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REQUEST FOR BIDS

VEHICLE BID SPRING 2008 UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM

RFB # 16-08

ISSUE DATE: March 6, 2008

BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: March 21, 2008, 2:00 pm

DELIVER BIDS TO:

University of Maine System Office of Strategic Procurement Attn: Hal Wells 16 Central Street Bangor, ME 04401

SECTION ONE

1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 The University of Maine System is seeking quotations for the purchase of vehicles according to the attached schedules.

Definition of Parties: The University of Maine System will hereinafter be referred to as the "University". Respondents to the RFB shall be referred to as "Bidders". The Bidder to whom the contract is awarded shall be referred to as the "Contractor".

- 1.2 Alternates: Unless otherwise provided for in this solicitation, the name of a certain brand, make or manufacturer does not restrict Bidders to the specific brand, make or manufacturer named; but conveys the general style, type, character, and quality of the article desired. Any article which the University, in its sole discretion, determines to be the equal of that specified, considering quality, workmanship, economy of operation, and suitability for the purpose intended, shall be accepted. It is the Bidder's responsibility to clearly and specifically indicate the product being offered and to provide sufficient descriptive literature, catalog cuts and technical detail to enable the University of Maine to determine if the product offered meets the requirements of the solicitation. Failure to furnish adequate data for evaluation purposes may result in declaring a bid non-responsive. Unless the Bidder clearly indicates in its bid that the product offered is an "equal" product, such bid will be considered to offer the brand name products referenced in the solicitation.
- 1.3 Award: The University reserves the right to award this bid on a schedule-by-schedule basis, price and other factors considered. The University reserves the right to conduct any tests it may deem advisable and to make all evaluations. The University reserves the right to reject any or all bids, in whole or in part and is not necessarily bound to accept the lowest bid if that bid is contrary to the best interests of the University. The University reserves the right to waive minor irregularities. Scholarships, donations, or gifts to the University will not be considered in the evaluation of bids. A bid may be rejected if it is in any way incomplete or irregular. When there are tie bids, there shall be a preference for "in-state bidders". When tie bids are both in-state or both out-of-state, the award will be made to the bid that arrives **first** in the Office of Strategic Procurement.
- 1.4 Award Protest: Bidders may appeal the award decision by submitting a written protest to the University of Maine System's Director of Strategic Procurement within five (5) business days of the award notice, with a copy of the protest to the successful Bidder. The protest must contain a statement of the basis for the challenge.
- 1.5 Bid Envelope: The signed bid should be returned in an envelope or package, sealed and identified as follows:

From				
	Name	Due Date	Time	Bid No.

- 1.6 Evaluation Criteria: Awards will be made to the low bidders, providing delivery needs and all other requirements are satisfactorily met. However, in keeping with the Governor's Executive Order and the State of Maine's Clean Government Initiative the University will incorporate a best-value determination including fuel efficiency and emission ratings in determining the award of passenger sedans and award may be to a vehicle that best meets those criteria even if it does not have the lowest purchase price.
- 1.7 Communication with the University: It is the responsibility of the bidder to inquire about any requirement of this RFB that is not understood. Responses to inquiries, if they

change or clarify the RFB in a substantial manner, will be forwarded by addenda to all parties that have received a copy of the RFB. Addenda will also be posted on our web site, <u>www.maine.edu/strategic/upcoming_bids.php</u> The University will not be bound by oral responses to inquiries or written responses other than addenda.

Inquiries must be made to:

Hal Wells Office of Strategic Procurement University of Maine System 16 Central Street Bangor, Maine 04401 (207) 973-3302

- 1.8 Debarment: Submission of a signed bid in response to this solicitation is certification that your firm (or any subcontractor) is not currently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency. It is also agreement that the University will be notified of any change in this status until such time as an award has been made.
- 1.9 Specification Protest Process and Remedies: If a bidder feels that the specifications are written in a way that limits competition, a specification protest may be sent to the Office of Strategic Procurement. Specification Protests will be responded to within five (5) business days of receipt. Determination of protest validity is at the sole discretion of the University. The due date of the bid may be changed if necessary to allow consideration of the protest and issuance of any necessary addenda. Specification protests shall be presented to the University in writing as soon as identified, but no less than five (5) business days prior to the bid opening date and time. No protest against the award due to the specifications shall be considered after this deadline. Protests shall include the reason for the protest and any proposed changes to the specifications. Protests should be delivered to the Office of Strategic Procurement in sealed envelopes, clearly marked as follows:

SPECIFICATION PROTEST, RFB #_____

- 1.10 Submission: A signed original bid must be received at the Office of Strategic Procurement, 16 Central Street, Bangor, Maine 04401, no later than 2:00 P.M. local time, Friday, March 21, 2008, for a public opening. Bidders are strongly encouraged to submit bids in advance of the due date to avoid the possibility of missing the 2:00 deadline due to unforeseen circumstances. Bidders assume the risk of the methods of dispatch chosen. The University assumes no responsibility for delays caused by any package or mail delivery service. A postmark on or before the due date WILL NOT substitute for receipt of bid. Bids must be date and time stamped by the University on time to be considered. In the event that the University is closed due to inclement weather at the time that a bid is due, the bid will be opened at the same time on the next day that the University is open. Bidders may wish to call 207-973-3298 if the weather is bad, to learn if the University has closed. Bids received after the due date and time will be returned unopened. Additional time will not be granted to any vendor. Additional time may be granted to all vendors when the University determines that circumstances require it. FAXED OR E-MAILED **BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
- 1.11 Costs of Preparation: Bidder assumes all costs of preparation of the bid and any presentations necessary to the bidding process.
- 1.12 Bid Understanding: By submitting a bid, the Bidder agrees and assures that the specifications are adequate, and the Bidder accepts the terms and conditions herein. Any exceptions should be noted in your response.

SECTION TWO

2.0 CONTRACT TERMS

2.1 Delivery Notification: Notification must be made to the following people at these locations twenty-four hours prior to delivery so that personnel may be available to receive delivery.

Campus	Contact	Phone Number
University of Southern Maine Facilities	Paul Kuplinski	207-780-4162
University of Maine	Mike Hambrock	207-581-2742
University of Maine at Machias	Bob Farris	207-255-1316
Kennebec Valley Community College	John Delile	207-453-5123
Maine Maritime Academy	Stacey Ericson	207-326-2445

- 2.2 Litigation: This contract and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Maine without reference to its conflicts of laws principles. The Contractor agrees that any litigation, action or proceeding arising out of this contract, shall be instituted a state court located in the State of Maine.
- 2.3 Transportation Charges: Quotations must be F.O.B. Destination. Prices quoted will be considered to include all charges for transportation, packaging, crates, containers, insurance, duty and brokerage charges, etc. necessary to complete delivery on a F.O.B. Destination basis.
- 2.4 Payments: Payment will be upon submittal of an invoice to the address provided on the purchase order, on a Net 30 basis unless discount terms are offered with the bid document. Invoice must include the purchase order number.
- 2.5 Temporary Plates: All vehicles must be delivered with a 14-day plate.

NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS

The owner of record on the title application for any vehicle purchased by the University shall be: University of Maine System, 16 Central Street, Bangor, Maine 04401. The legal residence on the vehicle registration shall reflect the campus location, i.e. Orono; Farmington; Portland; etc. <u>THIS IS NOT THE CASE FOR KVCC AND MMA VEHICLES.</u>

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Schedule Number	Vehicle Description	<u>Quantity</u>	Location
1	12-passenger Van	1	MMA
2	AWD Cargo Van	1	MMA
3	Mini-Cargo Van	1	Orono
4	1/2 or 3/4 ton, Regular Cab 4X4 Pick-Up Truck	1	Orono
5	1/2 ton, Crew Cab 4X4 Pick-Up Truck	1	Orono
6	Mid-size Sedan	1	Orono
7	Toyota Prius	2	KVCC/USM
8	Chevrolet Malibu Hybrid	1	Machias

3.0 SPECIFICATIONS AND PRICE QUOTES

SCHEDULE 1 - Maine Maritime Academy - One (1) new 2008 model year, 1-ton, 12-passenger, full size, RWD, van GMC Savana 3500, Chevrolet Express 3500 or Ford E350 or acceptable alternates, as described below, delivered to Maine Maritime Academy:

Accessory Power Outlet Minimum of one, front Air Bags All available. The minimum requirement is for frontal, driver and front passenger Front and rear, factory installed Air Conditioning Alternator Heavy duty Arm Rests All available Audio System AM/FM/CD stereo, factory installed Battery Heavy duty Body Regular (not extended length) 4-wheel ABS, power assisted Brakes Front: rear with step and tow Bumpers TBD Color, Exterior Protected to -35 degrees Fahrenheit Cooling System **Daytime Running Lights** Preferred Doors Dual hinged rear open out; dual hinged side open out Front engine, rear wheel drive Drive train Gasoline, 8-cylinder Engine Black full floor rubberized vinyl Floor covering Front and rear rubberized vinyl floor mats Floor Mats Heaters Front and rear Mirror, Inside Day/night Mirrors. Outside Driver and passenger, low mount Passenger Capacity 12-passengers Seat Covering Custom cloth Seats, Front High-backed bucket seats Seats, Second and Third Row Bench, quick release Speed Control Factory installed with resume function Stability Control Electronic stability control required Power assisted with tilt steering column Steering Tire, Spare Full size, mounted and secured Tires Radial steel belted, all weather, LT rated Transmission Automatic Trailer Hitch Rear bumper, 1 7/8" Visors Factory installed, driver and passenger Wheelbase Approximately 135" Windows All around, manual, tinted, vented side and rear preferred Windshield Wipers Intermittent or variable-timed interval wipers w/washers

Make, Model and Year

Net Price Delivered to Maine Maritime Academy

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Delivery Time from Receipt of P.O.

Delivery address: Maine Maritime Academy Stacey B. Ericson Director of Facilities Management and Purchasing Castine, Maine 04420 207-326-2445 SCHEDULE 2 – Maine Maritime Academy – One (1) new 2008 model year, ½ ton, AWD, **cargo** van, full size, GMC Savana 1500 AWD or acceptable alternates with the following specifications, delivered to Maine Maritime Academy:

Accessory Power Outlet Minimum of one, front Air Bags All available. The minimum requirement is for frontal driver and front passenger Factory installed Air Conditioning Heavy duty Alternator AM/FM stereo, factory installed Audio System Battery Heavy duty Body Type & Size 1/2 ton, cargo van, regular length 4-wheel ABS, power assisted Brakes Bumpers Front; rear step and tow Color, Exterior TBD Protected to -35 degrees Fahrenheit Cooling System **Daytime Running Lights** Preferred Differential Limited slip or locking Dual hinged rear open out; dual hinged side open out, Doors all with glass Front engine, ALL-WHEEL-DRIVE Drive train Engine Gasoline Black, full length rubberized vinyl Floor Covering Day/night Mirror. Inside Driver and passenger, low mount Mirrors. Outside Seat Covering Custom cloth Seats Bucket Speed Control Factory installed with resume function Steering Power assisted with tilt steering column Tire, Spare Full size, mounted and secured Tires Radial steel belted, all season Transmission Automatic Visors Factory installed, driver and passenger Wheelbase Approximately 135" Intermittent or variable-timed interval wipers w/washers Windshield Wiper and Washer Additional requirements Cargo Partition, installed Make, Model and Year Net Price Delivered to Maine Maritime Academy \$ Delivery Time from Receipt of P.O.

Delivery address: Maine Maritime Academy Stacey B. Ericson Director of Facilities Management and Purchasing Castine, Maine 04420 207-326-2445 SCHEDULE 3 – University of Maine – One (1) new 2008 model year, mini-**cargo** van, Dodge Grand Caravan Cargo, Chevrolet Uplander Cargo or acceptable alternates, as described below, delivered to University of Maine, Orono:

Accessory Power Outlet Air Bags

Air Conditioning Alternator Audio System Battery Body Type & Size Brakes Color, Exterior Cooling System Daytime Running Lights Doors

Drive train Engine Floor Covering Mirror, Inside Mirrors, Outside Seat Covering Seats Speed Control Stability Control Steering Suspension, Load-Leveling Tire, Spare Tires Traction Control Transmission Visors Window, Rear Defroster Window, Rear Wiper/Washer Windshield Wiper and Washer

Additional requirements

Minimum of one, front All available. The minimum requirement is for frontal driver and front passenger Factory installed Heavy duty AM/FM stereo, factory installed Heavy duty Mini-cargo van 4-wheel ABS, power assisted TBD Protected to -35 degrees Fahrenheit Installed Preferred - Dual hinged rear open out (fixed glass); dual hinged side open out (fixed glass) Front engine, front wheel drive Gasoline, 6-cylinder Black, full length rubberized vinyl Dav/night Driver and passenger, low mount Custom cloth Bucket Factory installed Installed Power assisted with tilt steering column Automatic load-leveling Mounted and secured Radial steel belted, all weather Installed Automatic Factory installed, driver and passenger Factory installed Factory installed Intermittent or variable-timed interval wipers w/washers

Cargo Partition, installed Ladder Rack, installed NOTE: If not factory equipment this is subject to University approval. Price with and without this equipment – see below.

Make, Model and Year

Net Price Delivered to University of Maine, Orono Without cargo partition and ladder rack

Net Price Delivered to University of Maine, Orono With cargo partition and ladder rack installed

Delivery Time from Receipt of P.O.

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Delivery address: University of Maine 2765 Service Building, Motor Pool Rangley Road Orono, Maine 04469 Mike Hambrock 207-581-2742 SCHEDULE 4 – University of Maine – One (1) new 2008 model year, ½-ton or ¾-ton, Regular Cab, 4WD, pick-up, work truck, GMC Sierra or acceptable alternate, as described below, delivered to University of Maine, Orono:

Accessory Power Outlet Air Bags

Air Conditioning Alternator Audio System Battery Bed Liner Bodv Brakes Bumpers Color Cooling System Daytime Running Lights Differential Drive Train Engine Floor Covering Floor Mats Locks, Power Mirror. Inside Mirrors, Outside Seat Covering Seats Speed Control Stability Control Steering Tire, Spare Tires Tow Package Traction Control Transmission Visors Windows Windshield Wiper and Washer Minimum of one, front All available. The minimum requirement is for frontal driver and front passenger Factory installed Heavy duty AM/FM/CD stereo, factory installed Heavy duty Spray, Rhino (or equal) lining - including top of rail Regular Cab; fleetside with full size box 4-wheel ABS, power assisted Front; rear step TBD Protected to -35 degrees Fahrenheit Preferred Limited slip or locking 4-wheel drive Gasoline, 8-cylinder Black full floor rubberized vinvl Rubberized vinyl Required Dav/night Driver and passenger, low mount Cloth 40/20/40 split bench, 3-passenger Factory installed Installed Power assisted with tilt steering column Full size, mounted and secured Radial steel belted, M&S Tow package with highest rated capacity for this vehicle Installed Automatic with cooler Factory installed, driver and passenger Power Intermittent or variable-timed interval wipers w/washers

Make, Model and Year

¹/₂-ton Net Price Delivered to University of Maine, Orono

³/₄-ton Net Price Delivered to University of Maine, Orono

Delivery Time from Receipt of P.O.

Delivery address: University of Maine 2765 Service Building, Motor Pool Rangley Road Orono, Maine 04469 Mike Hambrock 207-581-2742

NOTES

Please enclose chart for selection of interior and exterior colors and pamphlet on the vehicle quoted.

The University prefers the $\frac{3}{4}$ -ton truck but may only be able to afford the $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton truck. It is our intent to purchase one or the other. Bidders should bid both a $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton and a $\frac{3}{4}$ -ton, if possible.

SCHEDULE 5 – University of Maine – One (1) new 2008 model year, ½-ton, Crew Cab, 4WD, pick-up, work truck, GMC Sierra 1500 or acceptable alternate, as described below, delivered to University of Maine, Orono:

Accessory Power Outlet Air Bags

Air Conditioning Alternator Audio System Battery Bed Liner Bodv Brakes Bumpers Color Cooling System Daytime Running Lights Differential Doors Drive Train Engine Floor Covering Floor Mats Locks. Power Mirror. Inside Mirrors, Outside Passenger Capacity Seat Covering Seats, Front Seats, Rear Speed Control Stability Control Steering Tire, Spare Tires Tow Package Traction Control Transmission Visors Windows Windshield Wiper and Washer

Additional Requirement

Minimum of one, front All available. The minimum requirement is for frontal driver and front passenger Factory installed Heavy duty AM/FM/CD stereo, factory installed Heavy duty Spray, Rhino (or equal) lining – including top of rail Crew Cab; fleetside with approximately 6' box 4-wheel ABS, power assisted Front: rear step TBD Protected to -35 degrees Fahrenheit Preferred Limited slip or locking Four (4) full size 4-wheel drive Gasoline, 8-cvlinder Black full floor rubberized vinyl Front and rear rubberized vinyl Required Day/night Driver and passenger, low mount Minimum 5-passengers Cloth 40/20/40 split bench, 3-passenger 60/40 split bench, 3-passenger Factory installed Installed Power assisted with tilt steering column Full size, mounted and secured Radial steel belted, M&S Tow package with highest rated capacity for this vehicle Installed Automatic with cooler Factory installed, driver and passenger Power Intermittent or variable-timed interval wipers w/washers

Color matched fiberglass truck bed cap, installed

Note: If not factory equipment this is subject to University approval. Price with and without this equipment – see below.

Make, Model and Year University of Maine, Orono

Net Price Delivered to University of Maine, Orono With color matched truck bed cap installed

Net Price Delivered to University of Maine, Orono Without color matched truck

Delivery Time from Receipt of P.O.

Delivery address: University of Maine 2765 Service Building, Motor Pool Rangley Road Orono, Maine 04469 Mike Hambrock 207-581-2742

SCHEDULE 6 – University of Maine – One (1) new 2008 model year, 4-door, 5-passenger, midsize sedan, Chevrolet Impala, Ford Taurus, or acceptable alternate, as described below, delivered to University of Maine, Orono:

Accessory Power Outlet Air Bags Air Bags, Supplemental Air Conditioning Audio System Brakes Color Cooling System Door Locks Engine Floor Mats Mirror, Inside Mirrors, Outside Seat Covering Seats Speed Control Stability Control Steering Tires Traction Control Transmission Windows Window, Rear Defogger Windshield Wiper and Washer Minimum of one, front Driver and front passenger Side curtain air bags Factory installed AM/FM/CD stereo, factory installed 4-wheel ABS, power assisted Dark Blue Protected to -35 degrees Fahrenheit Power Gasoline, 6-cylinder Required Day/night Two (2), power Custom Cloth Front bucket Factory installed Installed Power assisted with tilt steering column Radial steel belted, all weather Installed Automatic Power Factory installed Intermittent or variable-timed interval wipers w/washers

Make, Model and Year

Net Price Delivered to University of Maine, Orono

Delivery Time from Receipt of P.O.

Delivery address: University of Maine 2765 Service Building, Motor Pool Rangley Road Orono, Maine 04469 Mike Hambrock 207-581-2742

SCHEDULE 7 – University of Southern Maine (USM) and Kennebec Valley Community College (KVCC) – Two (2) new 2008 model year, Toyota Prius, compact hybrid sedans– **no substitutions**, as described below:

In addition to the standard equipment, the University requires the following optional equipment:

Option Package #2 Color, Exterior Floor Mats Vehicle Stability Control (VSC) TBD Toyota all-weather, front and rear

Net Price Delivered to the University Southern Maine

\$______ one (1) vehicle

Delivery address: University of Southern Maine Department of Facilities Management Paul Kuplinski 25 Bedford Street Portland, Maine 04104-9300 207-780-4162

Net Price Delivered to Kennebec Valley Community College \$______one (1) vehicle Delivery address:

Venue Valley Community College John Delile 92 Western Avenue Fairfield, Maine 04937 207-453-5123

Delivery Time from Receipt of P.O.

SCHEDULE 8 – University of Maine at Machias – One (1) new 2008 model year, Chevrolet Malibu **Hybrid** – **no substitutions**, as described below, delivered to the University of Maine at Machias:

Accessory Power Outlet Air Bags

Air Bags, Supplemental Air Conditioning Audio System Brakes Color Cooling System Daytime Running Lights Engine Floor Covering Floor Mats Mirror, Inside Mirrors, Outside

Seat Covering Speed Control Stability Control Steering Tires Traction Control Transaxle Visors Window, Rear Windows Windshield Wiper and Washer Minimum of one, front All available. The minimum requirement is for frontal driver and front passenger Side curtain air bags Factory installed AM/FM/CD stereo, factory installed 4-wheel ABS, power assisted TBD Protected to -35 degrees Fahrenheit Preferred Hybrid electric, 4-cylinder Carpet, wall-to-wall Required Day/night Driver and passenger adjustable from inside - if available Custom cloth Factory installed Installed Power assisted with tilt steering column Radial steel belted, all-weather Installed Automatic Factory installed, driver and passenger Electric defroster Power Intermittent or variable-timed interval wipers w/washers

Make, Model and Year

Net Price Delivered to the University of Maine at Machias

Delivery Time from Receipt of P.O.

Delivery address: University of Maine at Machias Attn: Robert Farris 9 O'Brien Avenue Machias, Maine 04654 207-255-1316

SIGNATURE PAGE

COMPANY NAME: ______

By: _____(Signature)

(Print Name)

(Title)

(E-mail Address)

(Date)