REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

PROFESSIONAL TRANSIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES

GREATER PEORIA MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT
2105 NE JEFFERSON AVE., PEORIA, IL 61603
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS – COVER PAGE

Issue Date: February 11, 2020

Title: Professional Transit Management Services

Reference Number: RFP# NF2020-01

Issuing and Using Agency: Greater Peoria Mass Transit District
Attn: Martha Howarter, Assistant CFO
2105 NE Jefferson Avenue
Peoria, Illinois 61603-3535

Proposals for Furnishing the Product(s)/Service(s) Described Herein Will Be Received Until:

4:00 PM on March 31, 2020

All Inquiries for Information Should Be Directed To: Address listed above or Phone (309) 679-8142.

IF PROPOSALS ARE MAILED OR HAND-DELIVERED, SEND DIRECTLY TO:
GPMTD PROCUREMENT, 2105 NE JEFFERSON AVENUE, PEORIA, ILLINOIS 61603-3535.

The Reference Number, Date and Time of proposal submission deadline, as reflected above, must clearly appear on the face of the returned proposal package.

In Compliance With This Request for Proposals And To All Conditions Imposed Therein and Hereby Incorporated By Reference, The Undersigned Offers And Agrees To Furnish The Goods/Services Described Herein In Accordance With The Attached Signed Proposal Or As Mutually Agreed Upon By Subsequent Negotiation.

Name and Address of Firm:  ____________________________  Date:  ____________________________

Name:  ____________________________  (Please Print)

By:  ____________________________  (Signature in ink)

Telephone: (   )____________________  Title:  ____________________________

Fax Number: (   )____________________  FEI/FIN Number:  ____________________________

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DEFINITION OF WORDS AND TERMS

Words and terms shall be given their ordinary and usual meanings. Where used in the Contract documents, the following words and terms shall have the meanings indicated. The meanings shall be applicable to the singular, plural, masculine, feminine and neuter of the words and terms.

Acceptance or Accepted: Written documentation of GPMTD’s determination that the Contractor’s Work has been completed in accordance with the Contract.

Addendum/Addenda: Written additions, deletions, clarification, interpretations, modifications or corrections to the solicitation documents issued by GPMTD during the Solicitation period and prior to contract award.

Administrative Change: Documentation provided by GPMTD to Contractor, which reflects internal GPMTD procedures not affecting the Contract terms or Scope of Work.

Buyer: Individual designated by GPMTD to conduct the Contract solicitation process, draft and negotiate contracts, resolves contractual issues and supports the Project Manager during Contract performance.

Change Documentation: A written document agreed upon by Project Managers, which if it creates a material change to the Contract term or Scope of Work shall be executed as a Contract Amendment.

Change Order: Written order issued by GPMTD, with or without notice to sureties, making changes in the Work within the scope of this Contract.

Contract Amendment: A written change to the Contract modifying, deleting or adding to the terms or scope of work, signed by both parties, with or without notice to the sureties.

Contract or Contract Documents: The writings and drawings embodying the legally binding obligations between GPMTD and the Contractor for completion of the Work.

Contract Period: The period of time during which the Contractor shall perform the Services or Work under the Contract.

Contract Price: Amount payable to the Contractor under the terms and conditions of the Contract for the satisfactory performance of the Services or Work under the Contract.

Contractor: The individual, association, partnership, firm, company, corporation, or combination thereof, including joint ventures, contracting with GPMTD for the performance of Services or Work under the Contract.

Cost Analysis: The review, evaluation and verification of cost data and the evaluation of the specific elements of costs and profit. Cost analysis is the application of judgment utilizing criteria to project from the data to the estimated costs in order to form an opinion on the degree to which proposed costs represent what the Contract should cost, assuming reasonable economy and efficiency.

Day: Calendar Day.

Documentation: Technical publications relating to the use of the Work to be provided by Contractor under this Contract, such as reference, user, installation, systems administration and technical guides, delivered by the Contractor to GPMTD.
DOT: Department of Transportation.

Final Acceptance: The point when GPMTD acknowledges that the Contractor has performed the entire Work in accordance with the Contract.

FTA: Federal Transit Administration.

GPMTD: Greater Peoria Mass Transit District.

Person: Includes individuals, associations, firms, companies, corporations, partnerships, and joint ventures.

Price Analysis: The process of examining and evaluating a price without evaluating its separate cost elements and proposed profit.

Procurement Administrator: The individual designated by GPMTD to administer the Contract and be the Contractor’s primary point of contact. The Procurement Administrator has no contracting authority.

Project Manager: The individual designated by GPMTD to manage the project on a daily basis and who may represent GPMTD for Contract Administration.

Proposer or Offeror or Bidder: Individual, association, partnership, firm, company, corporation or a combination thereof, including joint ventures, submitting a bid/proposal to perform the Work.

Provide: Furnish without additional charge.

Reference Documents: Reports, specifications, and/or drawings that is available to proposers for information and reference in preparing bids but not as part of this Contract.

RFP or Solicitation: Request for proposals; also known as the solicitation document.

Scope of Work or Statement of Work (SOW): A section of the Request for Proposals consisting of written descriptions of Services to be performed, or the goods to be provided, or the technical requirements to be fulfilled under this Contract.

Services: The furnishing of labor, time or effort by a Contractor, but not involving the delivery of any specific manufactured good.

Shall or Will: Whenever used to stipulate anything, Shall or Will means mandatory by either the Contractor or GPMTD, as applicable, and means that the Contractor or GPMTD, as applicable, has thereby entered into a covenant with the other party to do or perform the same.

Specifications or Technical Specifications: A Section of the Request for Proposals consisting of written descriptions of Services to be performed, or the goods to be provided, or the technical requirements to be fulfilled under this Contract.

Subcontractor: The individual, association, partnership, firm, company, corporation, or joint venture entering into an agreement with the Contractor to perform any portion of the Work covered by this Contract.
**Submittals**: Information that is submitted to the Procurement Administrator in accordance with the Scope of Work/Specifications.

**Work**: Everything to be provided and done for the fulfillment of the Contract and shall include all goods and services specified under this Contract, including Contract Amendments and settlements.
LEGAL NOTICE

February 11, 2020

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Professional Transit Management Services RFP #NF2020-01

The Greater Peoria Mass Transit District (“GPMTD”) is seeking proposals for Professional Transit Management Services. The scope of work/specifications is outlined in the Request for Proposals (RFP). The successful Proposer shall meet the terms and conditions set forth in this document and all other attachments.

The RFP, which includes the procurement schedule, may be obtained by downloading the document from GPMTD’s website found at www.ridecitylink.org/resources/procurement under ‘Current Projects’. All interested contractors should complete a Contractor’s Registration Form (contained in the RFP) and submit to the listed person, via e-mail. All questions should be directed to:

Martha Howarter, Assistant CFO
Greater Peoria Mass Transit District
2105 NE Jefferson Avenue
Peoria, IL 61603-3535
(309) 679-8142
E-mail: mhowarter@ridecitylink.org

All proposals must be received on or before 4:00 pm (CST) on March 31, 2020 at the address listed above.

The right is reserved to accept any proposal/bid or any part or parts thereof or to reject any and all proposals/bids. Acceptance of any proposal/bid is subject to concurrence by the Illinois Department of Transportation and the United States Department of Transportation.

Any contract resulting from these proposals is subject to financial assistance contract between the GPMTD and the United States Department of Transportation and the Illinois Department of Transportation.

Contractor will be required to comply with all applicable Equal Employment Opportunity laws and regulations.

Funding provided in whole or in part by the Illinois Department of Transportation “IDOT”.

INTERESTED PROPOSER REGISTRATION FORM

PROFESSIONAL TRANSIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES
RFP #NF2020-01

Date: February 11, 2020
To: Interested Proposers
Subject: Professional Transit Management Services RFP #NF2020-01

To Proposers:

The REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) and any issued addenda(s) are available for download at www.ridecitylink.org/resources/procurement. Please submit this Form to mhowarter@ridecitylink.org with your completed contact information.

Name of Interested Proposer: ____________________________________________
Name of Contact Person: _________________________________________________
Title of Contact Person: _________________________________________________
Street Address/Post Office Box: __________________________________________
City, State, Zip Code: ___________________________________________________
Telephone Number: _____________________________________________________
Fax Number: __________________________________________________________
E-Mail Address: _________________________________________________________
Website Address: _______________________________________________________ 
Date of Download : ______________________________________________________

This Form is requested to ensure that every Interested Contractor receives issued addenda(s) for this REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS. Failure to register this download may result in a rejection of the quotation due to non-compliance with addenda requirements. See ATTACHMENT C - ADDENDUM PAGE, which must be completed and submitted with the proposal that you provide to the Greater Peoria Mass Transit District.

Thank you for your interest. We look forward to receiving your proposal.

Sincerely,
Martha Howarter
Assistant CFO
PH: (309)679-8142
SECTION 1 - INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSIERS

1-1 Introduction

The Greater Peoria Mass Transit District ("GPMTD" or "the District") is the primary public transportation provider for the greater Peoria region. The GPMTD is a municipal corporation within the State of Illinois. GPMTD provides economic, social, and environmental benefits to the community through progressive, customer focused, transportation service by combining state of the art equipment and facilities with professional, well trained staff. The GPMTD has intergovernmental agreements with City of East Peoria, City of Pekin and County of Peoria to provide various services.

The District employs approximately 191 full and part-time employees, operates 20 fixed routes within the City of Peoria, City of East Peoria, City of Pekin, Village of Peoria Heights and West Peoria Township and maintains an active fleet of 53 fixed-route buses. GPMTD has three (3) facilities comprised of an Administration Building and Maintenance Building located at 2105 NE Jefferson, and a Transit Center located at 407 SW Adams.

In addition, the GPMTD provides complementary ADA paratransit service ("CityLift") within the service area utilizing 36 medium duty vans as well as providing rural and urban services ("CountyLink") within Peoria County utilizing 12 medium duty vans. The GPMTD currently contracts the CityLift and CountyLink services to a third-party provider.

1-2 Purpose

The GPMTD Request for Proposals (RFP) is requesting sealed proposals from a qualified company for the provision of providing professional transit management with the option for technical support services. The GPMTD desires to engage with a company to provide the day-to-day management of the GPMTD transit system using a resident management team under the direction of the GPMTD Board of Trustees.

1-3 Proposal Submission

The proposer will submit:

- One (1) original;
- Six (6) hard copies;

Original and required copies, complete with all signed affidavits and certifications, will be bound together. Oversize pages used for drawings or similar purposes are allowed. The package containing the proposal must be clearly marked with the words "Proposal for Professional Transit Management Services RFP #NF2020-01" and the time and date proposals are due. The District will not accept responsibility for late proposals that may be improperly routed in the mail or otherwise delivered after the prescribed date and time.

The District shall not be responsible for unintentional premature opening of a proposal that has not been properly addressed and identified per the instructions included with this RFP. All proposals are due NO LATER THAN 4:00 pm (CST), March 31, 2020.
Proposal Requirement, Format and Required Content

Proposals shall be prepared in a clear, concise, and economical manner. Proposals should be bound simply and sections shall be tabbed to coincide with the sections of the RFP and pages should be numbered in each section.

There is no page limitation or minimum document size, but any information the Proposer submits is expected to be concise and relevant to the RFP. Illustrations may be included in the proposal. Proposals that do not adhere to the required format, are difficult to read or are deemed illegible by the District may be rejected.

Proposals shall adhere to the following format and contain the following items in the order outlined below:

A. **Request for Proposals Cover Page (page 2) and all executed Attachments**

B. **Cover Letter, providing the following information:**
   1. Identification of the proposer(s), including name, address and telephone number of the appropriate contact person at each company/firm.
   2. Proposed working relationship among proposing companies/firms, if applicable.
   3. Signature of a person authorized to bind the proposing firm/company to the terms of the proposal.

C. **Notice of Exception(s) (if applicable)**

D. **Qualifications and Capabilities of the Company**

   A. **Organizational Capabilities and the Resident Management Team** - Professional personnel assigned to the operation of the services will be measured by experience and education, with particular reference to experience on similar projects as that described in the RFP.

   1. Name(s) and title(s) of all key personnel proposed for the duration of the contract. In the event that oral presentations are conducted, the designated key personnel will be required to attend along with other representatives of the Proposer.

   2. Provide a brief profile of the Proposer, including its principal line of business, year founded, form of organization and a general description of the Proposer’s financial condition. Identify any conditions (bankruptcy, pending merger, pending litigation, planned office closures) that may affect the Proposer’s ability to complete the project.

   3. Identify all qualifications and organizational capabilities that will establish the proposer as a satisfactory provider of the required product or service by reason of its strength and stability.
B. **Related Experiences and References** - The Proposer shall submit a complete list of clients in the United States within the past three years that have awarded the Proposer contracts for similar services. The information shall describe the contract, including U.S. dollar value, number of vehicles, annual passenger trips, number of years the company has held the contract, and the current contract start date. Any situation in which claims for damages have or are being made against the Proposer, a contract has been canceled, or a claim has been made on a surety bond, must be clearly explained. A contact person's name and phone number from each procuring agency must be provided. Beyond product and service history, the structure of the corporation, availability of corporate support, and the financial viability of the firm will be considered. Additionally, GPMTD is seeking the ability of the Proposer to demonstrate a history of providing high quality customer service, as quality is a vital review component.

C. **Technical Capacity** – This criterion considers the Proposer’s compliance with and methodology for providing the minimum required scope of work services being proposed, to include how these services will be provided, and the Proposer’s ability to meet the needs of GPMTD’s for the desired services. This category will also consider the Proposer’s ability to meet or exceed the Scope of Work requirements and objectives provided. GPMTD welcomes suggestions or enhancements, to the requirements outlined in the RFP Scope of Work but the suggestions, enhancements, and other services must meet minimum requirements as outlined in this RFP solicitation.

D. **Cost Proposal Price** - Price is an important determinant for award, but not the sole consideration. Price shall be evaluated on its overall relationship to the project. The company must demonstrate its financial capability, including financial resources to sustain operations. This can be obtained by providing audited financial statements.

E. **The Effectiveness of the Management Plan** – Please propose a five-year management plan that will support GPMTD’s growth into the future.

1-5 **Proposal Signature**

Each proposal shall include the RFP Cover Page signed by a person authorized to bind the proposing firm to the terms of the Contract. Proposals signed by an agent are to be accompanied by evidence of that person's authority.

1-6 **Inquiries**

The proposer is required to show on all correspondence with the GPMTD the following: "Proposal for Professional Transit Management Services RFP #NF2020-01". Any communication with GPMTD should be written and directed to: Martha Howarter, Assistant CFO, GPMTD, 2105 NE Jefferson Avenue, Peoria, Illinois 61603-3535. Written communication may also be forwarded via email to mhowarter@ridetemcitylink.org. Correspondence will not be accepted by any other means or by any other GPMTD staff member.
1-7  **Procurement Schedule**

The projected schedule for this procurement is:

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<td>Request for Proposals available:</td>
<td>February 11, 2020</td>
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<td>Deadline for questions and clarifications 4:00 pm (CST):</td>
<td>March 2, 2020</td>
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<td>Deadline for responses to questions and clarifications:</td>
<td>March 13, 2020</td>
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<td>Proposals due by 4:00 pm (CST):</td>
<td>March 31, 2020</td>
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<td>Potential Interview Conducted</td>
<td>April 13-17, 2020</td>
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<td>Recommend to GPMTD Board:</td>
<td>June 2020</td>
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<td>Anticipated start-up date:</td>
<td>August 1, 2020</td>
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1-8  **Interviews & Presentations**

GPMTD may schedule interviews and presentations for Proposers submitting proposals for this project. These interviews and presentations will allow selected Proposers to present their proposals and approaches to this project in greater depth.

GPMTD will expect the Proposer’s main contact to take an active part in making the presentation at the Proposer’s interview.

The interview and presentation will last approximately one (1) hour. Your presentation should be limited to approximately 20 minutes. The remainder of the time will be used for follow-up discussion and questions.

The presentations will be at the Greater Peoria Mass Transit District offices on 2105 NE Jefferson Avenue Peoria, IL.

1-9  **Proposal Specifics**

The GPMTD Board of Trustees and/or the GPMTD Selection Committee reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

1-10 **Examination of RFP and Contract Documents**

Proposers are expected to examine the Scope of Work, scope of services required, specifications, schedules, compliance requirements and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the Proposer's risk. It is the intent of these specifications to provide service(s) of first quality, and the workmanship must be the best obtainable in the various trades. The service(s) proposed must be high quality in all respects. No advantage will be taken by the Proposer in the omission of any part or detail, which goes to make the service(s) complete. All manner of workmanship and material used in the production of the services and not herein contained or specified shall be of the industry standard and shall conform to the best practices known in the industry.

The submission of a proposal shall constitute an acknowledgment upon which GPMTD may rely on that the Proposer has thoroughly examined and is familiar with the solicitation, instructions and
Scope of Work, including any work site identified in the RFP, and has reviewed and inspected all applicable statutes, regulations, ordinances and resolutions addressing or relating to the goods and services to be provided hereunder. The failure or neglect of a Proposer to receive or examine such documents, work sites, statutes, regulations, ordinances, or resolutions shall in no way relieve the Proposer from any obligations with respect to its Proposal or to any Contract awarded pursuant to this RFP. No claim for additional compensation will be allowed which is based on lack of knowledge or misunderstanding of this RFP, work sites, statutes, regulations, ordinances, or resolutions.

1-11 Interpretation of RFP and Contract Documents

No oral interpretations as to the meaning of the RFP will be made to any Proposer. Any explanation desired by a Proposer regarding the meaning or interpretation of the RFP, Scope of Work, Specifications, etc., must be requested in writing and with sufficient time allowed (as defined in 1-7, Procurement Schedule) for a reply to reach all Proposers before the submission of their proposals. Any interpretation or change made will be in the form of an addendum to the RFP, specifications, etc., as appropriate. All addendums will be furnished as promptly as is practicable to all contractors who have registered to submit a proposal on this RFP and to whom the RFP has been issued to at least seven (7) calendar days prior to the proposal due date. **All addenda will become part of the RFP and any subsequently awarded Contract.** Oral explanations, statements, or instructions given by the District before the award of the Contract will not be binding upon the GPMTD.
SECTION 2 – SCOPE OF WORK

2-1 Introduction/Background

The GPMTD Request for Proposals (RFP) is requesting sealed proposals from a qualified company for the provision of providing professional transit management and technical support services. The GPMTD desires to engage with a company to provide the day-to-day management of the GPMTD transit system using a resident management team under the direction of the GPMTD Board of Trustees.

The GPMTD is the primary public transportation provider for the greater Peoria region. The GPMTD is a municipal corporation within the State of Illinois. GPMTD provides economic, social, and environmental benefits to the community through progressive, customer focused, transportation service by combining state of the art equipment and facilities with professional, well trained staff. The GPMTD has inter-governmental agreements with City of East Peoria, City of Pekin and County of Peoria to provide various services.

The mayors or township supervisors of the communities served appoint the five (5) GPMTD board members. The distribution of board representation is determined on the basis of population. Presently, three of the Board members represent the City of Peoria, one Board member represents West Peoria Township, and the other board member represents the Village of Peoria Heights. Each member, who serves a four-year term, has one vote. The General Manager of GPMTD reports to a five-member Board of Trustees, appointed by the municipalities comprising the GPMTD. Currently, First Transit, Inc. directly employs the GPMTD's General Manager, Assistant General Manager of Operations and an Assistant General Manager of Maintenance. The Board reserves the right to reduce the team to a General Manager and one Assistant Manager. If the Board elects to reduce the staff an adjustment in the Contract rate will be made as provided for herein.

The District employs approximately 191 full and part-time employees, operates 20 fixed routes within the City of Peoria, City of East Peoria, City of Pekin, Village of Peoria Heights and West Peoria Township and maintains an active fleet of 53 fixed-route buses. GPMTD has three (3) facilities comprised of an Administration Building and Maintenance Building located at 2105 NE Jefferson, and a Transit Center located at 407 SW Adams.

In addition, the GPMTD provides complementary ADA paratransit service (“CityLift”) within the service area utilizing 36 medium duty vans as well as providing rural and urban services (“CountyLink”) within Peoria County utilizing 12 medium duty vans. The GPMTD currently contracts the CityLift and CountyLink services to a third-party provider.

The management services to be provided include, but are not limited to, those relating to management of a transit center, information booth, pass sales, transit planning, daily operations, marketing, advertising, equipment and facilities, utilization maintenance, security, routes, scheduling, fare structure, service standards, budgeting accounting purchasing, safety, insurance, claims, employee selection/training, labor negotiations/relations, public relations, coordination with planning and paratransit agencies, administration of contracts for special transportation services, and such other management functions as needed in the operation of an urban transit system. The GPMTD's Board of Trustees will develop overall policy, establish fare policy and structure and provide overall goals for the transit system.

The resident team is to be supported by the corporate staff (support services) of the Firm and any other individuals who may possess a technical expertise relevant to the effective operation of the transit system. In addition to the personnel to be assigned, the GPMTD also seeks other services.
such as technical assistance, access to training services, etc. which will also be beneficial to the transit system. The contractor will describe what services may be available and the cost.

The goal of this Scope of Work is to ensure that all participants are fully informed of all project requirements, deliverables and obligations. This document will be used as a portion of a contract for project planning and execution, and once approved, will indicate full acceptance of the Scope of Work.

GPMTD was established in 1970 with the passage of a dedicated property tax. The state sales tax revenue and federal funding provide additional support for the system. The system is financed by passenger revenues, local taxes, and is eligible for Federal and State financial assistance. In fiscal year 2019, financial support came from fares (operating revenue) – 10%, FTA – 8%, State – 65%, Local Taxes – 17%.

**Fare Structure**
The GPMTD’s fares are regulated by the Federal Transit Administration Policy. GPMTD cannot charge more than 50% of the base fare to seniors or people with disabilities on its regular route service and cannot charge more than twice its base fare for its specialized paratransit service for people with disabilities. The current base fare is $1.00. The GPMTD offers a 30-day unlimited ride pass, an all-day unlimited ride pass as well as a single one-way ride.

**Fixed Route Service**
GPMTD currently offers twenty (20) regular fixed routes. Operating on a time-transfer system, all GPMTD vehicles radiate from downtown Peoria, the geographic hub of the urbanized area. Service is operated on Weekdays, Saturdays and Sunday. The weekday peak vehicle requirement is forty-four (44) buses. Peak service frequencies are 30 minutes. The Weekday service begins at 5:30 AM and concludes at 6:15 PM on most routes with Weekday evening service on selected routes operating as late as 1:00 AM. For FY2019, fixed route ridership was over 2.5 million. In September 2019, the GPMTD received recommendations from the Comprehensive Operation Analysis to re-align certain routes and services. The GPMTD is in the process of implementing recommendations. In addition, the GPMTD is the process of implementing the Automated Vehicle Locator (AVL) system including passenger counts.

In 2019, the GPMTD was awarded a $2.32 million 5339 (c) grant, partnered with Protera, for the purchase of two (2) electric buses with charging station.

**ADA Paratransit and Rural/Urban Services**
GPMTD provides ADA paratransit and Urban/Rural services through MV Transportation, Inc. GPMTD is currently under contract with MV Transportation, Inc. to provide ADA paratransit service to persons with disabilities within the cities of Peoria, East Peoria, the Village of Peoria Heights, West Peoria Township and Pekin. In July 2018, GPMTD entered into an Intergovernmental agreement with Peoria County to provide Rural/Urban services. In March 2019, the GPMTD assumed the contract between Peoria County and MV Transportation to provide the Urban/Rural service contract.

MV Transportation, Inc. is responsible for the day to day management and operation of the paratransit, urban and rural service under its contract to GPMTD. MV Transportation currently operates thirty-one (31) paratransit during peak hours on a daily basis. For Rural/Urban service, MV Transportation operates a total of thirteen (13) medium duty vehicles on a Monday-Friday schedule.
Participation in this paratransit program is restricted to persons who are eligible under the requirements of the ADA. GPMTD contracts with the Institute of Physical Medicine to perform the eligibility certification process. According to ADA requirements, fares may be set at a maximum of twice the cost to use fixed route services. In fiscal year 2019, 143,841 passenger trips were recorded on the ADA paratransit service. The one-way fare for paratransit services is $2.00.

Rural and Urban rider fares are $6.00 and $4.00, respectively.

Facilities
In 2003, the GPMTD opened its Transit Center/Daycare Facility located within the Peoria Central Business District. The Center included state of the art covered passenger wait area, adjacent bus stops with 19 bus-parking stalls, a passenger terminal and a daycare facility. In fall 2019, the Transit Center began a remodel to update the lobby of the terminal, public restrooms and driver’s breakroom as well as the information, security and administrative offices. GPMTD's customers enjoy the ability to pay their AmerenCilco, Illinois-American Water and Peoria Sanitation bills as well as other local utilities at the Center. Peoria Charter Coach and Burlington Trailways transportation services are available at the Transit Center. As of February 2020, the GPMTD has taken over the on-location Burlington Trailways service for processing ticket sales. In addition, the daycare facility accommodates up to 86 infants and children (under 5 years of age) and is operated by Myah’s Children Connection, Inc. The combination of a Transit Center/Daycare Facility was the first of its kind in Illinois.

GPMTD's main facility is located at 2105 NE Jefferson Avenue, Peoria, IL. This facility houses all GPMTD's administrative, maintenance and operating functions.

In Spring 2018, the GPMTD was awarded a $3.6 million grant under 5339(b) to be used for the construction of a new Maintenance, Operation and Administration complex. With this award, the GPMTD began the process of updating the original 2004 feasibility study. In January 2019, the GPMTD Board of Trustees received an updated immersion study for a new Maintenance, Operation and Administrative complex. The immersion resulted in an estimated $30 million complex broken out into five (5) phases. Currently, phase 1, updating the service lane is in process and is expected to be completed in March 2020. A 30% design was conducted and completed related to the project. The remaining 70% design is in process with a recently selected A&E firm. The NEPA and Section 106 approvals for the construction has been obtained.

In December 2019, the GPMTD finalized and signed a $6 million grant with the Illinois Department of Transportation which is to be used as Local match for the construction process.

2-2 Scope of Work

The GPMTD is seeking a qualified Transit Management Firm to provide services for its day-to-day operation. The GPMTD is interested in employing a Management Company that will optimize cost effectiveness, increase ridership, provide superior customer service, financial stability, staff development, innovativeness, schedule adherence and image of the fleet and system including cleanliness.

The Management Firm and its resident team shall furnish a General Manager, Assistant General Manager of Operations and an Assistant General Manager of Maintenance. Central office services of the Management Company shall also be provided. The Board has the option to reduce the resident team to a General Manager and one Assistant GM. If the Board elects to reduce the staff the contractor will reduce the price as provided for herein. It is not the intent of the GPMTD to
determine the structure for the proposers. The GPMTD, however, will ensure that all necessary services are provided.

The proposers shall provide a General Manager who has the ability to oversee the daily operations. The individual shall have experience in administration, customer service, finance, operations, labor relations and negotiations, insurance and risk management, and maintenance.

The Assistant General Manager of Operations and Assistant General Manager of Maintenance shall have the abilities and experience in the execution of the duties of his/her position. Central office services shall provide the expertise in specialized functions to ensure accelerated problem solving in support of the resident management team and the GPMTD.

The members of the proposed resident management team cannot be candidates for any other company submitting a proposal to the GPMTD. By submitting a proposal each Firm irrevocably commits that the persons proposed as their resident management team; General Manager, Assistant General Manager of Operations and Assistant General Manager of Maintenance, are the candidates of record as of March 31, 2020 and these individuals cannot be changed or substituted during GPMTD's evaluation/contract award process. Failure to comply with these requirements will cause the Firm's proposal to be rejected.

GPMTD is requesting that the contractor provide an alternative proposed which includes technical and support services which the contractor has available and the proposed cost for those services to be made available to GPMTD at the option of GPMTD.

2-2.1 Term of Contract

The term of the Contract shall be for three (3) years beginning on August 1, 2020 and ending July 31, 2023. Also included is two (2) one-year option for August 1, 2023 – July 31, 2025. The two (2) one-year option shall be renewed at the sole discretion of the GPMTD.

2-2.2 Reimbursement and Compensation

The proposed contract shall be of the fixed fee type. All of the expenses of operating the transit system with the exception of the General Manager, Assistant General Manager of Operations, the Assistant General Manager of Maintenance and other services provided by the Firm, will be paid directly by the GPMTD or reimbursed to the Firm. The cost of operating the system shall be all costs for personnel, material, supplies, etc. with the exception of the payroll and related costs of the General Manager, Assistant General Manager of Operations, Assistant General Manager of Maintenance and all other consulting and technical services provided by the Firm.

In addition to reimbursement for system costs, if any are applicable, GPMTD will compensate the Firm for services rendered based on an annual management fee payable monthly by payment of a fixed fee per month. Such fee shall cover all costs incurred by the Firm in providing the management services, including but not necessarily limited to:

1. Salary and all related costs, including moving and relocation expenses of the General Manager, Assistant General Manager of Operations and the Assistant General Manager of Maintenance.
2. Cost of all consulting support and technical services by the Firm which GPMTD selects to use. No travel expense will be paid by GPMTD for travel related to consulting and technical services.
3. The cost of the fidelity bond protecting GPMTD from dishonest or fraudulent acts by the Firm’s personnel.
4. Firm overhead and profit.
5. The District will pay for expenses related to attending major conferences on a preapproved schedule or budget approval in advance by the Board.

2-2.3 Management Service Fee Adjustment

The Contractor is required to disclose to GPMTD related to resident managers' salaries and benefit costs in order to determine the reasonableness for adjustment of resident manager’s absence.

2-3 Transition

If GPMTD selects a Firm other than its current Management Company, it may require the new Company to have its Resident General Manager on site prior to termination of the existing contract (July 31, 2020) in order to provide for a smooth transition. GPMTD and the new Firm will negotiate a separate fee arrangement to cover the transition period if it begins prior to the Contract start date.

2-4 Responsibility of the Management Team

General Manager

The General Manager of the successful Proposer shall have at least five (5) years experience as the manager or senior level manager of a similarly sized transit district providing mass transit services to a population of at least 100,000, some of which must have involved reporting directly to a political body, or equivalent experience or education. He/She shall possess a minimum education of a Bachelors degree in business, public administration, political science, urban planning or a related field. The General Manager must demonstrate overall experience in managing a bus transit system in an urbanized area including any previous experience and success in increasing ridership both within the current markets served and in expanding markets created through his/her efforts. The General Manager must have experience and be knowledgeable of federal and state funding and of the rules and regulations that accompany such funding. He/She must also have extensive experience working and negotiating with a collective bargaining unit. The General Manager should also demonstrate past experience and success in developing and executing a strategic plan for a transit system and in working with local and state governments and in expanding and marketing such systems.

The initial selection and appointment, or any change, or any replacement of the General Manager shall be the responsibility of the Firm, but shall not be made without first obtaining the advice and consent of the GPMTD. If the GPMTD finds the General Manager is no longer acceptable to it, the Firm shall replace such General Manager at its cost. In the event of the disability of this person for a period in excess of 30 days, the Firm will secure a qualified individual to fill said position for as long as such disability may continue, or will replace such individual, if necessary, all subject to the advice and consent of the GPMTD. Personnel supplied by the Firm will be expected to live within GPMTD's service area.
**Assistant General Manager, Operations**
The Assistant General Manager of Operations of the successful Proposer shall have at least three (3) years’ experience, or equivalent, as a senior level manager of a similarly sized transit system, most of which must have involved direct oversight of the day-to-day operations of the system. The Assistant General Manager of Operations must be knowledgeable of the general industry practices and procedures used within this area. He/She must also have extensive experience in all matters involving personnel, including the resolution of complaints and grievances.

**Assistant General Manager, Maintenance**
The Assistant General Manager of Maintenance of the successful Proposer shall have at least three (3) years of experience, or equivalent, as a senior level manager of a similarly sized transit system, most of which must have involved direct oversight of the day-to-day operations of a Maintenance Facility. The Assistant General Manager of Maintenance must be knowledgeable of the general industry practices and procedures used within this area. He/She must also have extensive experience in all matters involving personnel, including the resolution of complaints and grievances.

The Firm may make recommendations, and GPMTD may request information or recommendations, regarding any of the above areas of operations and maintenance or other which may be appropriate, and the decision of the GPMTD shall be binding and final with regards thereto.

**Support Services**
In addition to the management team, the successful Proposer will have a central staff that is available to assist the management team on an as needed basis. The central staff must be sufficient and have sufficient experience so as to be able to offer any such assistance in a timely manner.

**Fidelity Security**
The Firm, at its sole cost and expense, shall provide a Fidelity Security, insurance policy, or bond in an amount of $1,000,000 in the form acceptable to GPMTD to protect GPMTD. Failure to provide or maintain either of such security or notice that such security will be cancelled or not renewed shall be considered a material breach of this contract. Such security shall be provided with the executed contract.

**Assets, Material and Supplies**
The GPMTD always has vehicles available for use.

The GPMTD will furnish to the Firm necessary equipment, office furniture, bus maintenance and storage facilities and offices, which may be required by the Firm in the performance of the proposed contract.
SECTION 3 – PROPOSAL SUBMITION PROVISIONS

3-1 Postponement, Amendment and/or Cancellation of Request for Proposals

The GPMTD reserves the right to revise or amend any portion of this RFP prior to the date and time for the proposal delivery. Such revisions and amendments, if any, shall be issued through addenda to this RFP. Copies of such addenda and/or amendments shall be placed on the GPMTD website and will be furnished to the Proposer’s email address submitted on the Contractors Registration Form. If the revisions or addenda require changes in requested information or the format for proposal submission, the established date for submission of proposals contained in this RFP may be postponed by such number of days as, in the GPMTD’s opinion, shall enable Proposers adequate time to revise their proposals.

GPMTD reserves the right to cancel this RFP at any time or change the date and time for submitting proposals by announcing same prior to the date and time established for proposal submittal.

3-2 Rejection of Proposals

GPMTD reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and waive any minor informalities or irregularities.

3-3 Clarification of Proposals

The District reserves the right to obtain clarification of any point in a proposal or to obtain additional information necessary to properly evaluate a particular proposal. Failure of a Proposer to respond to such a request for additional information or clarification may result in the proposals’ rejection.

3-4 Modification or Withdrawal of Proposals and Late Proposals

At any time before the time and date set for submittal of proposals, a Proposer may request to withdraw or modify its Proposal. Such a request must be made in writing by a person with authority as identified on the RFP Cover Page, provided their identity is made known and a receipt is signed for the proposal. All proposal modifications shall be made in writing executed and submitted in the same form and manner as the original proposal. Any proposal or modification of proposal received at GPMTD's office designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for proposal receipt will not be considered.

3-5 Errors and Administrative Corrections

GPMTD will not be responsible for any errors in proposals. Proposers will only be allowed to alter proposals after the submittal deadline in response to requests for clarifications by GPMTD. GPMTD reserves the right to request an extension of the proposal period from a Proposer or Proposers.

GPMTD reserves the right to allow corrections or amendments to be made that are due to minor administrative errors or irregularities, such as errors in typing, transposition or similar administrative errors. Erasures or other changes or entries made by the proposer must be initialed by the person signing the proposal.
3-6 Compliance with RFP Terms and Attachments

GPMTD intends to award a Contract based on the terms, conditions, and attachments contained in this RFP. Proposers are strongly advised to not take any exceptions. Proposers shall submit proposals which respond to the requirements of the RFP. An exception is not a response to a RFP requirement.

Proposers are cautioned that exceptions to the terms, conditions, and attachments may result in rejection of the proposal.

3-7 Collusion

The proposer guarantees that the proposal submitted is not a product of collusion with any other proposer, and no effort has been made to fix the proposal price of any proposer or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost element of any proposal price (Affidavit of Non-Collusion). Failure to submit the signed affidavit at the time of bid opening shall be grounds for disqualification of the proposer's offer.

If GPMTD determines that collusion has occurred among Proposers, none of the proposals from the participants in such collusion shall be considered. GPMTD’s determination shall be final.

3-8 Taxes and Interest

GPMTD is exempt from payment of Federal, Excise and Transportation Tax, and the Illinois Sales, Excise and Use Tax. Proposers will not include these taxes in their proposed price(s). All other government taxes, duties, fees, licenses, permits, royalties, assessments, and charges shall be included in the proposed price.

GPMTD will not pay interest on unpaid or disputed invoices, whether due or overdue.

3-9 Single Proposal Response

If only one Proposal is received in response to the RFP, a sample of two (2) Proposals, if available, awarded to the Proposer within the past two (2) years may be requested of the single Proposer. A cost/price analysis and/or audit may be performed of the cost proposal in order to determine if the price is fair and reasonable.

3-10 Exclusionary or Discriminatory Specifications

GPMTD agrees that it will comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. Section 5323(h) (2) by refraining from using any Federal assistance awarded by the FTA to support procurements using exclusionary or discriminatory specifications. GPMTD further agrees to refrain from using state or local geographic preferences, except those expressly mandated or encouraged by Federal Statute.

3-11 Protest Procedures

Pre-Proposal Protests:
All protests concerning solicitation specifications, criteria and/or procedures shall be submitted in writing (defined as being sent or received via letter or facsimile on official firm/agency letterhead or by electronic mail) to the Board Chair as specified below not later than ten (10) business days prior to the deadline for submission of bids/proposals.
The Board Chair may, within his or her discretion, postpone the deadline for submission of bids/proposals, but in any case, shall provide a written response to all protests not later than five (5) business days prior to the deadline for submission of bids/proposals. If the deadline for submission of bids/proposals is postponed by the Board Chair as the result of a protest the postponement will be announced through an addendum to the solicitation.

The decision by the Board Chair shall be the final agency decision on the matter.

Pre-Award Protests:
With respect to protests made after the deadline for submission of bids/proposals but before contract award by GPMTD, protests shall be limited to those protests alleging a violation of Federal or State law, a challenge to the bids/proposals evaluation and award process.

Such protests shall be submitted in writing (defined as being sent or received via letter or facsimile on official firm/agency letterhead or by electronic mail) to the Board Chair as specified below not later than five (5) business days after the Recommendation for Contract Award announcement by GPMTD.

The Board Chair, within his or her discretion, postpone the award of the contract, but in any case, shall provide a written response to all protests not later than three (3) business days prior to the date that GPMTD shall announce the contract award.

The decision by the Board Chair shall be the final agency decision on the matter.

Requirements for Protests:
All protests must be submitted to GPMTD in writing (defined as being sent or received via letter or facsimile on official firm/agency letterhead or by electronic mail), with sufficient documentation, evidence and legal authority to demonstrate that the Protestor is entitled to the relief requested. The protest must be certified as being true and correct to the best knowledge and information of the Protestor, and be signed by the Protestor. The protest must also include a mailing address to which a response should be sent.

Protests received after the deadlines for receipt of protests specified above are subject to denial without any requirement for review or action by GPMTD.

All protests must be directed in writing (defined as being sent or received via letter or facsimile on official firm/agency letterhead or by electronic mail) to the Board Chair at the address shown in the solicitation documents.

Protest Response:
The Board Chair shall issue written responses to all protests received by the required protest response dates. All protest responses shall be transmitted by first-class U.S. Postal Service to the address indicated in the protest letter.

For convenience, GPMTD will also send a copy of the response to a protest to the Protester by facsimile and/or electronic mail if a facsimile number and/or electronic mail address are indicated in the protest letter. The protest response transmitted by U.S. Postal Service shall be the official GPMTD response to the protest and GPMTD will not be responsible for the failure of the Protester to receive the protest response by either facsimile or electronic mail.
3-12 Insurance Requirements

Contractor shall not commence work until all insurance required under this section has been obtained and the proper insurance verification has been provided to GPMTD. The Contractor will maintain the minimum Insurance coverage standard for the type of services being provided throughout the contract.

3-12.1 General Requirements

All insurance policies shall be written with a company or companies licensed to conduct business within the State of Illinois and holding a current Best’s Key Rating of A- VII or better. Contractor agrees to name GPMTD as additional insureds on General, Business Automobile and Excess or Umbrella liability and Professional Liability Insurance policies by endorsement to the policies. Insurance policies shall be endorsed to give GPMTD thirty (30) day’s written notice (ten (10) days in case of Workers Compensation) of cancellation for any reason, non-renewal or material change in coverage or limits. In case of non-payment of premium by Contractor, GPMTD retains the rights but is not obligated to pay any premiums and deduct such amounts from any payments due to the Contractor.

There shall be no exclusions for punitive damages in the General or Business Automobile policies.

Complete, certified copies of all insurance policies applicable to this agreement will be sent to GPMTD within 60 days of each inception or anniversary date, so that these insurance policies may be reviewed by GPMTD. Until copies of policies are received, Evidence of Coverage in the form of an original Certificate of Insurance shall be submitted to GPMTD. The Contractor also agrees to have deficiencies in the insurance policies amended as per the directions of GPMTD or its representative.

3.12.2 Required Coverages

The Contractor agrees to provide the following coverages:

A. **Commercial General Liability** (Occurrence Form), either singly or in combination with Excess or Umbrella Liability Insurance policy covering all operations with the following limits:

- Each Occurrence (Bodily Injury, Property Damage) $1,000,000
- Personal and Advertising Injury Limit $1,000,000
- General Aggregate Limit $1,000,000
- Products and Completed Operations Aggregate Limit $1,000,000
- Fire Damage Limit $50,000
- Medical Payments – Any One Person $5,000

B. **Business Automobile Policy** either singly or in combination with Excess or Umbrella Liability Insurance policy covering all operations with the following limits:

- Owned, Hired or Non Owned (Per Accident) $1,000,000
- Medical Payments (Each Person) $5,000
- Comprehensive ($5,000 Deductible – Maximum) Actual Cash Value
- Collision ($5,000 Deductible – Maximum) Actual Cash Value
In the case of policies that list specific vehicles or specific drivers, proof of coverage is required to be provided to GPMTD for each vehicle or driver before it can be used in service. The Contractor will be fully responsible for all physical damage deductibles to GPMTD owned vehicles. In addition, Contractor will be fully responsible for all rental costs and other costs associated with any vehicles that replace any vehicle that sustains any type of physical damage.

C. **Workers Compensation**

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All States and Voluntary Compensation endorsements shall be included in the Workers Compensation policy. Workers Compensation shall be provided to all employees of the Contractor.
SECTION 4 – PROPOSAL EVALUATION & CONTRACT AWARD

4-1 General

GPMTD shall employ the qualification-based selection process in a negotiated purchase method in making the award for this procurement. Technical information and price information will be evaluated.

The Evaluation Committee may elect to interview proposers in order to clarify their proposals and/or for the Proposers to make oral presentations. If interviews, presentations, or negotiations are held, the evaluation team may reevaluate the proposals of those firms interviewed. GPMTD expects all Proposers to fully cooperate with its evaluation process.

4-2 Eligibility for Award / Preliminary Proposal Review

The preliminary review is the initial step in the proposal review process and the purpose is to gauge the responsiveness of the Proposer. The proposals will be preliminarily evaluated according to the following criteria:

- The completeness of the proposal,
- The Proposer has submitted proposal on or before the required due date and time,
- The required forms, certifications, and deliverables have been submitted.

Failure to meet any or all of the above criteria will result in a nonresponsive proposal and said proposal will be rejected in its entirety.

In order to qualify as a Responsible Proposer, in addition to the other requirements herein provided, a Proposer must be prepared to prove to the satisfaction of the District that it has the integrity, skill, and experience to faithfully perform the conditions of the Contract and that it has the necessary financial resources to provide the services in a satisfactory manner and within the time specified.

To be considered skilled and experienced, the Proposer must show, among other requirements of the District, that it has satisfactorily supplied services of the same general type and scope as that which is called for in the RFP. Certify that they are not on the U.S. Comptroller General’s list of ineligible Contractors.

The Proposer shall maintain at all times, the necessary insurance, licenses, permits or certifications required and may be required to furnish evidence of the same.

4-3 Evaluation of Proposals

The Evaluation Committee will evaluate the proposals in accordance with the criteria set forth below. The total evaluation points, as separately determined by each Evaluation Committee member, will be added together, and each Proposer will be ranked in numerical sequence, from the highest to the lowest score.

The Evaluation Committee may require written clarification to questions raised in the Proposal. The Evaluation Committee may also ask the top proposers from this process to give them a presentation, which will be evaluated using the same criteria as that used for the proposals. Attendance at oral interviews is at the vendor’s expense.
The Evaluation Committee’s final rankings and recommendations will be provided to the GPMTD’s Board of Trustees for review and subsequent independent evaluation.

4-4 Scoring and Evaluation Criteria

Each criterion has been assigned a weighting factor that reflects the relative significance or priority each criterion has in determining quality associated with this service. Conversely, the proposal receiving the highest total score shall be deemed the proposal in the opinion of GPMTD, best meets the established criteria listed herein. Proposals will be rated on a scale from one (lowest rating) to ten (highest rating) with regard to each evaluation criterion. As such, the proposal that is evaluated by an evaluation team member as the best with regard to a particular criterion will receive the maximum number of points for that criterion. The evaluation criteria are listed as follows:

- Organizational Capabilities and the Resident Management Team (25%)
- Prior Performance on Similar Projects / Background and Experience (20%)
- Technical Capacity / Project Approach (20%)
- Price (25%)
- The Effectiveness of the Management Plan (10%)

GPMTD is seeking the highest quality, most professional services available. While cost is certainly a very important factor in this personal service procurement; it will not be the sole basis on which proposals are evaluated. As such, the following criteria have been established by which all proposals will be evaluated:

F. Organizational Capabilities and the Resident Management Team (25%) - Professional personnel assigned to the operation of the services will be measured by experience and education, with particular reference to experience on similar projects as that described in the RFP.

G. Related Experiences and References (20%) - The Proposer shall submit a complete list of clients in the United States within the past three years that have awarded the Proposer contracts for similar services. The information shall describe the contract, including U.S. dollar value, number of vehicles, annual passenger trips, number of years the company has held the contract, and the current contract start date. Any situation in which claims for damages have or are being made against the Proposer, a contract has been canceled, or a claim has been made on a surety bond, must be clearly explained. A contact person's name and phone number from each procuring agency must be provided. Beyond product and service history, the structure of the corporation, availability of corporate support, and the financial viability of the firm will be considered. Additionally, GPMTD is seeking the ability of the Proposer to demonstrate a history of providing high quality customer service, as quality is a vital review component.

H. Technical Capacity (20%) – This criterion considers the Proposer’s compliance with and methodology for providing the minimum required scope of work services being proposed, to include how these services will be provided, and the Proposer’s ability to meet the needs of GPMTD’s for the desired services. This category will also consider the Proposer’s ability to meet or exceed the Scope of Work requirements and objectives provided. GPMTD welcomes suggestions or enhancements, to the requirements outlined in the RFP Scope of Work but the
suggestions, enhancements, and other services must meet minimum requirements as outlined in this RFP solicitation.

I. **Cost Proposal Price (25%)** - Price is an important determinant for award, but not the sole consideration. Price shall be evaluated on its overall relationship to the project. The company must demonstrate its financial capability, including financial resources to sustain operations. This can be done by providing audited financial statements.

J. **The Effectiveness of the Management Plan (10%)** – Please propose a five-year management plan that will support GPMTD’s growth into the future.

ALL COMPLETED CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES MUST BE CONTAINED IN THE PROPOSAL PACKET IN ORDER TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSAL EVALUATION CRITERIA.

Documentation is requested to support each proposal submitted. Proposers must submit all certificates, even if the information submitted isn't complete or if based on estimates. A range of costs or other estimated figures should be provided and noted as estimates or otherwise, if more precise figures are not available.

Unless a Proposer’s responsibility can be verified and documented, the Evaluation Committee may make a negative determination. There must be a positive judgment that the Proposer will perform the contract in the timeframe required and in complete compliance with its terms.

The Evaluation Committee will take measures to determine each Proposer’s technical performance capability under the terms of the proposed contract. Its efforts may include:

A. An evaluation of data on hand;

B. An evaluation of the data from other agencies; and

C. Any combination of the above.

GPMTD will not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation of the proposals. GPMTD shall be under no obligation to return any response to this RFP or other material submitted as a result of this RFP.

4-5 **Competitive Range**

The evaluation of proposals may result in reductions of the number of proposals that remain in a competitive range. The competitive range is determined through a preliminary evaluation of proposals, which applies the evaluation criteria as set forth above. The groups remaining in the competitive range may be invited to participate in additional evaluations, interviews, Best and Final Offers, or negotiations.

4-6 **Negotiations**

GPMTD may undertake concurrent negotiations with Proposers determined to be within a competitive range. GPMTD does, however, reserve the right to award a Contract based on the original proposal without any negotiations. The decision to award without negotiation may be
made by GPMTD if, in the opinion of GPMTD, preliminary evaluation of the proposals received indicates that the best achievable and technically acceptable proposal has been received.

Concurrent negotiations with all Proposers whose proposals are within the competitive range may be conducted by GPMTD. Negotiations may be entered with one (1) or more Proposers to finalize contract terms and conditions. In the event negotiations are not successful, GPMTD may initiate negotiations with another Proposer or other Proposers, or reject all proposals.

Negotiation of a Contract will be in conformance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, rules, and procedures. The objective of the negotiations will be to reach agreement on all provisions of the proposed Contract.

4-7 Contract Award

Contract award, if any, will be made by GPMTD to the properly licensed, responsible Proposer whose proposal best meets the requirements of the RFP, and will be the most advantageous to GPMTD with respect to operational plan, quality, and other factors as evaluated by GPMTD. GPMTD shall have no obligations until a Contract is signed between the Proposer and GPMTD.

Contract award will occur when GPMTD signs the Contract or issues a purchase order. No other act of GPMTD shall constitute Contract award. The Contract will establish the Contract value and incorporate the terms of this document; but will not be the authorization for Contractor to proceed.

4-8 Execution of Contract and Notice to Proceed

The Proposer to whom GPMTD intends to award the Contract shall sign the Contract and return it to GPMTD. Upon authorization by GPMTD’s Board of Trustees, or designee, the Contract will be countersigned. Upon receipt by GPMTD of any required documentation and submittals by the Proposer, a Notice to Proceed may be issued, if appropriate.

4-9 Public Disclosure of Proposals

GPMTD is subject to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. Therefore, the contents of this RFP and the Contractor’s proposal submitted in response to this RFP shall be considered public documents and are subject to the Illinois FOIA statutes. As such, all proposals submitted to GPMTD will be available for inspection and copying by the public after the selection process has been concluded. There are, however, various items that may be exempt under public disclosure laws. If any proprietary, privileged, or confidential information or data is included in the Contractor’s proposal, each page that contains this information or data should be marked as such (e.g., “Proprietary,” “Confidential,” “Business Secret,” or “Competition Sensitive”) in order to indicate your claims to an exemption provided in the Illinois FOIA. It is GPMTD’s sole right and responsibility, however, to make the determination whether these items are exempt or not exempt under the Illinois FOIA statutes.

All data, documentation and innovations developed as a result of these contractual services shall become the property of GPMTD.
SECTION 5 – STANDARD CONTRACTUAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

5-1 Administration

This Contract is between GPMTD and the Contractor who will be responsible for providing the goods and/or performing the services described herein. GPMTD is not party to defining the division of work between the Contractor and its Subcontractors, if any, and the Specifications and/or Scope of Services has not been written with this intent.

Contractor represents that it has or will obtain all duly licensed and qualified personnel and equipment required to perform hereunder. Contractor’s performance under this Contract may be monitored and reviewed by a Procurement Administrator appointed by GPMTD. Reports and data required to be provided by Contractor shall be delivered to the Procurement Administrator. Questions by Contractor regarding interpretation of the terms, provisions, and requirements of this Contract shall be addressed to the Procurement Administrator for response.

5-2 Notification of Delay

Contractor will notify GPMTD’s Procurement Administrator as soon as Contractor has, or should have, knowledge that an event has occurred which will delay delivery or start-up of services. Within five days, Contractor will confirm such notice in writing furnishing as many details as is available.

5-3 Request for Extension

Contractor agrees to supply, as soon as such data are available, any reasonable proofs that are required by GPMTD’s Procurement Administrator to make a decision of any request for extension. GPMTD’s Procurement Administrator will examine the request and any documents supplied by Contractor and will determine if Contractor is entitled to an extension and the duration of such extension. GPMTD’s Procurement Administrator will notify Contractor of the decision in writing. It is expressly understood and agreed that Contractor will not be entitled to damages or compensation, and will not be reimbursed for losses on account of delays resulting from any cause under this provision.

5-4 Contract Changes

Any proposed change in the contract will be submitted to GPMTD for its prior written approval and GPMTD will make the change by a Change Order if agreed upon by both parties in writing. Each written Change Order will expressly include any change in the Contract price or delivery schedule. No oral order or conduct by GPMTD will constitute a Change Order unless confirmed in writing by GPMTD.

5-5 Instructions by Unauthorized Third Persons

In accordance with subsection 5-4, Contract Changes, of the solicitation, GPMTD’s GM or his authorized representative are the only persons authorized to make changes within the general scope of the Contract.
Any instructions, written or oral, given to Contractor by someone other than GPMTD’s GM or his authorized representative, which are considered to be a change in the Contract, will not be considered as an authorized Contract change. Any action on the part of Contractor taken in compliance with such instructions will not be grounds for subsequent payment or other consideration in compliance with the unauthorized change.

5-6 Cost or Price Analysis

GPMTD reserves the right to conduct a cost or price analysis for any purchase. GPMTD may be required to perform a cost analysis when competition is lacking for any purchase. Sole source procurements which result in a single Bid being received will be subject to a cost analysis which will include the appropriate verification of cost data, the evaluation of specific elements of costs and the projection of data to determine the effect on Bid prices. GPMTD may require a Pre-Award Audit and potential Contractors shall be prepared to submit data relevant to the proposed work which will allow GPMTD to sufficiently determine that the proposed price is fair, reasonable, and in accordance with Federal, State and local regulations. Procurements resulting in a single Bid will be treated as a negotiated procurement and GPMTD reserves the right to negotiate with the single Proposer to achieve a fair and reasonable price. If a negotiated price cannot be agreed upon by both parties, GPMTD reserves the right to reject the single Bid. Contract change orders or modifications will be subject to a cost analysis.

5-7 Lack of Funds

If expected or actual funding is withdrawn, reduced, or limited in any way prior to the expiration date set forth in this Contract or in any amendment hereto, GPMTD may, upon written notice to Contractor, terminate this Contract in whole or in part. Such termination shall be in accordance with GPMTD’s rights to terminate for convenience or default.

5-8 Force Majeure

The timely receipt of GPMTD's requirements is essential. If the requirements are not received on time in accordance with the delivery schedule, GPMTD may cancel the unfilled portion of the contract for cause, purchase substitute requirements elsewhere, and recover from Contractor any increased costs, thereby incurred together with all resulting incidental and consequential damages. GPMTD may also terminate for cause, purchase substitute requirements elsewhere and recover costs and damages for breach of Contractor obligations.

The Contractor shall be entitled to a reasonable extension of time from GPMTD for the delays caused by damage to Contractor's and/or GPMTD's property caused by fire, lightning, earthquakes, tornadoes, and other extreme weather conditions or acts of nature, power failures, riots, acts of civil or military authorities of competent jurisdiction, strikes, lockouts, and any other industrial, civil or public disturbances beyond the control of the Contractor and its subcontractors causing the inability to perform the requirements of this Contract. Any delay other than ones mentioned above shall constitute a breach of Contractor's contractual obligations.
5-9 **Taxes, Licenses, Laws, and Certificate Requirements**

Contractor shall maintain and be liable for all taxes, fees, licenses, and costs as may be required by federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations for the conduct of business by Contractor and any subcontractors and shall secure and at all times maintain any and all such valid licenses and permits as may be required to provide the services or supplies under this Contract. If for any reason, Contractor’s required licenses or certificates are terminated, suspended, revoked, lapsed, or in any manner modified from their status at the time this Contract becomes effective, Contractor shall immediately notify GPMTD in writing of such condition.

Contractor will give all notices and comply with all federal, state, local and GPMTD laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, standards, and orders of any public authority bearing on the performance of the Contract, including, but not limited to, the laws referred to in these General Provisions of the Contract and the other Contract Documents. If the Contract Documents are at variance therewith in any respect, any necessary changes shall be adjusted by appropriate modification. Omission of any applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, standards or orders by GPMTD in the Contract Documents shall be construed as an oversight and shall not relieve the Contractor from his obligations to meet such fully and completely. Upon request, Contractor shall furnish to GPMTD certificates of compliance with all such laws, orders and regulations. Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining all necessary permits and licenses required for performance under the Contract.

Applicable provisions of all federal, state, and local laws, and of all ordinances, rules, and regulations shall govern any and all claims and disputes which may arise between person(s) submitting a Bid response hereto and GPMTD, by and through its officers, employees and authorized representatives, or any other persons, natural and otherwise, and lack of knowledge by any Contractor shall not constitute a cognizable defense against the legal effect thereof.

5-10 **Defective Work, Materials or Services**

When and as often as GPMTD determines that the work, materials, or services furnished under the Contract are not fully and completely in accordance with any requirement of the Contract, it may give notice and description of such non-compliance to Contractor. Within seven (7) calendar days of receiving such written notification, Contractor must supply GPMTD with a written detailed plan which indicates the time and methods needed to bring the work, materials, or services within acceptable limits of the Contract. GPMTD may reject or accept this plan at its discretion. In the event this plan is rejected, the work, materials, or services will be deemed not accepted and returned to Contractor at Contractor's expense. This procedure to remedy defects is not intended to limit or preclude any other remedies available to GPMTD by law, including those available under the Uniform Commercial Code.

5-11 **Assignment**

Contractor shall not assign any interest, obligation, or benefit under or in this Contract or transfer any interest in the same, whether by assignment or notation, without the prior written consent of GPMTD. If an assignment is approved, this Contract shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the successors of Contractor. This provision shall not prevent Contractor from pledging any proceeds from this Contract as security to a lender. An assignment may be conditioned upon the posting of bonds, securities and the like by the assignee and the assignee must assume the written Contract and be responsible for the obligations and liabilities of Contractor, known and unknown, under this Contract and applicable law.
GPMTD may assign its rights and obligations under the Contract to any successor to the rights and functions of GPMTD or to any governmental agency to the extent required by applicable laws or governmental regulations, or to the extent GPMTD deems necessary or advisable under the circumstances.

5-12 Indemnification and Hold Harmless

To the maximum extent permitted by law, and except to the extent caused by the sole negligence of GPMTD, and except to the extent caused by decisions, omissions or actions made in good faith, with the care that an ordinarily prudent person in a like position would exercise under similar circumstances, and in a manner which is believed to be in the best interests of GPMTD, Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless GPMTD, their appointed officials, officers, officials, agents, and employees, from and against any and all claims, suits, actions, losses, costs, penalties, and damages of any kind or nature whatsoever arising out of, in connection with, or incident to the services provided by or on behalf of Contractor, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney fees, expert expenses and costs of litigation. In addition, Contractor shall, at GPMTD’s option, assume the defense of GPMTD and its officers and employees in all legal or claim proceedings arising out of, in connection with, or incident to such indemnified services, and shall pay all defense expenses, including reasonable attorney’s fees, expert fees, and costs incurred by GPMTD on account of such litigation or claims. This indemnification obligation shall include, but is not limited to, all claims against GPMTD by an employee or former employee of Contractor or its subcontractors, and Contractor, by mutual negotiation, expressly waives all immunity and limitation on liability, as respects GPMTD only, under any industrial insurance act, other than the Worker’s Compensation Act, the Disability Benefit Act, or other employee benefit act of any jurisdiction, which would otherwise be applicable in the case of such claim. This indemnification obligation shall also obligate Contractor to protect, indemnify, defend, and save harmless GPMTD, their appointed officials, officers, officials, agents, and employees from any and all claims or lawsuits alleging a violation of a third party’s copyright or patent rights arising out of, or in connection with, Contractor’s provision of services under this Contract. Notwithstanding anything provided in this Subsection, GPMTD retains the right to provide its own defense against any suits, claims, or actions, and to assess any costs of such defense to Contractor, including reasonable attorney’s fees, expert witness fees, and court costs.

5-13 Applicable Law and Forum

All work done pursuant to any contract resulting from this RFP will be governed by and construed according to the regulations of the Federal Transit Administration and the laws of the State of Illinois. Further, the successful Proposer shall abide by all federal, state, and local laws, codes, and ordinances governing any area(s) in which a service is rendered and shall have all required permits, licenses, agreements, tariffs, bonding, and insurance required by same. No claims for additional payment shall be approved for changes required to comply with any such requirements. Any actions arising here from shall be filed in the County of Peoria, Illinois and the Federal Transit Administration if applicable.

5-14 Attorney Fees

In the event either party shall engage the services of an attorney or other professional due to the default of the other party, the defaulting (non-prevailing) party shall pay all legal costs and fees, including attorney’s fees, incurred by the non-defaulting (prevailing) party in enforcing its rights.
5-15  State Officials and Employees Ethics Act

Greater Peoria Mass Transit District has adopted a policy to adopt the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. These policies shall apply to GPMTD employees involved in procurement. It is a breach of ethical standards for any GPMTD employee to participate directly or indirectly in a procurement when the employee knows:

- The employee, or any member of the employee’s immediate family, has a financial interest pertaining to the procurement;
- A business or organization in which the employee, or any member of the employee’s immediate family, has a financial interest pertaining to the procurement; or
- Any other person, business or organization with whom the employee or any member of employee’s immediate family is negotiating or has an arrangement concerning prospective employment is involved in the procurement. In addition, any persons acting as members of an evaluation committee for any procurement shall, for the purposes of the procurement, be bound by conditions of this Section. Throughout the bid/proposal evaluation process and subsequent contract negotiations, offerors shall not discuss or seek specific information about this procurement, including but not limited to, the contents of submissions, the evaluation process or the contract negotiations, with members of any evaluation committee, the Board of Trustees, or other Greater Peoria Mass Transit District employees other than the designated procurement officer.

5-16  Conflicts of Interest and Non-Competitive Practices

A.  Conflict of Interest – Contractor by entering into this Contract with GPMTD to perform or provide work, services, or materials, has thereby covenanted that it has no direct or indirect pecuniary or proprietary interest, and that it shall not acquire any interest, which conflicts in any manner or degree with the work, services, or materials required to be performed and/or provided under this Contract and that it shall not employ any person or agent having any such interest. In the event that Contractor or its agents, employees or representatives hereafter acquires such a conflict of interest, is shall immediately disclose such interest to GPMTD and take action immediately to eliminate the conflict or to withdraw from this Contract, as GPMTD may require.

B.  Contingent Fees and Gratuities – Contractor, by entering into this Contract with GPMTD to perform or provide work, services, or materials, has thereby covenanted:

1.  No person or selling agency except bona fide employees or designated agents or representatives of Contractor has been or will be employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract with an agreement or understanding that a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee would be paid; and

2.  No gratuities, in the form of entertainment, gifts, or otherwise, were offered or given by Contractor or any of its agents, employees, or representatives, to any official, member or employee of GPMTD or other governmental agency with a view toward securing this Contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the awarding or amending, or the making of any determination with respect to the performance of this Contract.
5-17 Conflicts of Interest – Current and Former Employees

GPMTD seeks to eliminate and avoid actual or perceived conflicts of interest and unethical conduct by current and former GPMTD employees in transactions with GPMTD. Consistent with this policy, no current or former GPMTD employee may contract with, influence, advocate, advise, or consult with a third party about a GPMTD transaction, or assist with the preparation of Bids submitted to GPMTD while employed by GPMTD or within one (1) year after leaving GPMTD’s employment, if he/she participated in determining the work to be done or process to be followed while a GPMTD employee.

Furthermore, no member, officer, or employee of GPMTD during their tenure or for two (2) years thereafter will have any financial interests, direct or indirect, in this Contract or the proceeds thereof.

5-18 Other Public Agency Orders

Other federal, state, county, and local entities may utilize the terms and conditions established by this Contract. GPMTD does not accept any responsibility or involvement in the purchase orders or contracts issued by other agencies.

5-19 Severability

Whenever possible, each provision of this Contract shall be interpreted to be effective and valid under applicable law. If any provision is found to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, then such provision or portion thereof shall be modified to the extent necessary to render it legal, valid, and enforceable and have the intent and economic effect as close as possible to the invalid, illegal, and unenforceable provision.

5-20 Non-waiver of Breach

No action or failure to act by GPMTD shall constitute a waiver of any right or duty afforded to GPMTD under the Contract; nor shall any such action or failure to act by GPMTD constitute an approval of, or acquiescence in, any breach hereunder, except as may be specifically stated by GPMTD in writing.

5-21 Use of GPMTD’s Name in Contractor Advertising or Public Relations

GPMTD reserves the right to review and approve all GPMTD-related copy prior to publication. Contractor will not allow GPMTD-related copy to be published in Contractor's advertisements or public relations programs until submitting GPMTD-related copy and receiving prior written approval from GPMTD's General Manager. Contractor will agree that published information on GPMTD or its program will be factual, and in no way imply that GPMTD endorses Contractor's firm, service, or product.
SECTION 6 – SPECIFIC CONTRACTUAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

6-1 Contract

A Contract shall be issued referencing this solicitation. Contract shall define and authorize the work by Contractor based on the negotiated fees agreed to by GPMTD. The Contract(s) issued by GPMTD may reflect agreed to modification of Contract terms, funding, or other matters subject to subsection 5-4, Contract Changes.

6-2 Contract Documents and Precedence

The documents constituting the Contract between GPMTD and Contractor are intended to be complementary so that what is required by any one of them shall be as binding as if called for by all of them. In the event of any conflicting provisions or requirements within the several parts of the Contract Documents, the following order of precedence shall be applied:

1) Any required federal, state or local regulations that may not be altered by GPMTD;

2) Contract;

3) Contract amendments;

4) Results of negotiations;

5) Solicitation and all issued addenda and approved equals;

6) Any optional federal regulations elected by GPMTD as expressly set forth herein;

7) Clarifications of and amendments to Contractor’s proposal as accepted by GPMTD; and

8) Contractor’s proposal and Attachments, and all clarifications and amendments issued prior to contract award.

6-3 Contract Term

The term of the Contract shall be effective with the issuance of the Notice to Proceed. The Contract Term is defined in Section 2, Scope of Work.

6-4 Payment Procedures

Payments for services rendered and expenses incurred shall be made after presentation of Contractor’s proper invoices. Such invoices shall be computed in accordance with the fee schedule agreed to by GPMTD and Contractor, and incorporated into the final contract, and are due and payable within thirty (30) days of receipt of a correct invoice as agreed upon by GPMTD. The monthly amount payable is based on the annual management fee payable. Contractor also agrees to supply, with each invoice, additional information as may be requested by GPMTD.
GPMTD may, at any time, conduct an audit of any and/or all records kept by the Contractor for this project. Any overpayment uncovered in such an audit may be charged against the Contractor’s future invoices. GPMTD may withhold payment for services it believes were improper, failed to meet with project specifications, or are otherwise questionable.

Invoices should be submitted to:

Greater Peoria Mass Transit District
Accounts Payable
2105 NE Jefferson Street
Peoria, IL 61603

Or electronically to:

accounts-payable@ridecitylink.org

6-5 Advance Payment Prohibited

No advance payment shall be made for the work furnished by Contractor pursuant to this Contract.

6-6 Prompt Payment to Subcontractors

The Contractor is required to pay each first tier Subcontractor for all work that the Subcontractor has performed to the satisfaction of the GPMTD, no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the Contractor has received payment from the District for that work, and each tier of Subcontractors must likewise pay the next lower tier of Subcontractors within thirty (30) calendar days after receiving payment. If this Contract provides for retainage, the Contractor must remit to each first-tier Subcontractor its share of any retainage within thirty (30) days after receipt of such retainage from District, and each tier of Subcontractors must likewise remit retainage to the next lower tier of Subcontractors within thirty (30) calendar days after receiving payment. If this Contract does not provide for retainage, then neither Contractor nor any Subcontractor may withhold retainage from a Subcontractor. The requirements of this paragraph must be stated in all of the Contractor's subcontracts.

A delay in or postponement of payment to a Subcontractor requires good cause and prior written approval by GPMTD’s General Manager or his/her designee. The Contractor is required to include, in each subcontract, a clause requiring the use of appropriate arbitration mechanisms to resolve all payment disputes.

The District will not pay the Contractor for work performed unless and until the Contractor ensures that each Subcontractor has been promptly paid under all previous payment requests, as evidenced by the filing with District of lien waivers (if applicable), canceled checks (if requested), and the Contractor's sworn statement that it has complied with the prompt payment requirements. The Contractor must submit a prompt payment affidavit, (form to be provided by the District) which identifies each Subcontractor and the date and amount of the last payment to such Subcontractor, with every payment request filed with District, except for the first payment request.

Failure to comply with these prompt payment requirements is a breach of the Contract which may lead to any remedies permitted under law, including, but not limited to, Contractor debarment. In addition, Contractor's failure to promptly pay its Subcontractors is subject to the provisions of 50 ILCS 505/9.
6-7  Express Warranties for Services

Contractor warrants that the services shall in all material respects conform to the requirements of this Contract. Contractor warrants that qualified professional personnel with in-depth knowledge shall perform the services in a timely and professional manner; and that the services shall conform to the standards generally observed in the industry for similar services. Contractor warrants that the services shall be in compliance with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

6-8  Independent Status of Contractor

In the performance of this Contract, the parties shall be acting in their individual, corporate, or governmental capacities and not as agents, employees, partners, joint ventures, or associates of one another. The parties intend that an independent contractor relationship shall be created by this Contract. The employees or agents of one party shall not be deemed or construed to be the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever. Contractor shall not make any claim or right, privilege or benefit, which would accrue to an employee.

6-9  Notices

Any notice which is required to be given hereunder shall be deemed sufficiently given or rendered if such notice is in writing and is delivered personally or sent by certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or by a national overnight courier service to the following addresses:

Greater Peoria Mass Transit District  
Board Chair  
2105 NE Jefferson Avenue  
Peoria, IL 61603-3535

Any notice given hereunder by personal delivery or express mail shall be deemed delivered when received. Any properly addressed notice given herein by certified mail shall be deemed delivered when the return receipt therefore is signed, or refusal to accept the mailing by the addressee is noted thereon by the postal authorities. Either party may, at any time, change its address for the above purposes by sending a notice to the other party stating the change and setting forth the new address.

6-10  Non-Disclosure of Data

Data provided by GPMDT either before or after Contract award shall only be used for its intended purpose. Proposers, vendors, Contractors, and subcontractors shall not utilize or distribute the GPMDT data in any form without the prior express written approval of GPMDT.

6-11  Non-Disclosure Obligation

While providing the work required under this Contract, Contractor might encounter licensed technology, software, documentation, drawings, schematics, manuals, data, or other materials marked “Confidential,” “Proprietary,” or “Business Secret.” Contractor shall, with regard to such information and material received or used in performance of this Contract, employ practices no less that those used for the protection of Contractor’s own confidential information.

The Contract imposes no obligation upon Contractor with respect to confidential information which Contractor can establish that: a) was in the possession of, or was rightfully known by Contractor without an obligation to maintain its confidentiality prior to receipt from GPMDT or a third party;
b) is or becomes generally known to the public without violation of this Contract; c) is obtained by Contractor in good faith from a third party having the right to disclose it without an obligation of confidentiality; or, d) is independently developed by Contractor without the participation of individuals who have had access to GPMTD’s or the third party’s confidential information. Contractor may disclose confidential information if so required by law, provided that Contractor notifies GPMTD that the third party of such requirement prior to disclosure.

6-12 Public Disclosure Requests

Contracts shall be considered public documents and, with exceptions provided under public disclosure laws, will be available for inspection and copying by the public.

If a Contractor considers any portion of any documents which may be delivered to GPMTD pursuant to this Contract to be protected under the law, Contractor shall clearly identify each such item with words such as “Confidential,” “Proprietary,” or “Business Secret.” If a request is made for disclosure of any such document, GPMTD will determine whether the document should be made available under the law. If the document or parts thereof are determined by GPMTD to be exempt from public disclosure, GPMTD will not release the exempted document. If the document is not exempt from public disclosure law, GPMTD will notify Contractor of the request and allow Contractor five (5) days to take whatever action it deems necessary to protect its interests. If Contractor fails or neglects to take such action within said period, GPMTD will release the document deemed subject to disclosure. By signing a Contract, Contractor assents to the procedure outlined in this paragraph and shall have no claim against GPMTD on account of actions taken under such procedure.

6-13 Ownership of Data

Subject to the rights granted Contractor pursuant to this Agreement, all right, title and interest in and to the data collected and developed during the performance of this contract shall at all times remain the sole and exclusive property of GPMTD. Contractor shall surrender all such data to GPMTD prior to submitting an invoice for final payment.

6-14 Counterparts

This Contract may be signed in two (2) counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and which shall together constitute one (1) Contract.

6-15 Contractual Relationships

No contractual relationship will be recognized under the Contract other than the contractual relationship between GPMTD and Contractor.
SECTION 7 - STATE OF ILLINOIS CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

7-1 Interest of Members of in Congress

No member of or delegate to the Illinois General Assembly shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit arising therefrom.

7-2 Prohibited Interests

No member, or officer, or employee of the GPMTD or a local public body with financial interest or control in this contract during his tenure or for one year thereafter shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in this contract or the proceeds thereof.

7-3 Contract Changes

Any proposed change in this contract shall be submitted to the GPMTD for its prior approval.

7-4 Escalation

The Department does not allow escalation clauses as part of specifications or contracts, with the following exceptions, subject to prior concurrence for each contract:

- Procurement for rail vehicles, where the contract price exceeds one year; and
- Procurements of metal product from a mill or manufacturer where quotations based on “price at time of shipment” have historically been used.

7-5 Equal Employment Opportunity

The Contractor will be required to comply with all applicable Equal Employment Opportunity laws and regulations.

In the event of the Contractor's non-compliance with the provisions of this Equal Employment Opportunity Clause, the Illinois Human Rights Act and Regulations of the Illinois Department of Human Rights (“Department”), the Contractor may be declared ineligible for future contracts or subcontracts with the State of Illinois or any of its political subdivisions or municipal corporations, and the Contract may be cancelled or voided in whole or in part, and such other sanctions or penalties may be imposed or remedies invoked as provided by statute or regulation. During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

1. That it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, age, physical or mental handicap unrelated to ability, or an unfavorable discharge from the military service; and further that it will examine all job classifications to determine if minority persons or women are underutilized and will take appropriate affirmative action to rectify such underutilization.

2. That, if it hires additional employees in order to perform this Contract or any portion thereof, it will determine the availability (in accordance with the Department's Rules and Regulations) of minorities and women in the area(s) from which it may reasonably recruit and it will hire for each job classification for which employees are hired in such a way that minorities and women are not underutilized.
3. That, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by it or on its behalf, it will state that all applicants will be afforded equal opportunity without discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin or ancestry, age, physical or mental handicap unrelated to ability, or an unfavorable discharge from military service.

4. That it will send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which it has or is bound by a collective bargaining or other agreement or understanding, a notice advising such labor organizations or representative of the Contractor's obligations under the Illinois Human Rights Act and the Department's Rules and Regulations. If any such labor organization or representative fails or refuses to cooperate with the Contractor in its efforts to comply with such Act and Rules and Regulations, the Contractor will promptly notify the Department and the contracting agency and will recruit employees from other sources when necessary to fulfill its obligations thereunder.

5. That it will submit reports as required by the Department's Rules and Regulations, furnish all relevant information as may from time to time be requested by the Department or the contracting agency, and in all respects comply with the Illinois Human Rights Act and the Department's Rules and Regulations.

6. That it will permit access to all relevant books, records, accounts and work sites by personnel of the contracting agency and the Department for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with the Illinois Human Rights Act and the Department's Rules and Regulations.

7. That it will include, verbatim or by reference, the provisions of this ITEM in every subcontract it awards under which any portion of the Contract obligations are undertaken or assumed, so that such provisions will be binding upon such subcontractor. In the same manner as with other provisions of this Contract, the Contractor will be liable for compliance with applicable provisions of this clause by such subcontractors; and further it will promptly notify the contracting agency and the Department in the event the subcontractor fails or refuses to comply therewith. In addition, the Contractor will not utilize any subcontractor declared by the Illinois Human Rights Commission to be ineligible for contracts or subcontracts with the State of Illinois or any of its political subdivisions or municipal corporations.

7-6 Financial Assistance

This contract is subject to financial assistance contracts between the GPMTD and the United States Department of Transportation. The contractor is required to disclose to GPMTD any requested information by FTA or IDOT related to contractor salaries and benefits cost for resident employees or other expenses for the funding agency to determine the reasonableness of the contract price.
SECTION 8 - FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) REQUIREMENTS

8-1 No Obligation by the Federal Government

1. The Purchaser 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 Purchaser, Contractor, or any other party (whether or not a party to that contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the underlying contract.

2. 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 clause shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to its provisions.

8-2 Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts

1. 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.

2. 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. § 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5307(n)(1) on the Contractor, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

3. 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.

8-3 Access to Records and Reports

The following access to records requirements apply to this Contract:

8. Where the Purchaser is not a State but a local government and is the FTA Recipient or a subgrantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 C. F. R. 18.36(i), the Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions. Contractor also agrees, pursuant to
49 C. F. R. 633.17 to provide the FTA Administrator or his authorized representatives including any PMO Contractor access to Contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a major capital project, defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1, which is receiving federal financial assistance through the programs described at 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5309 or 5311.

9. Where the Purchaser is a State and is the FTA Recipient or a sub-grantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 633.17, Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator or his authorized representatives, including any PMO Contractor, access to the Contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a major capital project, defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1, which is receiving federal financial assistance through the programs described at 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5309 or 5311. By definition, a major capital project excludes contracts of less than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at $100,000.

10. Where the Purchaser enters into a negotiated contract for other than a small purchase or under the simplified acquisition threshold and is an institution of higher education, a hospital or other non-profit organization and is the FTA Recipient or a sub-grantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 19.48, Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their duly authorized representatives with access to any books, documents, papers and record of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions.

11. Where any Purchaser which is the FTA Recipient or a sub-grantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 5325(a) enters into a contract for a capital project or improvement (defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1) through other than competitive bidding, the Contractor shall make available records related to the contract to the Purchaser, the Secretary of Transportation and the Comptroller General or any authorized officer or employee of any of them for the purposes of conducting an audit and inspection.

12. The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

13. The Contractor agrees to maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this contract for a period of not less than three 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 Contractor agrees to maintain same until the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General, or any of their duly authorized representatives, have disposed of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto. Reference 49 CFR 18.39(i)(11).

14. FTA does not require the inclusion of these requirements in subcontracts.

8-4 Changes to Federal Requirements

Federal Changes - Contractor shall at all times comply with all applicable FTA regulations, policies, procedures and directives, including without limitation those listed directly or by reference in the Master Agreement between Purchaser and FTA, as they may be amended or promulgated from time to time during the term of this contract. Contractor's failure to so comply shall constitute a material breach of this contract.
8-5 Termination

a. **Termination for Convenience (General Provision)** The GPMTD may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, at any time by written notice to the Contractor when it is in the Government's best interest. The Contractor shall be paid for the work it has completed consistent with its contract requirements. No contract close-out costs and lost profits shall be paid to the Contractor. Termination will be effected by written notice at least ten (10) days prior to termination date. If the Contractor has any property in its possession belonging to the GPMTD, the Contractor will account for the same, and dispose of it in the manner the GPMTD directs.

b. **Termination for Default [Breach or Cause]** 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 GPMTD 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 only be paid 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 GPMTD 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 GPMTD, 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.

c. **Opportunity to Cure** The GPMTD in its sole discretion may, in the case of a termination for breach or default, allow the Contractor 10 business 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

If Contractor fails to remedy to GPMTD'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 GPMTD setting forth the nature of said breach or default, GPMTD 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 GPMTD from also pursuing all available remedies against Contractor and its sureties for said breach or default.

d. **Waiver of Remedies for any Breach** In the event that GPMTD elects to waive its remedies for any breach by Contractor of any covenant, term or condition of this Contract, such waiver by GPMTD shall not limit GPMTD's remedies for any succeeding breach of that or of any other term, covenant, or condition of this Contract.

e. **Termination for Convenience of Default (Cost-Type Contracts)** The GPMTD may terminate this contract, or any portion of it, by serving a notice or termination on the Contractor. The notice shall state whether the termination is for convenience of the GPMTD or for the default of the Contractor. If the termination is for default, the notice shall state the manner in which the contractor has failed to perform the requirements of the contract. The Contractor shall account for any property in its possession paid for from funds received from the GPMTD, or property supplied to the Contractor by the GPMTD. If the termination is for default, the GPMTD may fix the fee, if the contract provides for a fee, to be paid the contractor in proportion to the value, if any, of work performed up to the time of termination. The Contractor shall promptly submit its termination claim to the GPMTD and the parties shall negotiate the termination settlement to be paid the Contractor.
If the termination is for the convenience of the GPMTD, the Contractor shall be paid as provided for in Section 8-5 (a).

8-6 Civil Rights Requirements

The following requirements apply to the underlying contract:

1. Nondiscrimination - In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d, section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6102, section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. § 12132, and 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, creed, national origin, sex, age, or disability. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.

2. Equal Employment Opportunity - The following equal employment opportunity requirements apply to the underlying contract:
   a. Race, Color, Creed, National Origin, Sex - In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, and Federal transit laws at 49 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. Parts 60 et seq., (which implement Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note), and with any applicable Federal statutes, executive orders, regulations, and Federal policies that may in the future affect construction activities undertaken in the course of the Project. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, 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.
   b. Age - In accordance with section 4 of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § § 623 and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for reason of age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.
   c. Disabilities - In accordance with section 102 of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12112, the Contractor agrees that it will comply with the requirements of U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 C.F.R. Part 1630, pertaining to employment of persons with disabilities. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.
3. The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA, modified only if necessary to identify the affected parties.

8-7 Incorporation of FTA Terms

Incorporation of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Terms - The preceding provisions include, in part, certain Standard Terms and Conditions required by DOT, whether or not expressly set forth in the preceding contract provisions. All contractual provisions required by DOT, as set forth in FTA Circular 4220.1E are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this Agreement. The Contractor shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any (name of grantee) requests which would cause (name of grantee) to be in violation of the FTA terms and conditions.

8-8 Suspension and Debarment

This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 49 CFR Part 29. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals, as defined at 49 CFR 29.995, or affiliates, as defined at 49 CFR 29.905, are excluded or disqualified as defined at 49 CFR 29.940 and 29.945.

The contractor is required to comply with 49 CFR 29, Subpart C and must include the requirement to comply with 49 CFR 29, Subpart C in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.

8-9 Disputes, Breaches, Defaults, or Other Litigation

Disputes arising in the performance of this Contract which are not resolved by agreement of the parties shall be decided in writing by the authorized representative of GPMTD’s Board of Trustees. This decision shall be final and conclusive unless within five (5) days from the date of receipt of its copy, the Contractor mails or otherwise furnishes a written appeal to the GPMTD Board Chair. In connection with any such appeal, the Contractor shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard and to offer evidence in support of its position. The decision of the GPMTD Board Chair shall be binding upon the Contractor and the Contractor shall abide by the decision.

Performance During Dispute - Unless otherwise directed by GPMTD, Contractor shall continue performance under this Contract while matters in dispute are being resolved.

Claims for Damages - Should either party to the Contract suffer injury or damage to person or property because of any act or omission of the party or of any of his employees, agents or others for whose acts he is legally liable, a claim for damages therefor shall be made in writing to such other party within a reasonable time after the first observance of such injury of damage.

Remedies - Unless this contract provides otherwise, all claims, counterclaims, disputes and other matters in question between the GPMTD and the Contractor arising out of or relating to this agreement or its breach will be decided by arbitration if the parties mutually agree, or in a court of competent jurisdiction within the State in which the GPMTD is located.

Rights and Remedies - The duties and obligations imposed by the Contract Documents and the rights and remedies available thereunder shall be in addition to and not a limitation of any duties,
obligations, rights and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law. No action or failure to act by the GPMTD or the Contractor shall constitute a waiver of any right or duty afforded any of them under the Contract, nor shall any such action or failure to act constitute an approval of or acquiescence in any breach thereunder, except as may be specifically agreed in writing.

8-10 Disclosure of Lobbying Activities


8-11 Clean Air

The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 et seq. The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the Purchaser and understands and agrees that the Purchaser will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office.

The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding $100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

8-12 Clean Water

The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq. The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the Purchaser and understands and agrees that the Purchaser will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office.

The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding $100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

8-13 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.

8-14 Fly America

The Contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 40118 (the "Fly America" Act) in accordance with the General Services Administration's regulations at 41 CFR Part 301-10, which provide that recipients and sub-recipients of Federal funds and their contractors are required to use U.S. Flag
air carriers for U.S Government-financed international air travel and transportation of their personal effects or property, to the extent such service is available, unless travel by foreign air carrier is a matter of necessity, as defined by the Fly America Act. The Contractor shall submit, if a foreign air carrier was used, an appropriate certification or memorandum adequately explaining why service by a U.S. flag air carrier was not available or why it was necessary to use a foreign air carrier and shall, in any event, provide a certificate of compliance with the Fly America requirements. The Contractor agrees to include the requirements of this section in all subcontracts that may involve international air transportation.

8-15 Access Requirements for Persons with Disabilities

The Recipient agrees to comply with the provisions of 49 U.S.C. § 5301(d), which sets forth the Federal policy that elderly persons and persons with disabilities have the same right as other persons to use transit service and facilities, and that special efforts shall be made in planning and designing those services and facilities to implement transportation accessibility rights for elderly persons and persons with disabilities. The Recipient also agrees to comply with all applicable requirements of the following Federal laws and any subsequent amendments thereto: section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 794, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap; the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq., which requires accessible facilities and services to be made available to persons with disabilities; and the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4151 et seq., which requires that buildings and public accommodations be accessible to persons with disabilities.
ATTACHMENT A – Vendor Checklist

(Verification that all necessary documents are included)

This form must be completed and returned with the technical proposal. Failure to return this form may be cause for considering your proposal non-responsive.

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ATTACHMENT B – Proposal Affidavit

The undersigned hereby declares that he/she has carefully read and examined the Advertisement, the Scope and Terms, the Specifications, Warranty, and Quality Assurance Requirements, with all supporting certificates and affidavits, for the provision of services specified.

Signed: 

Title: 

Company Name: 

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of __________, 20____

Notary Public: 

My Commission Expires: 
The undersigned acknowledges receipt of the following addenda to this RFP. (Include the number and date for each entry.)

Addendum Number _____  Dated ________________
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Failure to acknowledge the receipt of all addenda may cause the proposal to be considered non-responsive to this Request for Proposals, which will require rejection of the proposal.

________________________________________
Signature

________________________________________
Title
ATTACHMENT D - Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension

This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 49 CFR Part 29. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals, as defined at 49 CFR 29.995, or affiliates, as defined at 49 CFR 29.905, are excluded or disqualified as defined at 49 CFR 29.940 and 29.945.

The contractor is required to comply with 49 CFR 29, Subpart C and must include the requirement to comply with 49 CFR 29, Subpart C in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.

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 GPMTD. If it is later determined that the bidder or proposer knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to remedies available to the GPMTD, 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 49 CFR 29, Subpart C 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.

Authorized Official: _______________________________________________________________

Signature: _______________________________________________________________________

Date: _______________________  ______________________________________________________

Where the Contractor is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such Contractor shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

The Contractor, _____________________________________________, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of the contents of the statement submitted on or with this certification and understands that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. Sections 3801 ET Seq. are applicable thereto.

Authorized Official: _______________________________________________________________

Signature: _______________________________________________________________________

Date: _______________________  ______________________________________________________
ATTACHMENT E – Affidavit of Non-Collusion

I hereby swear (or affirm) under the penalty for perjury:

1. That I am the proposer (if the proposer is an individual), a partner in the proposal (if the proposer is a partnership), or an officer or employee of the proposing corporation having authority to sign on its behalf (if the proposer is a corporation);

2. That the attached proposal has been arrived at by the proposer independently and have been submitted without collusion and without any agreement, understanding, or planned common course of action with any other vendor or materials, supplies, equipment, or service described in the Request for Proposals, designed to limit independent proposals or competition;

3. That the contents of this bid proposal has not been communicated by the proposer or its employees or agents to any person not an employee or agent of the proposer or its surety on any bond furnished with the proposal, and will not be communicated to any such person prior to the official opening of the proposal; and

4. That I have fully informed myself regarding the accuracy of the statements made in the affidavit.

Signed: _________________________________________

Company Name: ______________________________________

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _______ day of ___________________, 20______

Notary Public: ____________________________

My Commission expires ______________________, 20_______

Proposer's Federal Employer Identification Number: _______________________________
(Number used on Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return)
ATTACHMENT F – Certifications of Compliance with Federal Lobbying Regulations

The undersigned certifies to the best of his/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 any 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 sub-recipients 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.

By: ____________________________________________  __________________________
    Signature of Company Official                      Date

________________________________________________
    Official's Title

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ATTACHMENT G – Prompt Payment Affidavit

Complete either (A) or (B), as applicable

(A) The undersigned affirms, to the best of his/her knowledge and belief, that:

1. The undersigned understands and agrees that the Contractor is required to pay all Subcontractors for all work that any Subcontractor has satisfactorily completed no later than thirty (30) days after the Contractor has received payment from the District for that work.

2. The undersigned understands and agrees that the Contractor is required to pay retainage amounts, if any, to a Subcontractor no later than thirty (30) days after the GPMTD has released retainage to the Contractor for that portion of the work.

3. The undersigned understands and agrees that any delay in or postponement of payment to any Subcontractor by the Contractor requires the Contractor to demonstrate good cause and to receive prior written approval by GPMTD’s General Manager or his/her designee.

4. The undersigned understands and agrees that the GPMTD will not pay the Contractor for Services performed or Deliverables submitted unless and until the Contractor certifies that the Subcontractors have been promptly paid for the work or services they have performed under all previous payment requests, as evidenced by the filing with the GPMTD the Contractor's sworn statement that the Contractor has complied with the prompt payment requirements.

The undersigned solemnly declares and affirms under penalty of perjury that the above and foregoing are true and correct, and that he/she is authorized on behalf of the Contractor to sign this affidavit.

__________________________________  __________________________________
Signature Company Name

__________________________________  __________________________________
Official’s Name and Title Date

(B) The undersigned solemnly declares and affirms under penalty of perjury that no Subcontractors will be used in the performance of the work or services and, as such, the statutory prompt payment requirements are inapplicable. The undersigned further declares that he/she is authorized on behalf of the Contractor to sign this affidavit.

__________________________________  __________________________________
Signature Company Name

__________________________________  __________________________________
Official’s Name and Title Date
ATTACHMENT H – Price Proposal Form

The undersigned hereby declares that he/she has carefully read and examined the Public Notice, the Request for Proposal, terms, and requirements, with all supporting certificates and affidavits, for services noted herein, and that he/she will enter into contract negotiations for said provision services, as specified, using the costs identified herein, as the basis for those contract negotiations. **Detailed cost information shall be attached and meet the requirements as described in the Proposal.**

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Official’s Title                               Address

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