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**TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD, CT
INVITATION TO BID**

BID #14-22

RE: FORD VEHICLE REPAIR SERVICES AND OEM PARTS

**PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT THE OFFICE OF THE PURCHASING AGENT,
740 MAIN ST., EAST HARTFORD, CT 06108 UNTIL WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2014
@ 11 A.M. AT WHICH TIME THEY WILL BE PUBLICLY OPENED AND RECORDED.**

**INFORMATION AND SPECIFICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE ABOVE OFFICE OR ON
THE TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD'S WEBSITE AT WWW.EASTHARTFORDCT.GOV**

**THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS WHEN SUCH ACTION IS
DEEMED TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD, CT**

**MICHELLE A. ENMAN
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(860) 291-7271**



TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

STANDARD INSTRUCTIONS FOR BIDDERS

1. Sealed bid proposals will be received by the purchasing agent until the date and time on the title sheet. **Bids received later than the date and time specified will not be considered and will be returned unopened.**
2. Bids are to be returned in the Town provided pink envelope or bid number shall be prominently indicated on any other mailing envelope. The name and address of the bidder should appear in the upper left hand corner of the envelope. **Bids will not be accepted via fax or e-mail.**
3. All proposals will be opened and read publicly and are subject to public inspection. Bidders may be present or be represented at all openings. Bid results are mailed to all responding bidders.
4. Municipalities are exempt from any sale, excise or federal taxes. Bid prices must be exclusive of taxes and will be so construed.
5. The Town of East Hartford reserves the right to reject any or all bids or any part of all bids and to waive any informality when such action is in the best interest of the Town. The Town also reserves the right to extend by mutual consent an awarded bid when such action is in its best interest.
6. Bidders should familiarize themselves with the items and/or conditions set forth in the bid specifications. Failure by the bidder to inform himself will not be accepted as an excuse from fulfillment of the bid specifications.
7. All vendors doing business with the Town certify upon acceptance of a bid by virtue of their signature on that bid, that they have read, understood and will comply with the section of the Town's updated plan of affirmative action and equal opportunity relating to contractual and purchasing procedures - section VIII dated 1/88. Vendor agrees to cooperate fully should the Town choose to audit this compliance.
8. In case of an error in the extension or addition of prices, the unit price will govern. The Town will not be subject to any price increases after a bid award if not part of the original bid terms.
9. The Town reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities listed in order to stay within the allocated funding at time of bid opening.
10. The purchasing department has the obligation to accept the lowest responsible bid which is in the Town's best interest. Factors include, but are not limited to, price, compliance to specifications, quality offered, freight costs, delivery time, past performance, standardization of current equipment, financial resources, technical qualifications, equipment and experience.

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STANDARD INSTRUCTIONS (con't.)

11. Bidders shall state in writing and attach to the bid, any conditions/exceptions that are part of the bid price. Comments to the effect “see literature” will not be acceptable.
12. Any manufacturers names, trade names, brand names or catalog numbers used in the specifications are there for the purpose of establishing and describing general performance and quality levels. Such references are not intended to be restrictive and bids are invited on these and approved equal brands or products of any manufacturer.
13. The Town’s competitive bidding process is not a means for competitors to obtain private/proprietary information that is not otherwise normally available. Such information relates to a bidder’s financial records and responsibility, test data, manufacturing drawings, formulas and processes. To promote competition and protect valid interests this type of information/data will remain confidential.
14. All bidder questions shall be directed to the Purchasing Agent. Procedural and clarification questions will be answered appropriately. Questions that require an answer that will in effect change/alter the intent of the specifications will only be answered in writing to all bidders by a bid addendum.
15. Awarded bidders are responsible for obtaining all necessary permits as required by OSHA, Federal, State and/or Town regulations. Town permits will be issued at no cost.
16. Alternate proposals will not be considered unless specifically called for in the bid.
17. Prices shall include packing, transportation and delivery charges F.O.B. to East Hartford/delivered unless specifically noted otherwise.
18. Bidder declares that the proposal is not made in connection with any other bidder submitting a proposal for the same bid and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud.
19. Cash discounts may be offered by bidder for prompt payment of bills, but such cash discount will not be taken into consideration in determining the awarded low bidder except in the case of tie bids and then only provided such discount is based on payment of invoice not less than fourteen (14) days after satisfactory delivery and/or receipt of invoice, whichever is later.
20. The Town will not award a bid to any bidder who owes a delinquent tax to the Town. Bidders certify by virtue of their signature on the bid sheet that neither the bidder nor any business or corporation which the Bidder owns an interest is delinquent in tax obligations to the Town. The purchasing department will verify that no delinquent taxes are owed before any bid is awarded.

A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE WILL ONLY BE REQUIRED OF THE AWARDED BIDDER

INSURANCE INDEMNIFICATION CLAUSE

The Town of East Hartford, CT is to be named as an “**additional insured**” and an additional insured policy endorsement must be submitted with the certificate of insurance and the nature of the project is to be stated on the certificate.

INDEMNIFICATION

Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold the Town of East Hartford harmless against and from any and all claims by or on behalf of any person arising from or in connection with:

A: Any act, error, omission, negligence or fault of contractors or any of its agents, servants, employees and sub-contractors.

B: Any accident, injury or damage whatsoever caused to any person occurring during the performance of this contract.

Further, the contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Town of East Hartford against and from all reasonable costs, counsel fees, expenses and liabilities incurred in or with respect to any such claim and any action or proceeding brought thereon; and in any case any action or proceeding shall be brought against the contractor by reason of any such claim, contractor upon notice from the Town of East Hartford agrees to resist and defend such action proceeding, unless contractor causes the same to be discharged and satisfied.

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

A. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The **CONTRACTOR** shall be responsible for maintaining insurance coverage in force for the life of this contract of the kinds and adequate amounts to secure all of the **CONTRACTOR’S** obligations under this contract with an insurance company(ies) with an AM Best Rating of A-VII or better licensed to write such insurance in the State of Connecticut and acceptable to the Town of East Hartford.

The insurer shall provide the Town of East Hartford with **Certificates of Insurance signed by an authorized representative of the insurance CONTRACTOR(ies)** prior to the performance of this contract describing the coverage and providing that the insurer shall give the Town of East Hartford written notice at least thirty (30) days in advance of any termination, expiration, or any and all changes in coverage.

Such insurance or renewals or replacements thereof shall remain in force during the **CONTRACTOR’S** responsibility under this contracts.

The **CONTRACTOR** at the **CONTRACTOR’S** own cost and expense , shall procure and maintain all insurance required and shall name the Town of East Hartford as Additional Insured on all contracts, except Workers’ Compensation and Professional Errors & Omissions coverage’s.

B. SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:

1) Workers' Compensation Insurance

The **CONTRACTOR** shall provide Statutory Workers' Compensation Insurance, including Employer's Liability with Limits of:

\$100,000 Each Accident
\$500,000 Disease, Policy Limit
\$100,000 Disease, Each Employee

2) Commercial General Liability Insurance

The **CONTRACTOR** shall carry Commercial General Liability Insurance (Insurance Services Office Incorporated Form CG-0001 or equivalent). As per occurrence limit **\$1,000,000** is required. The Aggregate Limit will be not less than **\$2,000,000**. Any deviations from the standard unendorsed form will be noted on the Certificate of Insurance.

3) Business Automobile Liability Insurance

The **CONTRACTOR** shall carry Business Automobile Liability Insurance (Insurance Services Office Incorporated Form CA-00001 or equivalent). A per occurrence limit of **\$1,000,000** is required. "Auto Auto" (symbol 1 or equivalent) is required. Any deviations from the standard unendorsed form will be noted on the Certificate of Insurance.

C. OTHERS: PROFESSIONAL SERVICES - ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, ET AL.

Shall carry Errors & Omissions coverage in the amount \$1,000,000 per occurrence for all professional services contracts only.

The Town reserves the right to amend amounts of coverage required and type of coverage provided based on work or service to be performed.

D. SUBCONTRACTOR'S REQUIREMENTS:

The **CONTRACTOR** shall require the same insurance that it is required to carry by the Town of East Hartford to be carried by any subcontractors and independent contractors hired by the **CONTRACTOR** and to obtain **Certificates of Insurance** before subcontractors and independent contractors are permitted to begin work.

The **CONTRACTOR** shall require that the Town of East Hartford be named as Additional Insured on all subcontractors and independent contractors insurance before permitted to begin work.

The **CONTRACTOR** and all subcontractors and independent contractors and their insurers shall waive all rights of subrogation against the Town of East Hartford, and its officers, agents, servants and employees for losses arising from work performed by each on this contract.

Bid Specifications **for Ford Vehicle Repair Services and OEM Parts**

The East Hartford Fleet Services Division is seeking to obtain proposals for Ford Vehicle Repair Services and OEM Parts listed on the attached bid form.

The contract will cover a 2 year period between May 1, 2014 through May 1, 2016 for the services and parts listed on the attached bid form. The contract may be extended for a period of one year intervals upon mutual agreement between the vendor and the town of East Hartford provided no additional costs are incurred for the extended period.

NOTES:

1. The contract shall include vehicle repair services for the department's fleet of vehicles. Vendors are requested to supply an hourly rate for this service. This rate is to include any costs associated with minimum services charges. Detailed fleet information may be obtained by contacting Mark Losty, Fleet Manager at 860-291-7379.
2. Vendor will provide work area where vehicles will be serviced.
3. Vendor will provide secure area if vehicles are left overnight. Vendor will provide new parts for repairs. Used or rebuilt parts will not be acceptable without prior approval of the department. Only vehicle manufacturer approved parts will be acceptable.
4. Vendor will not sub-contract repairs to other service providers without prior approval of the Fleet Division.
5. Vendor must be able to provide immediate services on public safety vehicles.
6. Vendor must be located within a 15 mile radius of East Hartford, CT 06108.
7. For all technical questions regarding this bid, please contact Mark Losty, Fleet Manager at 860-291-7379; for all procedural questions, please contact Michelle Enman, Purchasing Agent, at 860-291-7271 or menman@easthartfordct.gov.

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BID SHEET

THIS PROPOSAL IS MADE WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT IT WILL BE ACCEPTED OR REJECTED WITHIN SIXTY DAYS, THIS MAY BE EXTENDED BY MUTUAL CONSENT. THE UNDERSIGNED DECLARES THAT ALL INFORMATION AND SPECIFICATIONS HAVE BEEN EXAMINED AND UNDERSTOOD AND MAKES THE FOLLOWING OFFER:

#1 – Repair Service on Ford Vehicles, Light/Medium Duty, cost of labor. Repairs to be made during regular hours of work week.

Hourly Rate \$ _____

#2 – Preventive Maintenance Service, includes chassis lubrication, up to 6 quarts of motor oil and filter recommended by vehicle manufacturer, top off all fluid levels, and check drive train.

\$ _____

#3– Front End Alignment and all standard services included therein

\$ _____

#4– Original Ford Automotive parts, Percentage of List Price

% _____

#5 – Mileage distance from East Hartford, CT 06108

PRINT OR TYPE ONLY

BIDDER _____

BY _____
TITLE

WRITTEN SIGNATURE _____

ADDRESS _____

ZIP CODE _____

TELEPHONE _____

FAX _____

EMAIL _____

TAX COLLECTOR VERIFICATION _____
NO DELINQUENT TAXES OWED BY THE AWARDED
BIDDER TO THE TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD