in the Contractor's Bid.

ARTICLE 4 CONTRACT SUM

The DTA shall pay the Contractor in current funds for the performance of the work as set forth in Contractor's Bid dated ____, subject to additions and deductions by Change Orders as provided in the Contract Documents in the amount accepted.

ARTICLE 5 PAYMENTS TO CONTRACTOR

The DTA will reimburse Contractor based on monthly billings for work completed. DTA may withhold payment for Contractor's services where the services are in dispute, where the services or any claimed reimbursable expenses are not documented or warranted, or when the service was not performed in accordance with the terms of the Contract Documents. Retainage will be held on payments until all conditions of final payment are met.

Terms of payment shall be thirty (30) days net from the conclusion of the month for which payment is due, unless a discount for earlier payment is solicited by the DTA and offered by the Contractor.

Payment does not imply acceptance of work. The granting of any progress payment or payments by the DTA, or receipt thereof by Contractor, shall not constitute in any sense acceptance of the work or any portion thereof, and shall in no way lessen the requirement of the Contractor to replace unsatisfactory work or material, though the unsatisfactory character of such work or material may not have been apparent or detected at the time such payment was made. Material, components or workmanship which does not conform to the instructions of these Contract requirements or specifications which are not

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equal to the samples submitted to and approved by the DTA Project Manager will be rejected and shall be replaced by the Contractor without delay.

ARTICLE 6 INVOICES

All invoices shall include supporting documentation of the quantities and details to the DTA's Director of Finance's satisfaction to support the pay request. Invoices should be forwarded to finance@duluthtransit.com

ARTICLE 7 DELAYS

Contractor shall notify DTA in writing of any delays, including all relevant details, immediately upon encountering any difficulties which threaten to delay the timely performance of this Contract, and may at that time or subsequently request an extension of the delivery date or schedule. However, such notification or request or acceptance of belated equipment shall not constitute acceptance of the delay or request for extension, without written acceptance by DTA as a change in the Contract.

ARTICLE 8 CONTRACTOR CHANGES

The DTA or the Contractor may, from time to time, request changes in the scope of the services to be performed hereunder. Such changes, including the increase or decrease in the amount of the Contractor's compensation, which are mutually agreed upon by and between the DTA and the Contractor, shall be incorporated in written amendments to the Contract.

ARTICLE 9 INDEMNIFICATION

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor agrees that it shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the DTA and ATE Management of Duluth SBC, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all costs or expenses, claims or liabilities, including but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees and expenses, whether asserted by Contractor or any third party. Said obligations to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless shall include, but not be limited to the obligation to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the DTA and ATE Management of Duluth SBC in all matters where claims of liability against the DTA and/or ATE Management of Duluth SBC arise out of, relate to, are attributable to, are passive or derivative of, or vicarious to the negligent, intentional, or wrongful acts or omissions of the Contractor, including but not limited to the failure to supervise, breach of warranty, the failure to warn, the failure to prevent such act or omission by Contractor, its employees, or its agents, and any other source of liability. Said obligations to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless shall be triggered upon the assertion of a claim for damages against DTA and/or ATE Management of Duluth SBC. On ten days' written notice from the DTA and/or ATE Management of Duluth SBC, the Contractor shall appear and defend all lawsuits against the DTA and/or ATE Management of Duluth SBC growing out of such injuries or damages. Contractor shall not be required to indemnify DTA and/or ATE Management of Duluth SBC for amounts found by a fact finder to have arisen out of the intentional, willful, or wanton acts or omission of the DTA and/or ATE Management of Duluth SBC. This Section, in its entirety, shall survive the termination of this Agreement if any amount of work has been performed by Contractor. Nothing in this provision shall affect the limitations of liability of the DTA and ATE Management of Duluth SBC as set forth in Minnesota Statutes Chapter 466.

The Contractor understands this provision may affect its rights and may shift liability and specifically agrees to the same.

ARTICLE 10 INSURANCE

- a. Contractor shall provide the following minimum amounts of insurance from insurance companies authorized to do business in the state of Minnesota, which insurance shall indemnify Contractor and the DTA and ATE Management of Duluth SBC from all liability described in the paragraph above.
 - 1) Workers' compensation in accordance with the laws of the state of Minnesota.
 - 2) Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability Insurance with limits not less than \$2,000,000 Single Limit or \$1,000,000 single limit with a \$1,000,000 umbrella policy, in a company approved by the DTA.
 - 3) DTA and ATE Management of Duluth SBC, Inc. shall be named as an **Additional Insured** under the Commercial General Liability, Excess/Umbrella Liability* and Automobile Liability, or as an alternate, Contractor may provide Owners-Contractors Protective policy, naming itself and the DTA and ATE Management of Duluth SBC. Contractor shall also provide evidence of Statutory Minnesota Worker's Compensation Insurance.

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**An umbrella policy with a "following form" provision is acceptable if written verification is provided that the underlying policy names the DTA and ATE Management of Duluth SBC as an additional insured.*

- b. The insurance required herein shall be maintained in full force and effect during the life of this Contract and shall protect Contractor, its employees, agents and representatives from claims and damages including but not limited to personal injury and death and any act or failure to act by Contractor, its employees, agents and representatives in the negligent performance of work covered by this Contract.
- c. Certificates showing that Contractor is carrying the above-described insurance in the specified amounts shall be furnished to the DTA prior to the execution of this Contract and a certificate showing continued maintenance of such insurance shall be on file with the DTA during the term of this Contract.

ARTICLE 11 RECORDS AND INSPECTIONS

d. Establishment and Maintenance of Records

Records shall be maintained by Contractor in accordance with requirements prescribed by DTA and with respect to all matters covered by this Contract. Such records shall be maintained for a period of six (6) years after receipt of final payment under this Project.

e. Documentation of Costs

Contractor will ensure that all costs shall be supported by properly executed payrolls, time records, invoices, contracts, vouchers or other official documentation evidencing in proper detail the nature and propriety of the charges. All checks, payrolls, invoices, contracts, vouchers, orders or other accounting documents pertaining in whole or in part to this Contract shall be clearly identified and readily accessible.

f. Reports and Information

Contractor shall be responsible for furnishing to DTA records, data and information as DTA may require pertaining to matters covered by this Contract.

g. Audits and Inspections

Contractor shall ensure that at any time during normal business hours and as often as DTA may deem necessary, there shall be made available to DTA for examination, all of its records with respect to all matters covered by this Contract. Contractor will also permit DTA to audit, examine and make excerpts or transcripts from such records, and to make audits of all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, records of personnel, conditions of employment, and other data relating to all matters covered by this Contract.

h. Confidentiality of Information

Contractor must comply with the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13, as it applies to all data provided by the DTA under this Contract, and as it applies to all data created, collected, received, stored, used, maintained or disseminated by Contractor under this contract. The civil remedies of Minnesota Statutes Section 13.08 apply to the release of the data referred to in this clause by the Contractor. If Contractor receives a request to release data referred to in this clause, Contractor must immediately notify the DTA and consult with the DTA as to how Contractor should respond to the request. Contractor's response to the request must comply with applicable law.

i. Ownership of Data

All survey notes, reports, design plans, specifications, special studies, records and other data prepared under this Contract shall become the property of DTA when prepared and shall be delivered to the DTA upon completion or termination of the services of Contractor or at such earlier time as requested by the DTA.

ARTICLE 12 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

That at all times and for all purposes hereunder, Contractor shall be an independent contractor and is not an employee of the DTA for any purpose. No statement contained in this Contract shall be construed so as to find Contractor to be an employee of the DTA, and Contractor shall not be entitled to any of the rights, privileges, or benefits of employees of the DTA, including,

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but not limited to, workers' compensation, health/death benefits, and indemnification for third-party personal injury/property damage claims.

ARTICLE 13 COMMUNICATIONS

Communications in connection with this Contract shall be in writing and shall be delivered via e-mail; addressed to the officer(s) or employee(s) of the DTA and of the Contractor designated to receive such communications. Telephone calls may be used to expedite communications but shall not be official communication unless confirmed in writing.

Designation for DTA

Designation for Contractor

Mark Ness, Director of Maintenance

mness@duluthtransit.com

218-623-4331

ARTICLE 14 SUBCONTRACTING AND ASSIGNMENTS

Contractor shall not subcontract or assign this Contract or any portion thereof without the prior written approval of the DTA General Manager.

ARTICLE 15 EXTENT OF AGREEMENT

This Contract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the DTA and the Contractor and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or agreements, either written or oral. This Contract may be amended only by written instrument signed by both DTA and Contractor.

ARTICLE 16 GOVERNING LAW

This Contract shall be governed by the applicable laws of the City of Duluth and State of Minnesota. The appropriate venue and jurisdiction for any litigation hereunder shall be in the court located in St. Louis County, Minnesota. However, litigation in Federal Courts involving the parties shall be in the appropriate federal court in the State of Minnesota.

ARTICLE 17 RIGHTS AND REMEDIES

The duties and obligations imposed by the Contract and the rights and remedies hereunder shall be in addition to and not in limitation of any duties, obligations, rights and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law. Failure of the DTA to act shall in no way constitute a waiver of any right or duty afforded to it under the Contract, nor shall any such action or failure to act constitute an approval of or an acquiescence in any breach of this Contract, except as may be specifically agreed to in writing by the DTA.

ARTICLE 18 NO THIRD-PARTY RIGHTS

This Contract is to be construed and understood solely as a Contract between the DTA and Contractor and shall not be deemed to create any rights in any other person. No person shall have the right to make claim that she or he is a third-party beneficiary of this Contract or of any of the terms and conditions hereof, which, as between the DTA, may be waived at any time by mutual agreement.

ARTICLE 19 CANCELLATION

The DTA shall have the right to cancel this Contract if monies are not appropriated by the funding department or agency for purposes of this Contract.

ARTICLE 20 SEVERABILITY

In the event any provision herein shall be deemed invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect and shall be binding upon the parties to this Contract.

ARTICLE 21 COUNTERPARTS

This Contract may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, but all of which together shall constitute but one and the same instrument. Signatures to this Contract transmitted by email in "portable document format" ("pdf") or by any other means which

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preserves the original graphic and pictorial appearance of the Contract shall have the same effect as physical delivery of the paper document bearing the original signature.

This Contract entered into as of the day and year first written above.

Duluth Transit Authority

Contractor:

General Manager

Its _____

BID SHEETS

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Section 4 FORMAL BID SHEET

Bids: ALL fees, delivery, and installation must be included. TAX: Federal Excise Tax Exemption
Account No. 41740056K; The DTA is State and City Tax Exempted.

1. DIRECT LABOR

	11/01/2024 to 12/31/2026	2027	2028
Annual Service Cost (for inspection and preventative maintenance)	_____	_____	_____
Standard Hourly Rate (nonroutine work) 6:30 am-5:00 pm Monday through Friday	_____	_____	_____
After Hour Rate (non-routine work) 5:00 pm – 6:30 am Monday through Friday	_____	_____	_____
Weekend Hourly Rate (non-routine work)	_____	_____	_____
Holiday Hourly Rate	_____	_____	_____
Round Trip Emergency Travel Cost Per incident	_____	_____	_____
Proposed Parts Mark-up Rate	_____	_____	_____

Firm Name: _____

Mailing Address:

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

Addendum Acknowledgment
Number Date Rec'd

By: _____
(PRINT NAME) TITLE

PHONE NO.

Signature: _____

Email: _____

System for Award Management Unique ID Number if applicable: _____

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1. Proof of Responsibility Statement

The Duluth Transit Authority requires anyone submitting a bid or proposal to complete a sworn statement consisting of information relating to their capacity to complete the work requested, including financial stability, equipment, experience in the work prescribed, etc. If the Duluth Transit Authority is not satisfied with the sufficiency of the answers to the questionnaire and financial statement, it may reject the bid or disregard the same or require additional information. Attach separate sheets as necessary.

Statement of Bidder Qualifications and Responsibility

- 1. Name of Bidder or Proposer: _____
- 2. Address: _____
- 3. Legal form of company (partnership, corporation, joint venture, etc.) _____ (If a joint venture, identify the members of the joint venture and provide all information required in this section for each member.)
- 4. When Organized: _____
- 5. Where Incorporated (as applicable): _____
- 6. How many years has the firm or organization been engaged in the contracting business under the present firm name? _____
- 6a. System for Award Management Unique ID Number (if applicable) _____

Questions 7-13: If the answer is 'Yes', please provide details in a separate attachment.

- 7. Have you ever failed to complete any work awarded to you? No ___ Yes ___
- 8. Have you ever defaulted on a contract? No ___ Yes ___
- 9. Have you ever been sued for services you provided? No ___ Yes ___
- 10. Has your firm been charged with or convicted of a violation of a wage schedule?
No ___ Yes ___
- 11. Does your organization possess all valid licenses, registrations and certifications required by federal, state, county or city law necessary for the work it seeks to perform? No ___ Yes ___
- 12. Has your organization had any type of business, contracting or trade license, certification or registration revoked or suspended in the last three years? No ___ Yes ___
- 13. Is your firm or organization a part of a multi-entity corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary, or more than 51% owned by another firm or organization? No ___ Yes ___ If yes, provide documentation on the parent organization, audited statements of financial standing, working capital financing, authorization to enter into contracts, and other proof of responsibility.
- 14. Does your firm have experience in similar types of projects or work, and have sufficient equipment, personnel, expertise, and financial reserves to perform the work successfully? No ___ Yes ___ (If no, please explain on a separate sheet. If yes, please provide the names and contact information of three (3) references.)
- 15. Has your firm or organization been a debtor in a bankruptcy proceeding in the last ten years?
No ___ Yes ___ If yes, on a separate sheet of paper titled "Bankruptcy Information", state date, court of jurisdiction, amount of liabilities and amount of assets.
- 16. List the average range of annual gross receipts of the firm or organization for the past three years:

___ Less than \$500,000	___ \$500,000 to \$1 million
___ between \$1 million and \$5 million	___ between \$5 million and \$10 million
___ between \$10 million and \$15 million	___ above \$15 million
- 17. Identify any conditions (e.g., pending litigation, planned office closures, impending merger, etc.) that may impede the proposed firm or organization's ability to complete the work.

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18. Please provide a Proof of Responsibility Statement for each subcontractor or supplier providing goods or services in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) listed in the bid or proposal.

19. Warranty:

The Contractor,

- (i) if it is a corporation, is duly incorporated, organized, validly existing and in good standing as a corporation under of the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation;
- (ii) if it is a partnership, non-profit organization, individual or sole proprietorship, is duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the jurisdiction in which it was organized;
- (iii) is duly qualified and in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction where its existing ownership, lease, or operation of property in the conduct of its business requires, and
- (iv) has the power and legal right to conduct the business in which it is currently engaged and
- (v) attests that the execution, delivery and performance of the Contract does not and will not violate any provision of any applicable existing law, regulation or of any order, judgment, award or decree of any court or government applicable to the Contractor or the charter or by-laws of the Contractor or any mortgage, indenture, or other obligation.

20. The DTA has assigned the following North American Industry Classification System Codes for this work:

238290 - Other Building Equipment Contractors

If you believe there are other NAICS codes applicable to this work, please provide them here:

Signed:

Title _____

2. Small or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise, Veteran-owned Business (including Service Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises)

- 1. Is the Contractor’s firm or organization registered as a Small Business under the Small Business Administration’s 8(a) Business Development Program, HUBZone business, or other development program through the SBA? No____ Yes____ (If yes, please provide a copy of the registration.)
- 2. Is the Contractor’s firm or organization certified or registered as a Small Business, a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise, or a Veteran-owned business (including Service-Disabled Veteran-owned business) by a government agency authorized to certify or register the above noted entities?

No ____ Yes ____ (If yes, please provide details and copies of the applicable registration or certification.)

The Contractor agrees to take all necessary steps to ensure that DBEs have the opportunity to compete for and perform work under this Contract.

The Contractor or Subcontractor shall not discriminate on basis of race, color, national origin or gender in the performance of this contract. Contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 C.F.R. Part 26 in the award and administration of U.S. DOT assisted contracts. Failure by the Contractor or Subcontractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of the contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the DTA deems appropriate.

Signed this ____ day of _____, 20____:

Title _____

3. Subcontractors and Suppliers Listing

List each subcontractor and/or supplier included in the bid or proposal. Include a Proof of Responsibility Statement for each subcontractor (of any tier) or supplier proposing to provide services or goods in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000. 00.) Subcontractors or Suppliers that are registered or certified S/DBEs must provide proof and the name of the certifying agency **prior to commencing work.**

Subcontractor: _____ Type of work: _____
S/DBE or Veteran owned? _____

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S/DBE or Veteran owned? _____

Supplier: _____ Type of supply: _____
S/DBE or Veteran owned? _____

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S/DBE or Veteran owned? _____

Supplier: _____ Type of supply: _____
S/DBE or Veteran owned? _____

Supplier: _____ Type of supply: _____
S/DBE or Veteran owned? _____

Changes to this list must be in writing and approved by the Duluth Transit Authority **prior to the commencement of subcontractor or supplier's work.**

Signed: _____

Firm Name: _____

Section 5

REQUIRED CERTIFICATES

Certificate A. DEBARRED BIDDERS

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Proposed Debarment, and Other Responsibility Matters:

The Contractor shall comply and facilitate compliance with U.S. DOT regulations, "Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment," 2 C.F.R. part 1200, which adopts and supplements the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (U.S. OMB) "Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)," 2 C.F.R. part 180. These provisions apply to each contract at any tier of \$25,000 or more, and to each contract at any tier for a federally required audit (irrespective of the contract amount), and to each contract at any tier that must be approved by an FTA official irrespective of the contract amount. As such, the Contractor shall verify that its principals, affiliates, and subcontractors are eligible to participate in this federally funded contract and are not presently declared by any Federal department or agency to be:

- a) Debarred from participation in any federally assisted Award;
- b) Suspended from participation in any federally assisted Award;
- c) Proposed for debarment from participation in any federally assisted Award;
- d) Declared ineligible to participate in any federally assisted Award;
- e) Voluntarily excluded from participation in any federally assisted Award; or
- f) Disqualified from participation in any federally assisted Award.

By signing and submitting its bid or proposal, the bidder or proposer certifies as follows:

The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact relied upon by the Duluth Transit Authority. If it is later determined by the Duluth Transit Authority that the bidder or proposer knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to remedies available to the Duluth Transit Authority, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. part 180, subpart C, as supplemented by 2 C.F.R. part 1200, while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer.

The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

Print Name and Title

Signature

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Certificate B. Notice of Legal Agreement or Litigation

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

Contractor shall promptly notify the Duluth Transit Authority of any current or prospective legal matter that may affect the Duluth Transit Authority or the Federal Government. Legal matters that require notification include, but are not limited to, a major dispute, breach, default, litigation, or naming the Duluth Transit Authority or the Federal Government as a party to litigation or any legal agreement in any forum for any reason.

This notification provision applies to instances of false claims under the False Claims Act or has or may have committed a criminal or civil violation of law pertaining to such matters as fraud, conflict of interest, bid rigging, misappropriation or embezzlement, bribery, gratuity, or similar misconduct involving federal assistance. This responsibility occurs whether the Contractor is subject to this Agreement between the Contractor and the Duluth Transit Authority or the Federal Transit Administration, or an agreement involving a principal, officer, employee, agent or subcontractor of the Contractor. Knowledge, as it is used in this paragraph, includes, but is not limited to, knowledge of a criminal or civil investigation by a Federal, state, or local law enforcement or other investigative agency, a criminal indictment or civil complaint, or probable cause that could support a criminal indictment, or any other credible information in the possession of the Contractor. In this paragraph, "promptly" means to refer to information without delay and without change.

The Contractor agrees to include the above clause in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

_____ Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

_____ Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

_____ Date

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CERTIFICATE C. ANTI-LOBBYING DISCLOSURE

APPENDIX A, 49 CFR PART 20—CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING
Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements
(To be submitted with each bid or offer exceeding \$100,000)

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
 2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
 3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.
- This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

_____ Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

_____ Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

_____ Date

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Certificate D. FEDERAL TAX LIABILITY AND RECENT FELONY CONVICTION

FTA MA(29) February 7, 2022 Sec (G)

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that it

- (A) Does not have any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability; and
- (B) Was not convicted of the felony criminal violation under any federal law within the preceding 24 months.

The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier subcontracts.

SIGNED _____

FIRM NAME _____

Certificate E. COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFICATIONS

The proposer hereby states that it will comply with the technical specifications issued by the Duluth Transit Authority in all areas except those where approved equals were granted by the purchaser (s).

SIGNED _____

FIRM NAME _____

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Certificate F Code of Ethics, Conflict of Interest

The respondent hereby states that it has read and will comply the DTA’s Vendor Code of Ethics and Organizational Conflict of Interest (both on the DTA website) as well as the applicable Federal Clauses and Requirements contained herein.

SIGNED _____

FIRM NAME _____

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR On Call Elevator Inspection and Repair Services

A. BACKGROUND

1. The DTA owns and operates three buildings with elevators, the Duluth Operations Center, 2402 West Michigan Street, which contains one elevator, the Duluth Transportation Center, 228 West Michigan Street, which contains two elevators constructed in 2015, and Transit Center East, 214 West Superior Street, which contains one elevator.
2. The DTA's contract with Schindler expired on December 31, 2023, and is seeking qualified providers to provide elevator inspection and repair services under a new contract.
3. Some of the repairs on the elevators may include:
 - a. Seals and rollers on the elevator in the Operations Center. This elevator does not get used a lot. Sometimes it drops, but it corrects on subsequent operations. This elevator is almost 40-years old.
 - b. DTC elevator A is heavily used, it is the only elevator that serves all four floors of the DTC. There has been some minor vandalism and door timing adjustments. There is a heater in the pit that must be adjusted seasonally. This elevator is eight years old.
 - c. Elevator B serves two floors of DTC. It has had a seal replaced and door repairs due to vandalism. There is a heater in the pit that must be adjusted seasonally. This elevator is eight years old.
 - d. It is unknown when the elevator at TCE was installed. It has older operating mechanisms and is not used very often. A leak in the cylinder and water leaks on the boards have been repaired in the recent past.
4. Copies of recent inspection reports for all four elevators are available upon request from interested vendors.

B. GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

1. The Bid for Elevator service to the DTA properties set forth below will be for a base period of November 1, 2024, to December 31, 2026, and two (2), one-year options for 2027 and 2028.
2. Interested Bidders may make arrangements to view the facilities by contacting the DTA Procurement Manager at 218-623-4324, or kwood@duluthtransit.com
3. This is a fixed unit rate, indefinite delivery, indefinite quantity ("IDIQ") Contract based upon the annual cost for routine maintenance and inspections, and fully burdened labor rates for non-routine work as detailed in the Bid pricing form. Contractor shall provide a proposed mark-up rate for parts at the time of Bid submittal.
4. The selected Contractor will be required to service all four elevators at least quarterly to ensure proper operations, and make any necessary adjustments or repairs as needed. Cost for the quarterly service will be included in the selected Contractor's Bid. The Contractor is required to maintain timely and accurate records of the quarterly service. The DTA will not pay for services that are not clearly documented to the DTA's satisfaction.
5. The selected Contractor must be able to provide a web-based dashboard for tracking maintenance reports and repairs for each DTA elevator that is accessible to DTA staff. Records must be downloadable for DTA to retention without extra fees. Cost for this electronic record shall be included in the Contractor's annual cost.
6. Because elevators in DTA buildings are supplied by different original manufacturers, the selected Contractor must have the capability to connect with the elevator software via a unified elevator service tool interface to expedite diagnostics and minimize down time. The DTA will verify this requirement prior to award. Cost for the interface will be included in the Contractor's annual cost.
7. The DTA shall not be liable for any pre-contractual expenses, which are defined as expenses incurred by a Bidder in preparing its Bid in response to this RFB, negotiating with the DTA on any matter related to the Bid, or any other expenses incurred by the Bidder prior to the date of award of the Contract from this procurement (if any).

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8. Evaluation of the Bids will be based on the Contractor's assurance that they utilize a unified elevator service too interface for diagnostics, the annual cost for inspection and routine maintenance services, the rates for non-routine services, the mark up rate on parts, the costs in the option periods, and the responsiveness and responsibility of the Bidder.
9. Contractor shall be a State of Minnesota Licensed Elevator Contractor, bonded and insured as required under Minnesota Statutes. Contractor shall submit verification of license, bonding and insurance to the DTA Project Manager upon request throughout the Term and extensions of this Contract.
10. The Contractor shall provide a competent and sufficient supervisory work force as may be necessary to properly maintain efficient performance of the work at all times. Supervision shall have full authority to represent the Contractor in making decisions and executing the work in a first class, workmanlike manner.
11. Contractor shall at all times keep the work site clean and free from waste materials, trash or rubbish, including the storage areas. All materials that are replaced shall be properly disposed of offsite by the Contractor in accordance with all environmental requirements. Contractor may not use DTA disposal containers to dispose of hazardous materials.
12. Contractor and subcontractors shall be held responsible for the safety of their employees and any unsafe acts or conditions that may cause injury or damage to any persons or property within and around the work site area under this Contract.
13. Maintenance activities on the property shall be performed in a safe and efficient manner and shall comply with all local, state and federal requirements. The Contractor shall be responsible for initiating, maintaining and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the work under this Contract, including wearing approved safety equipment where required.
14. Contractor shall furnish, install and maintain all warning devices, i.e. barricades, cones, etc., to adequately protect the public during the performance of the work under this Contract.
15. Contractor may not store tools and materials on DTA property without the DTA Project Manager's written consent.
16. Routine maintenance, inspections and tests shall be performed during regular working hours unless otherwise approved by the DTA Project Manager.

C. Preventive Maintenance Services

1. Unless superseded by more stringent requirements of these specifications, work shall conform to the requirements of ASME/ANSI a17-1 Code Section 1206 Maintenance.
2. Contractor shall perform the services at intervals recommended by the equipment manufacturers, but not less than quarterly, (the cost for these services shall be Bid as the Annual Costs on the Bid sheet) and shall:
 - a. Perform a complete operational check of each elevator to include starting, operating, leveling and stopping parameters, including proper operation of elevator car and hoist way doors. Adjust or repair equipment as required to maintain operation within manufacturer's tolerances and ASME/ANSI A17.1 Code requirements.
 - b. Check all hall and car position indicators and signals and car lighting fixtures.
 - c. Check operating components requiring periodic lubrication and lubricate following manufacturer's recommendations and specifications.
 - d. Maintain machine rooms and hoist way pits, elevator car tops in a clean and orderly condition. Remove excessive lubricant and wipe up oil leaks.
 - e. Ensure that emergency phone and call buttons are operational.
 - f. Perform periodic inspections and tests of elevators at intervals required by ASME/ANSI A17.1 Part X or other governing authority if more stringent.
 - g. Deliver copies of tests to the DTA within thirty (30) days of performing the tests.

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3. Preventative Maintenance is not considered “repairs.” Repairs are non-routine and separate from preventative maintenance requirements. Both preventative maintenance and repairs are to be performed during normal business hours unless the DTA Project Manager authorizes the work outside of normal business hours.
4. Replacement Parts. All replacement parts and materials shall be new, commercial grade equipment, free of defects and suitable for the purpose intended. Parts and materials may be subject to the review and approval of the DTA Project Manager. Materials being replaced shall be the same make and model or an approved equal by the Original Equipment Manufacturer. Equals must be submitted to the DTA Project Manager for approval prior to installation of the equipment.
5. The Contractor shall provide a local stock or identify a local source for high mortality parts and consumable items for elevators serviced at each location. If parts are not readily available, the Contractor shall make every effort to perform emergency repairs that will allow safe operation of the equipment within the shortest practical time. All repairs will be considered temporary and incomplete until standard parts are installed. Replacement parts shall meet the elevator equipment manufacturer’s specifications in all respects.
6. Within the Contract scope of work, the contractor shall provide all consumable parts, components and supplies required to maintain the equipment in service. “Consumable” parts are defined as having a typical service life of less than one (1) year or costing under two hundred (\$200). Consumable parts shall be included in the annual and hourly rates.
7. If major replacement parts are required, or costs for work are in addition to the annual maintenance services, the Contractor shall contact the DTA Project Manager with an estimate of repair costs prior to starting repair work. The DTA reserves the right to procure major repair work separately.
8. The Contractor shall guarantee all replacement parts for a period of ninety (90) days or the part manufacturer’s warranty, whichever is greater. All guarantees and warranties obtainable by the Contractor from manufacturers and vendors of equipment in the performance of this Contract shall be extended to the DTA to the full extent of their terms.
9. Not included in the contract scope are:
 - ii. Rebuilding or replacement of major elevator components.
 - ii. New construction or modification of existing equipment.
 - iii. Repair or damage caused by negligence or misuse of elevator equipment by other than the Contractor.
 - iv. Repair of damage caused by fire, flood or other disaster.

D. Notifications and Response Times

1. Except for emergency call back service and elevator repairs, all work shall be performed during regular working hours of regular working days of the trade.
2. Standard Service Call. Repair/replace elevator equipment within 48-hours of notification and otherwise as practicable.
3. Emergency Service Call. Provide emergency call back services, which consists of promptly responding to requests from the DTA by telephone or otherwise for emergency at any hour, day or night. Contractor shall respond on-site within thirty (30) minutes from notification for all emergency calls requiring extrication of passengers (including weekends.)
4. Contractor and subcontractors must provide the DTA with 24-hour contact number(s) for Contractor’s key person, and an acceptable means of emergency on-call communication with the DTA’s Project Manager.
5. The Contractor shall be responsible for notifying the DTA in writing of the existence or development of any defects in or repairs required to the elevator equipment that the Contractor does not believe is his or her responsibility under the terms of the Contract. Upon request, the Contractor shall furnish the DTA Project Manager

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with a written estimate of the cost to correct any such defects or make the required repairs. The DTA General Manager reserves the right to make the final determination concerning the responsibility for such defects, corrections or repairs, and specifically reserves the right to competitively bid said work to other parties, in its sole discretion.

6. The Contractor shall be responsible for giving immediate notice to the DTA Project Manager of any condition discovered in the elevator equipment that may present a hazard to either the equipment or the passengers.

7. The Contractor shall notify the DTA Project Manager when Contractor or its subcontractors has employees on DTA property to perform work under this Contract, and shall notify the Project Manager of work completion within 24-hours of completion.

D. Workmanship

1. The Contractor shall use the highest standard of workmanship for the work performed under this Contract. In the event of substandard workmanship or defective materials furnished by the Contractor as may be determined by the DTA Project Manager or designee, or in the event of poor working performance as may be determined by the DTA Project Manager or designee, the DTA will notify the Contractor and may require such failures or defects to be remedied at no cost to the DTA.

2. Substandard workmanship may include, but is not limited to, incomplete work, inadequately installed or supported, poorly fitted or sealed, damaged, improperly finished, or installed in a manner that the operation or maintainability of the installation is impaired beyond the limits specified under state and federal regulations or as indicated in this Contract.

3. Claims of defective materials, inadequate workmanship or poor working performance will be first made to the Contractor's job site foreman. If the claim cannot be resolved at the field level, a written claim will be made to the Contractor. Contractor shall resolve all claims against workmanship by either correcting the issue or issuing a credit to the DTA for the claim. The DTA reserves the right to withhold payments that may otherwise be due, in whole or in part, on account of defective materials and/or unresolved workmanship issues.

4. The performance of services by the Contractor shall not relive the Contractor from any obligation to correct any incomplete, inaccurate, or defective work at no further cost to the DTA, when such inaccuracies are due to the acts or omissions, negligent or otherwise, of the Contractor.

E. Direct Costs and Material Markup

1. Contractor shall be compensated for costs detailed on the Price Form, and subsequently substantiated with invoices submitted by the Contractor for materials used in carrying out the various tasks issued under this Contract.

2. Contractor mark up on materials required to perform the services described herein shall be fixed for the term of the Contract and each option period as noted.

3. Receipts will be required and shall be provided by the Contractor to substantiate costs for all materials included in each invoice submitted to the DTA for payment.

F. Contractor's Qualifications

1. The Contractor shall have an established record of satisfactorily maintaining elevators and related machinery, and shall possess the capability, including qualified technicians, technical expertise and support infrastructure to provide all services called for in these specifications.

2. All work shall be performed by journeymen elevator mechanics directly employed and supervised by the Contractor.

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3. As part of the Bid, Bidders are required to furnish a statement of qualifications for review and approval by the DTA.

G. Compliance with Safety Codes

The Contractor shall maintain elevator equipment in compliance with the latest adopted edition of the safety code for elevators and escalators (ASME/ANSI A17.1) and all other applicable codes and regulations in effect in the jurisdiction where the equipment is located. The contractor shall promptly report to the DTA Project Manager all known equipment deficiencies and provide cost proposals for corrective work outside the scope of this contract which may be required by the State Elevator Inspector or other code enforcement authorities.

H. Working Hours and Conditions

Services may be performed during regular business hours (6:30 am to 5:00pm) Monday through Friday. To prevent disruptions to the DTA operations, the contractor shall coordinate with the DTA Project Manager all planned equipment shutdowns and all work that is needed to be performed outside of normal business hours.

I. Service Reports

The Contractor shall provide the DTA Project Manager with a service report at the completion of each inspection or service call, noting the elevator serviced, a description of trouble found and repairs made, and any recommendations regarding the equipment. All deficiencies or repairs considered to be outside the scope of this contract shall be specifically described. A copy of this service report will be attached to each invoice.

J. Service Record

The Contractor shall provide a "record of service" for each elevator and post in a conspicuous place in each elevator machine room. The format is optional with the Contractor, but shall contain at least the following information:

1. Elevator serial number and Department of Labor elevator inspector's designation.
2. Date when each preventive maintenance/service and inspection was performed.
3. Reason for service call.
4. Description of service provided.
5. Parts replaced.
6. Total elapsed time for service.
7. Signature or initials of elevator technician performing the work.

K. Bid Submittals

8. Bid Sheet with pricing for annual service, labor rates and parts mark up.
9. Assurance of universal diagnostics interface
10. Required Certificates A-F
11. A statement of qualifications of the firm and staff performing the work
12. Proof of licensure, bonding and insurance

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SECTION 7.**WAGE REQUIREMENTS**

1. This contract is subject to the requirements of 49 U.S.C. §5333(a), the Davis-Bacon Act, the U.S. Department of Labor Fair Labor Standards Act, and the implementing regulations of the Department of Labor at 29 CFR Part 5. The Contractor shall comply with and assure compliance with all applicable wage regulations, and shall not cause the Owners to be in violation of same.
2. The Contractor hereby agrees that all persons employed by it in the performance of work covered by prevailing wage classifications shall be paid wages which are not less than the prevailing wage rates which are attached to this contract and incorporated herein by reference.
3. The Contractor hereby agrees to keep and to require all subcontractors to keep full and accurate records for a period of not less than six (6) years, clearly indicating the name and trade or occupation of every laborer, worker or mechanic employed by him in connection with the project and an accurate record of the number of hours worked by each employee and the actual wages paid therefore.
4. The Owner shall post any applicable prevailing wage determinations at the project site and/or at a place normally used to post public notices. The Contractor is responsible for providing the prevailing wage scale as provided in the contract at the job site to all subcontractors. These hours, rates and classifications must be posted on the project by the Contractor in at least one conspicuous place for the information of employees and all employees of subcontractor(s) working on the project.
5. Certified WEEKLY payroll reports are required and are to be submitted to the Duluth Transit Authority Procurement Manager for all Contractor and subcontractor covered work in accordance with Duluth Transit Authority Certified Payroll Checklist.
6. Overtime Basis
All hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours per day or forty (40) hours per week shall be paid at a rate of one and one half (1 ½) times the basic hourly rate.
7. The Contractor is required to pay the highest of the two wage scales.

POSTED WAGE SCALE

Department of Labor General Decision Number: MN20240205 Prevailing Wage Decision dated 06/07/2024 contained in Exhibit A - PWS - Federal - 2024-10-24 and Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry Prevailing Wages for State-funded Construction Projects, Construction Type, Commercial, County Number 69, St. Louis County, effective 2023-12-26 contained in Exhibit B - PWS - MN - 2024-10-24 are incorporated in the Request for Bid Documents herein as separate attachments. Wage decisions are subject to change due to lock-in rules and revisions near the bid opening. [