

**BIDDER QUESTIONS
NPT-IFB-004-17**

	ITB Section	ITB Page	Question	Response
	Cover	Intro	After questions are submitted, when will the answers be published? Please give us 7-10 days after the published RFA's for bid due.	12/08/17
1	Para. 1	Intro	Please confirm number of wheelchairs – 2 or 3?	2
2	Para. 6	1	Are questions due 12/4 or 11/20?	Stated on addendum #1
3	Para. 3	4	All warranty repairs must be preapproved. Notify our shop in Mukilteo. Minor repairs will be handled case by case.	As stated in the Bid packet.
4	Para. 4	4	Delete liquidated damages. Buses are delivered in an on time basis. This adds to cost for the tribe.	No
5	Para. 3	5	Acceptance of buses to occur within 15 days of delivery. Payment is due 15 days after acceptance. This is a net 30 account. If bus is put into service, this constitutes acceptance.	As stated in the Bid packet, 30 days.
6	Bidder's Check	7	Documentation that FMVSS 220 met solely by structure frame (specification 23a) We meet this FMVSS requirement as tested. Please see attached test results.	
7	Para. 3	8	Please confirm number of buses requested – 3 or 4?	4
8	Title	9	Please confirm number of wheelchairs – 2 or 3?	2
9	Specifications 1b chassis	9	The F550 does not have a molded hood. Does the tribe want to spec a F650? Please clarify all your specs in either include the F550 or the F650 or another chassis.	Specs are in the Bid packet and addendum #1 should help clarify which type of chassis the NPT is asking for.
10	Specifications 6a,b	9	A 30' bus will accommodate 24 passengers with shorter hip to	

	dimensions		knee space. With a front lift, the door can be 30" or 40". The 40" door will give you less hip to knee. Wheelbase to be approx. 242" to meet FMVSS. Please see samples of floorplan.	
11	Specification 10a	10	The Ford F650 is an air ride rear suspension standard with an air ride driver's seat. We would ask that you accept the air ride suspension. The F650 would be a chassis upgrade to liquid spring.	Air ride seat but not air ride suspension, as specified on the Bid specs.
12	Specifications 17b	11	Fuel tank and shield to be OEM	Yes
13	Specifications 20a	11	There is no such evaluation data available.	NPT must know that it is operational. Provide justification.
14	Specifications 21a	12	There is no such evaluation data available.	NPT must know that it is operational. Provide justification.
15	Specifications 23a	12	The sub frame is 1.5" steel tubing The wall is 1.5" steel tubing Please see attached construction literature	
16	Specifications 23c	13	Interior panels 3.2mm grey luan Exterior skin is galvanized steel Please see attached construction literature	
17	Specifications 23f, 1.,2.,3.,4.	14	Please accept our water test (see attached document describing in detail our test procedures).	OK
18	Specifications 24a	15	Please accept our standard Gerflor covering, no slip. This exceeds the spec and we believe that the Gerflor is an upgrade from the RCA rubber requested.	OK
19	Specifications 25b	15	Please accept a 30" door. This will give a little more room for seats. If not a 40" door is the option. With a front lift and wider door, your seating capacity is limited even more. (please see attached spec.)	32" minimum clear opening as stated in the bid.
20	Specifications 26a	15	Please accept the first step not to exceed 14.5"	12" as stated in the bid, 14" too high.
21	Specifications 27. b.	16	Our side wall windows are all 32.5" in height. They are designed to be compatible with our 24" on center tubular steel construction. The windows vary in width based upon the length of the bus. Sizes offered include: 20 1/2", 22 1/2",	32.5" x 22.5"

			44 1/2", and 46 1/2" widths (all are 32.5" in height. They are all available with T-slider tops. We have been providing these windows throughout the Commercial bus industry for 14 years. They have been accepted as equal by other transit agencies. Please accept our offering as an approved equal.	
22	Specifications 27. e.	16	Our side passenger windows are transit style 1/8" thick tempered glass with top T- sliders and a 20% light transmitting tint. They meet FMVSS 205. We have been providing this style of window to transit agencies throughout the Country for 14 years. Light transmitting tint varies from manufacture to manufacture. Please accept our 20% light transmitting tint.	ok
23	Specifications 28c	16	Please accept a floor mounted storage. With a front dest. Sign there may not be enough room in the cap.	ok
24	Specifications 28e	16	Please accept a LED destination signs as an alternate	ok
25	Specifications 29a	17	Driver seat to be the OEM seat. On the F550 the air pedestal is not available. Do you want an F650? Again, some of your specs are not clear.	As stated in the Bid packet and on Addendum #1, Air pedestal seat.
26	Specifications 30d	17	24" belt extensions are no longer available	As close to 24" as possible.
27	Specifications 31a	17	Do you want a 1,000# rated lift or 800#	800
28	Specifications 32. a.	17	Please correct the specifications to reflect the number of wheel chair positions that are being requested. In the Title of the bid the Agency is calling for 24 passengers and 2 wheelchairs while in this spec (3) wheelchair positions are being called out. Please clarify.	2 wheelchairs see addendum #1. 24 passenger includes the wheelchairs.
29	Specifications 34. b.	18	All metal on our sub-structure is G-90 Galvanized steel. Attached is a copy of our supporting documentation. Please accept our process as an approved equal to acid etched and primed.	Ok

30	Specifications 34f	18	All hardware if rated for its application. All is QVM approved	
31	Specifications 35a	18	The factory service manual may not be available at time of delivery. The manuals trail the model year by approx. 9 months	Manuals need to be provided.
32	Specifications 37a	19	Warranty will not pay for transportation. All repairs can be done either at the tribal shop or in Lewiston at your preferred shop. Ford dealer and Navistar Truck shop.	As stated in the Bid packet.
33	Specifications 37b	19	OEM ford warranty: F550: 3yrs or 36,000 miles F650: 2yrs-unlimited mileage If you still want 150K it will be through the OEM extended warranty program.	As stated in the Bid.
34	Specifications 37c	19	Warranty normally does not pay for transportation. If it's an issue that cannot be resolved locally, then the warranty case will be decided at the time. Warranty has paid for this in the past when it is a large body issue. This is something that is very rare.	As stated in the bid.,
35	Specifications 38a	19	Creative cannot guarantee access to any training that we do not control. When we here of any training or present any classes of our own, we will notify the tribal shop for enrollment.	As stated in the Bid.
36	Specifications 39a	19	It is anticipated at this time that delivery will be within 180 days ARO	120 day minimal.
37	Specifications 39b	19	There is no way we can have four black medium duty buses delivered in 90 days. Please see above. 180 days ARO delivery.	120 day minimal.
38	Specifications Options 40	19	What brand of emergency brake is the tribe specifying?	Foot brake.
39	Para. 3	Intro	Can you provide a street address (not PO Box) where express delivery such as UPS or FedEx can deliver our Bid and where it will be accepted by your	Please send to Terry Kinder at NPT Executive Direction 120 Bever Grade, Lapwai Id, 83540. As stated in portions of the Bid Packet.

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