REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS 19-141
COACH DISPOSITION SERVICES

Instructions to Proposers:

All spaces below and all offer documents as outlined herein are to be filled in with signatures where indicated. Failure to sign may render your proposal invalid.

PROPOSAL OF:

Name of Bidder: ____________________________________________________________
Address: ___________________________________________________________________
City, State and Zip Code: ______________________________________________________

SUBMIT PROPOSAL TO:

State Road and Tollway Authority
Gary Thomason, Issuing Officer
245 Peachtree Center Avenue, Suite 2200
Atlanta, GA 30303

Proposals Due and Open: June 11, 2019, 2:00pm, Local Time (Atlanta, GA)

Schedule of Events

Release RFP May 20, 2019
Deadline for Proposer Written Questions
(Submit questions by email to gthomason@srsa.ga.gov) May 28, 2019 2PM EST
Responses to Written Questions May 31, 2019
Proposal Submission Deadline June 11, 2019, 2PM EST
Notice of Intent to Award June 17, 2019*
Notice of Contract Award June 28, 2019*

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All questions should be submitted by email to gthomason@srsa.ga.gov. Questions must be submitted no later than the deadline specified in the above Schedule of Events. Answers are provided for informational purposes only and will not be considered binding unless incorporated by addendum to this RFP. Proposers are reminded and encouraged to check www.srsa.com/procurement daily for any changes to the RFP as well as to check this website for Notice of Contract Award. Posting of Notice of Award shall constitute official public notification.
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1. Information for Proposers

1.1 Purpose of Procurement

The purpose of this solicitation is to request proposals from qualified companies to provide Coach Disposition Services. The State Road and Tollway Authority (SRTA) will dispose of 97 D4500 MCI coaches starting approximately September 2019 and ending approximately April 2021. 77 of the 97 coaches are expected to be disposed of from September 2019 to December 2019. The remaining 20 coaches are expected to be disposed of in the first or second quarter of calendar year 2021. Coaches are from the 2006, 2007 and 2009 model years. Such disposition must meet specific requirements as outlined in the scope below. SRTA can provide access to its fleet of coaches, if requested, by interested vendors; all requests for access to the coaches must be submitted no later than the Deadline for Proposer Written Questions as noted in Section 1.3-Solicitation Schedule. Vendors should note that one (1) of the initial 77 coaches to be disposed of is partially burned and that four (4) coaches may have baggage doors, and passenger windows removed.

The scope of work consists of furnishing all labor, machinery, tools, means of transportation, supplies, equipment, materials, safety equipment, services, and incidentals to provide complete Coach Disposition Services as provided herein.

The services to be performed shall generally fall into the following National Institute of Government Purchasing (NIGP) commodity codes:

- 06500—Automotive and Trailer Bodies, Body Accessories, and Parts
- 99868--Metal, Scrap, Sale of Surplus and Obsolete Items

All respondents to this RFP are subject to the instructions communicated in this document, as may be amended, and are cautioned to review the entire RFP and carefully follow the instructions herein.

Proposals will be accepted until 2:00PM (EST), June 11, 2019. Instructions for requesting a copy of the RFP document can be found on the SRTA website at https://www.srta.ga.gov/procurement/

1.2 Type and Term of Contract

SRTA shall enter into a fixed price contract with the selected Contractor. The Contract to be awarded by the SRTA shall be for a period of Two (2) years (“Initial Term”) with up to one (1) renewal option of one (1) year each (Renewal Term). The renewal of the Contract shall be at the sole discretion of SRTA. All
extensions or renewals shall be made in writing and executed by both parties prior to the contract expiration date.

1.3 Solicitation Schedule

The Schedule of Events set out herein represents SRTA’s best estimate of the schedule that will be followed. However, delays to the procurement process may occur which may necessitate adjustments to the proposed schedule. If a component of this schedule, such as the Proposal Due Date, is delayed, the Schedule of Events may be shifted as appropriate and at SRTA’s discretion. Any changes to the Schedule of Events up to the Proposal Due Date will be posted to the SRTA website at https://www.srta.ga.gov/procurement/. After the Proposal Due Date, the SRTA reserves the right to adjust the remainder of the proposed dates, including the dates for evaluation, award and the Contract term on an as needed basis with or without notice.

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1.4 Restrictions on Communications with SRTA during the Solicitation, Offer and Award Period

From the date of issuance of this solicitation through the date of Contract award by SRTA, Proposers are not allowed to communicate for any reason with any SRTA staff or Board Members regarding this Procurement. All Proposer communications to the SRTA concerning this solicitation should be directed to the Issuing Officer. Unauthorized contact regarding this solicitation with other SRTA, staff or Board members may result in disqualification.

1.5 SRTA Contact Information

All inquiries, offers, submissions, and/or other correspondence regarding this solicitation (excluding protests submitted in accordance with Part 1, Section 2.9 below) must be directed in writing to:
2. Solicitation Terms and Conditions/Instructions to Proposers

2.1 Deadline for Submission of Proposals/Late Proposals

Proposals submitted in response to SRTA Solicitation No. 19-141 must be received by SRTA no later than 2:00 p.m. (EST) on June 11, 2019 to ensure that they are evaluated for Contract award by the Evaluation Committee for this procurement. Proposals received after the submission deadline will not be evaluated.

2.2 Format of Proposals

Five (5) total paper copies of each proposal, inclusive of one (1) original and four (4) identical paper copies, as well as one (1) electronic copy on USB drive must be submitted to the Issuing Officer for the proposal to be eligible for evaluation and consideration for Contract award. The electronic copy, submitted on a USB drive, must be submitted in Portable Document Format (PDF), Microsoft Word, and/or Microsoft Excel formats. The USB drive shall contain electronic file copies of all complete, signed Offer Documents that are submitted in paper copy format. The “original” paper copy of the RFP must be unbound. All paper copies must be clearly marked as being either “Original” or “Copy” as applicable. In the event of a discrepancy between a hard copy and electronic versions, the Original hardcopy version will govern.

Pricing must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope and clearly marked as “Price Proposal” with the Proposer name, SRTA Solicitation Number 19-141, and Proposal Submission Deadline on the exterior of the envelope. Proposer shall provide a total of five (5) paper copies of the price proposal, inclusive of one (1) original and four (4) identical paper copies, as well as an electronic copy in Excel format via USB.

All proposals must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the proposal format and content requirements specified in Part 1, Section 3 below. Proposals must be typed. The included required forms may be completed by using the free Adobe Reader software available at http://get.adobe.com/reader/.

Proposals must be typed in English and all pricing must be provided in US dollars. As a condition of submission responsiveness, all Offer Documents that require the signature of Proposer must be signed. Any Contract award made as a result of this solicitation shall bind the Proposer to all of the terms, conditions, and specifications set forth in this RFP.
2.3 Location for Submission of Proposals/Methods of Delivery

Proposals must be submitted exclusively to Gary Thomason, Issuing Officer, at the address noted in Section 1.5. It is the sole responsibility of the Proposer to ensure that its proposal is successfully delivered to SRTA by the specified date and time. SRTA is not responsible for late or lost deliveries of proposals.

Proposals that are submitted by hand delivery or delivery by U.S. Postal Service or private courier/delivery service must be delivered to the SRTA administrative office located at 245 Peachtree Center, Suite 2200, Atlanta, GA 30303. SRTA’s physical address and mailing address are the same.

All envelopes, packages, and/or boxes (including all envelopes, packages, and/or boxes submitted within a larger envelope, package, or box) containing a proposal on USB drive must be clearly marked with the following identifier on the outside of the envelope, package or box:

“Proposal in response to SRTA Solicitation No. 19-141:
RFP for Coach Disposition Services –June 11, 2019 2:00 p.m. (EST)
ATTN: Gary Thomason, Issuing Officer
To be opened by addressee only.”

Failure to clearly mark all envelopes, packages, and/or boxes as specified may result in the proposal being discovered and/or opened late. SRTA is not responsible for proposals discovered and/or opened late due to Proposer’s failure to mark the proposal as specified. It is the sole responsibility of the Proposer to ensure that its proposal is successfully delivered to SRTA by the specified date and time. SRTA is not responsible for late or lost deliveries by the U.S. Postal Service or private courier/delivery services.

2.4 Questions

Questions regarding the RFP must be submitted to SRTA in writing (defined as being sent or received via letter on official firm/agency letterhead or by electronic mail) by 2:00 p.m. (EST) on May 28, 2019. Written questions must be submitted to the attention of Gary Thomason, Issuing Officer, in accordance with Section 1.5 above.

The final Contract that the SRTA expects to award as a result of this RFP is attached hereto as Part 3 of this RFP. Therefore, all costs associated with complying with the requirements of the Contract should be included in any pricing submitted by the Proposer.

Please review SRTA’s attached Contract terms and conditions and submit any and all questions, clarifications and recommendations to the Issuing Officer by the deadline date and time specified in this RFP. All questions, clarifications, and recommendations must be submitted using Attachment A-Questions and Answers Template.
Requests that materially change the terms or the requirements of the Contract, as determined by SRTA, in its sole discretion, will be rejected. Requests that grant the Proposer an impermissible competitive advantage, as determined by SRTA, in its sole discretion, will be rejected. Requests will only be considered if submitted prior to the deadline for submitting written questions as defined by the Schedule of Events. Should there be any changes made to the Contract as a result of requests received, SRTA shall post a Final Contract via formal addendum to the RFP. Absent the issuance of a formal addendum containing a Final Contract, proposers should plan on the Contract terms and conditions as attached hereto as Part 3-Contract.

The SRTA shall post all questions received as well as SRTA’s responses to each question at https://www.srta.ga.gov/procurement/ by the posting deadline noted in Section 1.3-Solicitation Schedule. It is the sole responsibility of the Proposer to make itself aware of SRTA’s responses to written questions the Proposer has submitted. Responses to questions are provided as information only and do not in any way alter the contents of the Solicitation inclusive of the Scope of Services and the remainder of the RFP documents. Revisions to the Solicitation shall be made only via formally issued Amendments (i.e. Addenda). Only such written addenda shall constitute revisions to the Solicitation that are binding upon SRTA.

2.5 Amendments to Solicitation (Addenda)/Postponement of Proposal Submission Deadline

The SRTA reserves the right to revise or amend the RFP up to the time set for the submission of proposals. Such revisions and amendments, if any, shall be announced by written addenda to the RFP. If an addendum significantly changes the RFP, the date set for the submission of proposals may be postponed by such number of days as in the opinion of SRTA shall enable potential Proposers to revise their proposals. In any case, the proposal submission deadline shall be at least three (3) business days after the last addendum, and the addendum shall include an announcement of the new date, if applicable, for the submission of proposals.

Upon issuance, addenda will be considered part of the RFP and will prevail over inconsistent or conflicting provisions contained in the original RFP. Amendments to the RFP will be made in writing. Copies of all addenda will be made available on both the Georgia Procurement Registry website at http://ssl.doas.state.ga.us/PRSapp/PR_index.jsp and the SRTA website at https://www.srta.ga.gov/doing-business-with-us/. This process will be repeated each time an addendum is made available by SRTA.

The SRTA will not be responsible for a potential Proposer failing to receive notification of the availability of addenda. EACH PROPOSER IS INDIVIDUALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR REVIEWING ADDENDUMS AND ANY OTHER POSTED DOCUMENTS AND MAKING ANY NECESSARY OF APPROPRIATE CHANGES AND/OR ADDITIONAL TO THE PROPOSER’S RESPONSE PRIOR TO SUBMISSION. It is the sole responsibility of each potential Proposer to check the SRTA and Georgia Procurement Registry websites regularly for addenda.
Proposers shall acknowledge receipt of all addenda by completing and submitting Offer Document #3 (Acknowledgement of Addenda), included in this RFP, as part of its proposal. As with other required documentation, proposals that fail to reference receipt of addenda by inclusion of Offer Document #3 (Acknowledgement of Addenda) may be excluded from consideration for a Contract award.

2.6 Single Response to Solicitation

If only one proposal is received in response to this RFP, a detailed cost analysis of the single proposal may be requested of the single Proposer. A cost analysis, evaluation, and/or audit of the proposal may also be performed by SRTA in order to determine if the proposal price is fair and reasonable. If SRTA determines that a cost analysis is required, the single Proposer must be prepared to provide, upon request, detailed summaries of estimated costs (i.e., labor, equipment, supplies, overhead costs, profit, etc.) and documentation supporting all cost elements.

2.7 Confidential/Proprietary Information

Any and all materials submitted in response to this RFP are subject to public inspection, pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 50-18-70 et seq., Georgia’s Open Records Act, upon completion of the RFP process. SRTA’s receipt, review, evaluation or any other act or omission concerning any such information shall not be considered to create an acceptance of any obligation or duty for SRTA to prevent the disclosure of any such information except as required by the Open Records Act. Proposers that decide to submit information they believe should be exempt from disclosure under the Open Records Act shall: (i) clearly mark each page containing such information as confidential, proprietary or exempt, (ii) shall include such information in a different color from the rest of the proposal text, (iii) shall state the legal basis for the exemption with supporting citations to the Georgia Code, and (iv) for records containing trade secrets, Proposers who wish to keep such record confidential shall also submit and attach to the records an affidavit affirmatively declaring that specific information in the records constitute trade secrets pursuant to Article 27 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Georgia Code.

Pursuant to Georgia Law, if the information is requested under the Open Records Act, SRTA shall make a final determination if any exemption actually exists for SRTA to deny the request and prevent disclosure. SRTA will withhold such information from public disclosure under the Open Records Act only if SRTA determines, in its sole discretion, that there is a basis to do so.

All material submitted regarding the RFP becomes the property of SRTA. Any activity pursuant to this RFP by any Proposer is governed by all applicable laws, including without limitation, Georgia and Federal antitrust laws.
2.8 Reserved Rights

The SRTA reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or any portion of a specific proposal for any reason. Issuance of this RFP and receipt of proposals does not commit SRTA to award a contract.

The SRTA has the sole right to select the successful proposal(s) for contract award(s); to reject any proposal as unsatisfactory or non-responsive due to non-conformance with the requirements of this RFP; to cancel the solicitation and to advertise for new proposals; to award a contract(s) to other than the Proposer submitting the lowest cost proposal; to award multiple contracts; or not to award a contract as a result of this RFP.

The SRTA reserves the right to accept any proposal deemed to be in the best interest of the SRTA and to waive any irregularities in any proposal that does not prejudice the SRTA or other Proposers.

No Proposer shall have any cause of action against the SRTA arising out of the methods by which proposals are evaluated.

2.9 Protest Procedures

Proposers should familiarize themselves with the procedures set forth on SRTA’s website, which accessible here https://www.srta.ga.gov/doing-business-with-us/.

2.10 Minority Business Participation

The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, Regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation, apply to this contract. It is SRTA’s policy to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex, or national origin in the award or performance of this contract. All companies qualifying under this solicitation are encouraged to submit proposals. The requirements of this solicitation apply for all Proposers, including those who qualify as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE). Proposers with questions regarding DBE certification may contact the Issuing Officer.

SRTA has a DBE goal for federally funded contracts awarded between October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2020. The for SRTA is 8%. Additional Contract requirements related to participation by DBEs are specified in Part 3 – Contract of this RFP.

As an incentive to increase utilization of minority-owned businesses as subcontractors on State purchases, the State of Georgia provides for an income tax adjustment on the state tax return of any company that subcontracts with a State certified minority-owned firm to furnish goods, property, or services to the State of Georgia. The Tax Incentive Program is codified at O.C.G.A. §48-7-38 and is managed by the Georgia Department of Revenue.
2.11 Ethical Standards

It is a breach of ethical standards for any SRTA 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.

SRTA employees are also bound by the Georgia Governor’s Executive Order, dated January 14, 2019, for “Establishing a Code of Ethics for Executive Branch Officers and Employees.” The Executive Order prohibits SRTA and SRTA employees, or any person acting on their behalf, from accepting, directly or indirectly, any gift from any person with whom the employee interacts on official SRTA business. Therefore, it is unlawful for a potential Proposer, or its subcontractors or suppliers, to make gifts or favors to any SRTA employee. It is also unlawful for any SRTA employee to accept any such gift or favor. In addition, any persons acting as members of the Evaluation Committee for this procurement shall, for the purposes of this procurement, be bound by the referenced Executive Order.

Throughout the proposal evaluation and award process and subsequent contract negotiations, Proposers 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 the Evaluation Committee, the SRTA Board of Directors, or SRTA employees other than Gary Thomason, Issuing Officer.

2.12 ADA Guidelines

The SRTA adheres to the guidelines set forth in the Americans with Disabilities Act. Proposers should contact the Issuing Officer at least one day in advance if they require special arrangements when attending the Pre-Proposal Conference. The Georgia Relay Center at 1-800-255-0056 (TDD only) or 1-800-255-0135 (Voice) will relay messages, in strict confidence, for the speech and hearing impaired.

2.13 Contractual Relationships

The SRTA intends to execute a Contract, attached as Part 3 of this RFP. The selected Contractor’s contractual responsibility must solely rest with one firm or legal entity, which shall not be a subsidiary or
affiliate with limited resources. Proposer’s Proposal Letter, included as Offer Document #2 of this RFP, must clearly indicate the firm or entity responsible for contract execution.

2.14 Small Business Participation

The SRTA strongly supports the participation of small business owners in its contracts. It is the policy of the SRTA to ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of USDOT-assisted contracts. It is the intention of the SRTA to create a level playing field on which Small Businesses can compete fairly for contracts and subcontracts relating to its construction, procurement and professional services activities in compliance with the requirement of 49 C.F.R. 26.39.

2.15 Proposal Withdrawal and/or Revision Following Submission

A submitted proposal may be withdrawn and changes to a submitted proposal can be made prior to the RFP Due Date and time. In the event a Proposer notes an error or omission in its response which was overlooked prior to submitting the proposal, the Proper may contact the Issuing Officer to request the proposal withdrawn. Once the Proposer’s response is withdrawn, the SRTA has no response from the Proposer. Unless and until the Proposer resubmits the received response, the SRTA will have no offer from the Proposer to evaluate for possible Contract award. Any resubmission must be received by the SRTA no later than the Proposal submission deadline.

2.16 Proposer Conflicts of Interest

Proposer must disclose in detail, with the Proposal, anything that may create a conflict or appearance of a conflict of interest. Required disclosures include but are not limited to: 1.) any current contractual relationships with SRTA; 2.) any past, present or planned contractual or employment relationships with any officer or employee of SRTA; and 3.) any other circumstances that might be considered to create a financial interest in the Contract by any SRTA officer or employees if Proposer is awarded the Contract. Conflicts of interest that arise after the Proposal submission deadline, but before the Notice of Award, must be disclosed in detail in writing to the Issuing Officer. The foregoing list is a demonstrative list and shall constitute a limitation on the Proposer’s disclosure obligations.

2.17 Contractual Provisions

SRTA shall execute the Contract (the “Contract”), attached as Part 3 to this RFP, with the successful proposer. SRTA shall be under no obligation to consider and/or approve exceptions or changes to the Contract. Nevertheless, any proposed Contract modifications must be submitted by the Question Submission Deadline noted in Section 2.4 using the question submission template provided as part of this RFP.
The apparent successful Proposer must return two signed copies of the Contract to the SRTA Issuing Officer within five (5) business days of notification of intent to award. Failure to do so may lead to rejection of the Proposer. SRTA reserves the right to proceed to discussions with the next ranked Proposer.

2.18 Registered Lobbyists

By submitting a response to this RFP, the Proposer hereby certifies that the Proposer and its lobbyists are in compliance with the Lobbyist Registration Requirements in accordance with the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission.

2.19 Responsibility for Compliance with Legal Requirements

Proposer’s products, services, and facilities shall be in full compliance with any and all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, ordinances, and standards regardless of whether or not they are referred to in this RFP.

2.20 Conditional Proposals

Terms and conditions attached to a proposal by a Proposer and made a condition of Contract execution may render the proposal non-responsive and may be rejected by SRTA.

2.21 Sales and Use Taxes

SRTA is exempt from paying sales and use taxes. All pricing provided in response to this RFP shall exclude sales and use taxes. Contractor shall specify the sales tax to be paid, if applicable, in any resulting Work Order with an Ordering Entity.

2.22 Proposal Preparation Costs

All costs of proposal preparation, attendance at pre-proposal and/or pre-award meetings, and any other pre-award costs shall be at Proposer’s sole cost and expense.

3. Contents of Complete Proposal

All Proposals should include a table of contents with page numbers and sufficient detail to facilitate easy reference to all requested information. Proposer shall not utilize a font size smaller than 10pt font or have margins that are less than 1-inch. To be eligible for evaluation by SRTA as a complete, responsive proposal in response to SRTA Solicitation No. 19-141, any and all proposals submitted to SRTA must contain all fifteen (15) of the following documents, properly signed by an authorized representative, fully completed by the Proposer, and numbered and arranged in the following order:
3.1 Complete Proposal Checklist

- This document serves as a checklist for Proposers to ensure that their proposal is complete and ready for submission to SRTA. The document is used by the SRTA during the evaluation of responsiveness of proposals.
- This document must be fully completed, signed by an authorized representative, and submitted with the proposal.
- Blank checklist form is attached as Offer Document #1 of this RFP.

3.2 Proposal Letter

- This document summarizes the acknowledgements and representations made by and agreed to by the Proposer with regard to its proposal.
- This document must be fully completed, signed by an authorized representative, and submitted with the proposal.
- Blank form is attached as Offer Document #2 of this RFP.

3.3 Acknowledgement of Addenda to RFP

- This document is required by Part 1, Section 2.5 of this RFP.
- This document must be fully completed, signed by an authorized representative, and submitted with the proposal.
- If no addenda to the RFP were issued by SRTA, Proposer must still complete the form and include it in its proposal.
- Blank form is attached as Offer Document #3 of this RFP.

3.4 Proposer Information Form

- This document summarizes key information about the Proposer for SRTA’s assistance and reference during evaluation of the proposals including:
  - Contact Information for Proposer
  - Corporate information
  - List of references for whom Proposer has performed similar services in the past five years
- The SRTA will contact the references listed on this document as part of its evaluation of proposals. References provided should have the proposed solution currently deployed or have deployed the solution within the past five years.
- If Proposer is a certified DBE, proof of DBE certification must accompany this document.
- This document must be fully completed, signed, and submitted with the proposal.
- Blank form is attached as Offer Document #4 of this RFP.
3.5 Proposer Certifications

- This document must be fully completed, signed, and submitted with the proposal.
- Blank form is attached as Offer Document #5 of this RFP.

3.6 Statement of Firm’s Qualifications and Experience

- This document shall be provided by the Proposer and shall be a narrative description of the Proposer’s qualifications and experience. This narrative description shall include the appropriate use of headings and subheading that address, at minimum, the following elements:
  - Brief description of the Proposer (brief history, number of employees, lines of business, areas of specialization, office locations, organization, gross revenue, net income and loss for the current and prior year, parent company (if applicable), recent litigations and outcomes, litigation currently underway, etc.)
  - Description of the firm’s experience in performing work of a similar nature to that solicited in this RFP, specifically the provision and implementation for an FTA-funded transit agency, state DOT, or other transportation entity, and the participation in such work by the key personnel proposed for assignment to this project.
  - Highlight the firm’s experience with the work or services identified in Scope of Services.
  - Comprehensive listing and brief descriptions of relevant engagements started and/or completed during the last five years that are similar in scope and nature to the Scope of Services, attached to this RFP.

- There is no prescribed format for this document. The format of the document shall be at the discretion of Proposer; however, font size no smaller than 10 pt. with margins no less than 1 inch, on 8.5 x 11 size paper. Proposer should label this document as Offer Document #6 in its proposal.

3.7 Project Team and Project Approach

- This document shall be provided by the Proposer and shall be a narrative description of the Proposer’s project team and approach. This narrative description shall include the appropriate use of headings and subheading that address, at minimum, the following elements:
  - Firm’s technical approach to the project and interpretation of the Scope of Services, including the Tasks identified in the Scope of Services section. Specifically, the
Proposer shall describe the method to disable the engine by drilling a three-inch by three-inch hole through the engine and the method to disable the frame structure.

- Identify the adequacy of the firm’s resources, including personnel, labor, equipment and supplies, etc.
- Any special or unique benefits that the proposed team and/or its approach brings to the Scope of Services

- There is no prescribed format for this document. The format of the document shall be at the discretion of Proposer; however, font size no smaller than 10 pt. In addition, the sample project schedule may be submitted in 11x14 or 11x17 page format. Proposer should label all document(s) submitted in response to this Section 3.7 as Offer Document #7 in its proposal.

3.8 Price Proposal

- This document must be fully completed, signed by an authorized representative, and submitted with the proposal in a separately sealed envelope or package, marked “Price Proposal” on the front of the envelope.
- The submitted Price Proposal must include all costs of performing pursuant to the final posted Contract.
- Price proposals containing a minimum order/ship quantity or dollar value, unless otherwise specified in the RFP, will be treated as non-responsive and may not be considered for award.
- In the event there is a discrepancy between the Proposer’s unit price and extended price, the unit price shall govern.
- The envelope shall contain one (1) signed original, nine (9) copies and one (1) electronic version of the Price Proposal. The electronic version of the Price Proposal must be submitted on a USB drive and the file format must be Microsoft Excel. The Price Proposal and corresponding electronic version MUST NOT be submitted in the same envelope as the other offer documents.
- A blank Price Proposal is attached as Offer Document #8 of this RFP.

3.9 Contract Affidavit under O.C.G.A § 13-10-91(b)(1)

- This document must be fully completed, signed by an authorized representative, notarized, and submitted with the proposal.
- Blank form is attached as Offer Document #9 of this RFP.
3.10 Subcontractors and DBEs

- This document must be fully completed, signed by an authorized representative, and submitted with the proposal.
- If any identified subcontractor is a certified DBE, proof of DBE certification must accompany this document.
- Blank form is attached as Offer Document #10 of this RFP.

3.11 Certification Regarding Suspension and Debarment

- This document must be fully completed, signed by an authorized representative, and submitted with the proposal.
- Blank form is attached as Offer Document #11 of this RFP.

3.12 Certification Regarding Lobbying

- This document must be fully completed, signed by an authorized representative, and submitted with the proposal.
- Blank form is attached as Offer Document #12 of this RFP.

3.13 Non-Collusion Affidavit

- This document must be fully completed, signed by an authorized representative, and submitted with the proposal.
- Blank form is attached as Offer Document #13 of this RFP.

3.14 Anti-Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions Against Israel Certification

- This document must be fully completed, signed by an authorized representative, and submitted with the proposal.
- Blank form is attached as Offer Document #14 of this RFP.

3.15 Statement of Responsibility

- This document must be fully completed, signed by an authorized representative, and submitted with the proposal.
- Blank form is attached as Offer Document #15 of this RFP.
4. Proposal Evaluation and Contract Award

4.1 Standards for Award

SRTA Solicitation No. 19-141 is a Request for Proposals. SRTA intends to award a contract to the Proposer whose proposal conforms to the solicitation and is determined to be the most advantageous to SRTA taking into consideration price and other evaluation factors set forth in this document.

In order to be eligible for contract award a proposal must meet all of the following criteria:

4.1.1. The proposal submitted is responsive to the solicitation.

- A proposal shall be considered responsive if it conforms in all material aspects to the requirements of the solicitation at the scheduled time of submission.
- It shall be at the sole discretion of the SRTA to determine if a proposal conforms in all material aspects to the requirements of the solicitation.

4.1.2 The Proposer who submitted the proposal is a responsible Proposer.

- A Proposer shall be considered responsible if the Proposer possesses, at the time of Contract award, the ability to perform successfully and a willingness to comply with the terms and conditions of the Contract.

4.2 Evaluation and Award Process

All proposals shall be evaluated by an Evaluation Committee. Proposals and evaluations will be kept confidential throughout the evaluation and award process. Only the members of the Evaluation Committee and other SRTA staff having a legitimate work-related interest will be provided access to the proposals and evaluation results during the evaluation and award process. Proposals will be evaluated, and a Contract will be awarded in accordance with the following process:

4.2.1 Evaluation of Proposals by the Issuing Officer

- Proposals will first be evaluated by the Issuing Officer for responsiveness in accordance with the standard set forth in Part 1, Section 4.1.1 above. Only those proposals that are determined to be responsive shall be evaluated for Proposer responsibility.

4.2.2 Evaluation of Proposals by the Evaluation Committee

- Proposers who submitted responsive proposals will be evaluated by the Evaluation Committee for responsibility in accordance with the standard set forth in Part 1, Section 4.1.1 above.
A responsible Proposer is one that the SRTA believes to responsible based on the responses provided on the Proposer’s Offer Document No. 3.16 and/or based on Contractor’s responses to the requirements of the RFP. The SRTA reserves the right to conduct additional due diligence into any Proposer’s responsibility status. Such due diligence may include investigations into any of the items set forth in the submitted offer documents.

4.2.3 Scoring of Proposals by the Evaluation Committee

Proposals that are determined to be responsive and that were submitted by responsible Proposers shall be further evaluated by the Evaluation Committee to determine the Proposal(s) that is/are most advantageous to SRTA. The Evaluation Team will review each proposal to determine its compliance with the RFP technical requirements. All proposals which are considered responsive proposals will be scored in accordance with the scoring criteria detailed below.

**Phase 1-Technical Evaluation (40-point maximum)**

- Disablement Approach (30-point maximum): Proposer shall describe their method to drill a three-inch by three-inch hole through the engine block and method to disable the frame structure.
- Parking Capacity (10-point maximum): Proposer shall describe their ability to park up to 76 coaches at one time (note the chosen vendor shall pickup each coach within 24 hours of being notified by SRTA that the coach is available for pickup. SRTA expects 76 buses to arrive between September 1, 2019 and October 30, 2019. Coaches must be disabled within 80 days of the coach leaving the SRTA facility. As such, the chosen vendor may have up to 76 buses at their facility at any given time).

**Phase 2-Price Proposal (60-point maximum)**

The Evaluation Committee shall specifically consider information submitted in accordance with Section 3.8. The Price Proposal will be reviewed for revenue provided to SRTA.

4.2.4 Total Combined Score

Upon completion of the scoring by the Evaluation Committee, each Proposer will be assigned a Total Combined Score, consisting of the Proposer’s scores from Phase 1, Phase 2 (if applicable) and Phase 3.

4.2.5 Best and Final Offer

The SRTA reserves the right, but is not required, to request a Best and Final Offer from the Proposer(s) after the Evaluation Committee has completed scoring. BAFOs may be requested.
from one or more Proposers. In the event that a Best and Final Offer is requested, the request will indicate: 1.) the elements of the proposal for which revisions are requested; 2.) the criteria by which the revised proposals will be evaluated; 3.) any additional questions that the Proposer must respond to; and 4.) the method of submission and the deadline for submission of revised proposals and pricing. Additional discussions between the SRTA and the proposers may not take place during the BAFO period.

If a BAFO if requested, the final Contract award will be based on the highest point total using the following formula:

\[(\text{Original Technical Score}) + (\text{Best and Final Offer Cost Score}) = \text{Final Total Score}\]

If a BAFO is not requested, the final Contract award will be based on the highest point total using the following formula:

\[(\text{Original Technical Score}) + (\text{Original Price Proposal Score}) = \text{Total Combined Score}\]

4.2.6 Notice of Intent to Award and Notice of Award

The preliminary results of the evaluation may be announced through the public posting of a Notice of Intent to Award to the SRTA website. The Notice of Intent to Award (“NOIA”) is not notice of an actual contract award; instead, the NOIA is notice of SRTA’s expected contract award(s) pending resolution of the protest process. The NOIA (if any) will identify the apparent successful Proposer. The Notice of Award is SRTA’s public notice of actual Contract award and will be publicly posted to the SRTA website.

4.2.7 Execution of Contract

After the Notice of Award has been posted, the SRTA will execute a Contract with the successful Proposer.
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Background and Information

The State Road and Tollway Authority (SRTA) will dispose of 97 D4500 MCI coaches starting approximately September 2019 and ending approximately April 2021. 77 of the 97 coaches are expected to be disposed of from September 2019 to December 2019. The remaining 20 coaches are expected to be disposed of in the first or second quarter of calendar year 2021. Coaches are from the 2006, 2007 and 2009 model years. Such disposition must meet specific requirements as outlined in the scope below. SRTA can provide access to its fleet of coaches if requested by interested Proposers. Proposers should note that one of the initial 77 coaches to be disposed of is partially burned and that four coaches may have baggage doors and passenger windows removed.

Coach Disposal Scope:

Permanent Disablement Requirements

Each disposed coach must be rendered permanently disabled by:

1) Drilling a three inch by three-inch hole completely through the engine block so that it cannot be rebuilt; and
2) Disabling the coach frame structure (monocoque construction) so that it cannot be rebuilt.

Successful methods to drill a hole in the engine block may include utilizing a three-inch hole-saw or utilizing a torch to create the hole. The successful Proposer may also propose other methods to disable the engine block to SRTA for approval.

Proposers shall propose a method to disable the frame structure of each coach. The proposal shall be a part of the response to this solicitation. Such disablement method shall permanently render the coach non-road worthy.

Proof of Permanent Disablement

Successful Proposers will be required to provide proof of disablement. Disablement documentation must include JPEG (or other appropriate image files) images as shown in Table 1 with corresponding file names. Contractor shall be required to append the last 4 digits of the bus’s VIN to the file name (e.g., SideProfile1234.jpg):

Table 1: Required Photos for Each Bus After Disablement

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<tr>
<th>Photo</th>
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<td>1 Side profile of the coach</td>
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<td>2 Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) label</td>
<td>VIN####.jpg</td>
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<tr>
<td>3 Engine plate showing the EPA engine family name</td>
<td>EngineTag####.jpg</td>
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<td>4 Disabled frame</td>
<td>DisabledFrame####.jpg</td>
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<tr>
<td>5 Engine block, prior to hole being drilled</td>
<td>EngineBlockPrior####.jpg</td>
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<tr>
<td>6 Engine block, after hole has been drilled</td>
<td>EngineBlockAfter####.jpg</td>
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The successful Proposer must also provide a letter on company letterhead confirming the disablement requirements have been met. Such letter must be signed by the successful Proposer’s authorized representative. The letter must include:

1) The date the coach(es) were received from SRTA and disabled;
2) A listing of the coach(es) with engine model year and VIN; and
3) The name and contact information for the entity that disabled the coaches.

A sample disablement letter is provided in Appendix A. The successful Proposer shall utilize such letter, unless otherwise approved by SRTA. The letter must be scanned, saved in PDF format, titled “Disablement Letter” and emailed to SRTA. This letter shall be sent together with the JPEG disablement photos.

Resale and Disposal of Scrappage
Equipment and vehicle components that are not part of the engine or frame structure may be salvaged from the coach being replaced (e.g., seats, tires, etc.). The engine and frame structure may be sold for scrap metal, provided that the coach is disposed of in accordance with federal and state requirements for vehicle disposal.

Transportation of Coaches for Disposal
The successful Proposer will be responsible for transporting each coach from SRTA’s facility at 5250 Frontage Road, Forest Park GA, 30297. SRTA expects that the substantial majority of coaches that are disposed of will be in drivable condition; however, SRTA doesn’t warrant this. As such, the successful Proposer must be able to tow the coach from SRTA’s facility in the event it is not drivable. In addition, the successful Proposer will be required to provide their own jump start equipment, if needed (vehicles are 24 volt).

Time Period for Disposal
All coaches must be rendered permanently disabled within 80 calendar days of leaving the SRTA facility. The successful Proposer shall remove the bus within 24 hours of being notified by SRTA or its designee, in writing, that the bus is ready for pickup. A timeframe for the successful Proposer to scrap applicable coach parts is not prescribed.

Additional Details
Tire size on these vehicles is 315 80R 22.5. These coaches utilize standard truck tires, not the Metro Transit tires commonly used on transit buses. SRTA requires that operable coaches maintain a minimum of 4/32nd’s inch tread depth.

SRTA will not provide assistance with starting, jump starting or otherwise transporting any vehicle. The successful Proposer must provide their own resources to resolve any pickup and transport problems. The successful Proposer cannot block nor hinder the day to day operation at the pick-up site. If requested, SRTA will hold vehicle orientation for the successful. This will be held at SRTA’s convenience and occur before the start of the pick-up process.
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Appendix A

Sample Disablement Certification Letter:

[MUST BE PRINTED ON THE SUCCESSFUL PROPOSER’S LETTERHEAD] [DATE]

The following coach(es) was/were disposed of according to SRTA’s scope of services (Contract #TBD). The contract requires that the coach being replaced must be permanently disabled by 1) drilling a three inch by three-inch hole completely through the engine block; and 2) permanently disabling the frame.

I confirm that the disablement requirements have been met. [NAME OF ENTITY THAT SCRAPPED THE BUS] performed the bus disablement on [DATE]. The phone number of the organization is [PHONE NUMBER].

[COACH 1 VIN] [ENGINE MODEL YEAR COACH 1]

[COACH 2 VIN] [ENGINE MODEL YEAR COACH 2]

[SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE]