

Request for Clarifications and Exceptions

<u>Group #</u>	<u>Question</u>	<u>Response</u>
3 all LD	Exception: For buses with raised floor, then minimum depth will be 8.5" not 9" as specified	Approved
3 all LD	Exception: Height at center aisle below evaporator will be less than 74"	Approved
3 all LD	Exception: Driver running board step will be 11.5 wide, not 12" as specified	Approved
3 all LD	Exception: Some metal such as anodized aluminum trim will not be primed or painted	Approved
3 all LD	Exception: There are no lift requirements in the appendix section of the bid specifications	Noted: Follow specification in sec 3.9 of IFB
3 all LD	Exception: If two tie down positions are side by side on the back wall, then aisle width will be reduced to zero	Approved
3 all LD	Exception: Radio will be Sony not OEM	Approved
3 all LD	AE: 3.7 L gas engine in lieu of 6.0-6.8L gas	Approved for 138" WB only
3 all LD	AE: Speed governor is not available unless we order a special chassis. Exclude?	Approved, but most note on order form it is not included
3 all LD	Exception: Additional supplemental suspension not currently available. Can this requirement be excluded?	Has it available, request withdrawn
3 all LD	AE: 5/8" ply wood in lieu of 3/4"	Approved with an available upgrade option
3 all LD	AE: Driver storage compartment is 1.8 CF in lieu of 3 CF	Approved
3 all LD	AE: Tow hooks will be added by the body manufacturer and not the OEM chassis manufacturer	Approved
3 all LD	AE: 60K BTU rear heater in lieu of 65K BTU	Approved for 138" WB only
1	Exception: Spare tire allowed to be mounted on rear carrier section, not underneath vehicle	Denied: This will not work per the transit agencies
2	Exception: Request C Van be exempt from Altoona Bus Testing per FTA ruling not requiring for this size vehicle	Approved
2	Exception: Allow Ford Transit Chassis which is unibody in lieu of full frame specification	Approved
3 all LD	AE: Request 6.2L Triton V8 FFV engine	Spec is 6.0-6.8 so this meets spec. Request not necessary
3 all LD	Clarification: Spec "A/C system will have chassis factor A/C plus a rear A/C unit to obtain 52K BTU minimum with	Rear AC should be stand alone system
XXXXX	three blower speed setting, controlled at drivers console.: 52K would include the OEM A/C or does the rear AC	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
XXXXX	be 52K as a stand alone system?	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
3 all LD	AE: request 102 decibel back alarm which meets FMVSS requirements be approved in lieu of 107 min	Approved
IFB	Why is CPI used instead of PPI with table 1413 for trucks and bus bodies?	State of Iowa standards
IFB	This states Iowa DOT pays proper submitted invoices while 6.16 of the IFB states payment for vehicles will be	Transit system pays the vendor, but they get funds from the state or
XXX	made to Contract Bidder by each public transit system. Who pays the Iowa DOT or the public transit system?	FTA. State will not issue any funds to transit system unless all required
IFB		documents are submitted.
IFB	Clarification: Is there a published list of vehicle cost ceilings per class?	Sent though it is also on the Iowa DOT/Transit website
2	Exception: Exempt C vans from Altoona Testing Requirement	Approved
2	Exception: Allow unibody vans such as the Ford Transit	Approved
2	Exception: OEM no longer offers upper 4" of windshield with deep tine. Please accept without	Approved
2	Exception: OEM offers front door opening windows and 3rd row venting windows. Please accept	Approved
2	Exception: Would 1/2" pressure treated marine grade plywood with 1/4" hardboard overlay be allowed?	Approved
2	AE: The floor base material will consist of a 1 1/2" thick composite, water substrate. The flooring substrate must be	Approved
X	fully encapsulated with an FMVSS 302 compliant polyurea finish to provide a slip resistant surface while creating	XXXXXXXXXX
X	a barrier which is impervious to environmental elements. Please accept	XXXXXXXXXX
2	Clarification: No decibel level has been stated for C vans. Is the level left up to the bidder's determination?	FMVSS stats 102 is the norm
2	AE: Please accept restraint track that runs across floor in place of track that runs front to back	Approved, but by only one transit agency. Would like an upgrade option
3 all LD	Clarification: The Transit van has weights listed to use to determine the loaded weight for the vehicle. The bus	Yes
XXXXX	does not list these weights. Are these the weights to be used for all vehicles?	XXX
3 all LD	AE: The OEM chassis is equipped with gauges for fuel, oil pressure, and water temperature. There is a warning	Approved
XXXXX	light for the charging system. Is the OEM gauge package acceptable?	XXXXXXXXXX
4 all MD	Clarification: The dimensions listed in the header are the body length no the wheelbase correct?	Correct
4 all MD	AE: The OEM chassis is equipped with gauges for fuel, oil pressure, and water temperature. There is a warning	Approved

