

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**Blue Water Area Transportation Commission**  
**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE PURCHASE OF**  
**LOW FLOOR, DEDICATED CNG, MEDIUM DUTY PARA-TRANSIT COACHES**

Sealed proposals in duplicate will be received up to and including 2:00 PM, EST, January 08, 2025 by the *Blue Water Area Transportation Commission, 2021 Lapeer Avenue, Port Huron, Michigan, 48060* for the purchase of up to 65 low floor, cutaway, CNG, buses, plus options, in accordance with complete specifications and request for proposals as required by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

Procurement will be made on a competitively negotiated basis. Evaluation criteria will include, but not be limited to, price; delivery schedule, parts availability; documentation and ordering methods; after delivery support systems; desirable servicing and operating characteristics.

The buses subject to this procurement shall be ordered within a sixty (60) day period after opening of the proposals submitted. Delivery of the buses shall be made no later than twelve (12) months after the issuance of purchase orders.

Procurement will be made on a competitively negotiated basis. Evaluation criteria will include, but not be limited to, price; low floor offering; parts availability, documentation and ordering methods; after delivery support systems; desirable servicing and operating characteristics and compatibility with existing equipment.

All proposals shall be subject to all State and Federal Laws and subject to a financial assistance contract between the Blue Water Area Transportation Commission, under the Federal Transit Act, as amended and the Michigan Department of Transportation. Contractor will be required to comply with all applicable Equal Employment Opportunity laws and regulations. Any name appearing on the U.S. Comptroller General's list of ineligible contractors for federally financed and assisted programs is not an eligible proposer and will not be considered.

Blue Water Area Transportation Commission hereby notifies all proposers that it will affirmatively assure that in regard to any Contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit proposals in response to this invitation and no proposer will be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, sex, age, handicap, religion, ancestry, martial status, national origin, place of birth, or sexual preference.

The Blue Water Area Transportation Commission reserves the right to postpone, accept or reject any and all proposals in whole or in part on such basis as the COMMISSION deems to be its best interest.

No proposals may be withdrawn for at least sixty (60) days after the scheduled closing time of the proposal. All proposals shall be on the proposed forms of the COMMISSION.