

F4F FAQs Cooperative Procurement Process

Project Overview

Fleets for the Future received a competitive award from the US Department of Energy

Purpose

To aggregate AFV purchases and infrastructure installations on national and regional scales

Partners

- 1. National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) project lead and developing the national procurement for private fleets
- 2. 5 regional councils: Metro Washington Council of Governments (MWCOG), MAPC, North Central COG, Pima COG, and MARC
 - a. Developing and implementing aggregate procurements for AFVs and infrastructure in each region

MWCOG regional market

Mid-Atlantic from Richmond area up to Philadelphia region

Eligibility

- 1. Public and Nonprofit Fleets: State and local government, school districts, universities, and utilities
- 2. Vehicle Type: Light-, medium-, and heavy-duty vehicles
- 3. Vehicle Fuel Type: Compressed natural gas, propane, ethanol (E85), plug-in electric technology, hybrid electric technology (non plug-in medium- and heavy-duty only)
- 4. Infrastructure Type: Compressed natural gas, E85, propane (LPG), Level 2 electric charging, and DC Fast Charging (DCFC)

Type of Procurements

- 1. Invitation to Bid (ITB) Vehicles
 - a. Dealers not OEM (preferred)
- 2. Invitation to Bid (ITB) Infrastructure equipment only
 - a. Only equipment not project specific
 - b. Jurisdictions must negotiate based on individual project needs and installation

Bid form will be menu style including the following:

- 1. Base bid for vehicle
- 2. Additional Options
- 3. Outfitting charges for propane, natural gas, etc.

Contracts

- 1. Multiple awards are expected
- 2. Bid "Rider Clause" will allow piggybacking
- 3. Three-year contract
- 4. All ordering and payments will originate from the agencies not from COG
- 5. MWCOG vendor registration system www.midatlanticpurchasing.net

Contract Timelines

- 1. Vehicles: mid-October Award
- 2. Infrastructure mid-November Award

Awards based on lowest and best bid

- 1. Cost
- 2. Meets specifications
- 3. Qualified vendor
- 4. We expect to issue multiple awards to various qualified suppliers. This may be done based on geographic regions or based on agency policies and requirements

For more information, go to http://www.fleetsforthefuture.org/metropolitan-washington/ or contact Leah Boggs at lboggs@mwcog.org or 202-962-3336.

