GREATER HARTFORD TRANSIT DISTRICT
GHTD RFP #01-027
JOINT PROCUREMENT PRATRANSIT VEHICLES

ADDENDUM #2
October 29, 2026

The Request for Proposal (RFP) is modified/clarified as set forth in this Addendum. The original RFP Documents remain in full force and effect, except as modified/clarified by this Addendum, which is hereby made part of the RFP. Respondent shall take this Addendum into consideration when preparing and submitting its proposal.

A Virtual Pre-Proposal Conference will be held on **November 5, 2026 at 11:00 AM local time via Zoom.** The purpose of the meeting is to outline solicitation requirements as well as to provide the opportunity for questions and explanations. Participation in the Pre-Proposal Conference is not mandatory, nor is it a condition of award. **Email ldrake@ghtd.org to register for the pre-proposal conference.**

To join the web meeting via Zoom, visit:
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89366215930?pwd=tBbQHuW8wYWIR0MU53PQlD8xotMTbs.1
Meeting ID: 893 6621 5930
Passcode: 093744
To call in by phone: (309) 205-3325

Proposals are due on or before 2:30pm local time, Tuesday, December 22, 2026 at the District offices located at One Union Place, Hartford, CT. All questions and requests for clarification regarding GHTD RFP #01-027 must be submitted in writing to LaShaunda Drake at or before noon, Friday, November 20, 2026.

The following were submitted in writing in reference to RFP #01-027 :

1.) **Question: Would there be any consideration to extend the due date till after the holidays?**

Answer: Not at this time. The District is working expeditiously to get this contract awarded according to the specified timeline in the RFP and an extension would delay the process.

2.) **Question: Is the RFP counting the Altoona test results in the 40 max page requirement?**

Answer: No.

3.) **Question: Section II.G states that the District and participating agencies reserve the right to have onsite inspectors at vehicle manufacturing facilities at their own expense. Does GHTD anticipate engaging independent third-party inspection firms to perform these services, or will inspections be conducted exclusively by District and participating agency personnel?**

Answer: The District and participating agencies will generally use both third party contractors and agency personnel for the federally required in-plan inspections.

4.) **Question: Will independent manufacturing inspection, quality assurance oversight, Buy America compliance auditing, and pre-delivery acceptance inspection services be procured through a separate solicitation or professional services agreement?**

Answer: Yes. Proposers should review the RFP content carefully regarding Buy America requirements associated with this solicitation.

5.) **Question: If independent inspection services are required, may qualified consulting firms contract directly with GHTD or individual participating agencies, or must these services be provided through the awarded vehicle manufacturers?**

Answer: The District will not be using the vehicle manufacturer or a manufacturers subcontractor for the inspections. These services will be procured through a separate competitive procurement process. Proposers should review the RFP content and required submission directions pertaining to these areas and Quality Assurance requirements associated with the procurement.

Question: Does the RFP permit independent inspection and compliance consulting firms to participate as subcontractors to awarded vehicle manufacturers or dealers? If so, are there restrictions intended to preserve independence between manufacturer quality assurance activities and inspections conducted on behalf of the purchasing agencies?

Answer: No.

6.) **Question: Are there specific minimum qualifications, professional certifications, insurance requirements, or prior experience requirements for third-party inspectors performing manufacturing oversight, Buy America audits, and vehicle acceptance inspections?**

Answer: The procurement of in-plant and other inspections and auditing services needed for the buses that may be purchased through this solicitation will be the subject of another separate RFP or procurement process and the specific qualifications, certifications, experience and other qualifications will be outlined in that separate procurement.

7.) **Question: If independent inspection services are not included in the scope of RFP #01-027, does GHTD maintain a separate procurement process, qualified vendor list, or upcoming solicitation through which firms such as BTCS may compete for these services?**

Answer: The District procures vehicle inspection services through a separate procurement process. Email ldrake@ghtd.org to be added to the distribution list for vehicle inspection services once the procurement becomes available. Participating agencies may have their own separate processes for procuring these services.

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