



COBB COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

1772 County Services Parkway
Marietta, Georgia 30008-4012
(770) 528-8400 / FAX (770) 528-1154
Email: purchasing@cobbcounty.org
www.purchasing.cobbcountyga.gov

IMPORTANT NOTICE – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!!

ALL bids **MUST** be received at the Cobb County Purchasing Department.

BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE 12:00 (NOON) ON BID OPENING DAY

Any bid received later than 12:00 (noon) will not be accepted. The County accepts no responsibility for delays in the mail. Bids are to be mailed or delivered to:

**COBB COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
1772 COUNTY SERVICES PARKWAY
MARIETTA, GA 30008-4012**

**All bid prices shall be submitted on the Bid Form included in the bid/proposal.
Any revisions made on the outside of the envelope WILL NOT be considered.**

PLEASE CHECK bid specifications and advertisement for document requirements.

Documents/Forms listed below **MUST** be submitted when required.

Omission of these documents / forms will cause your bid/proposal to be declared **NON-RESPONSIVE**.

- **BID SUBMITTAL FORM**
 - ▶ *Official Signature is required on this form guaranteeing the quotation.*
- **CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT and AGREEMENT - Exhibit A (NOT REQUIRED)**
 - ▶ *Affidavit **MUST** be signed, notarized and submitted with any bid requiring the performance of physical services. If the affidavit is not submitted at the time of the bid, bid will be determined non-responsive and will be disqualified.*
- **BID BOND (NOT REQUIRED)**

If your firm is classified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) please complete Exhibit B with bid response. A Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) is generally defined as a Female, Black American, Hispanic American and any other minority owned business.

All vendors are required to submit the ORIGINAL AND AT LEAST one (1) duplicated copy of any bid submitted to Cobb County. Please refer to your bid specifications to determine if more than one (1) copy is required. Non-submission of a duplicate copy may disqualify your bid/proposal.

A “**SEALED BID LABEL**” has been enclosed to affix to your bid. This label **MUST** be affixed to the outside of the envelope or package, **even if it is a “NO BID” response**. Failure to attach the label may result in your bid being opened in error or not routed to the proper location for consideration. No bid will be accepted after the date and time specified.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
COBB COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

BID OPENING DATE: JANUARY 26, 2012

Cobb County will receive Sealed Bids before 12:00 NOON, January 26, 2012 in the Cobb County Purchasing Department, 1772 County Services Parkway, Marietta, GA 30008 for:

**SEALED BID # 12 – 5631
PURCHASE OF TWO (2)
FULL SIZE VANS WITH ANIMAL TRANSPORT MODULE
COBB COUNTY FLEET MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT**

No bids will be accepted after the 12:00 noon deadline.

Bids are opened at 2:00 p.m. at Cobb County Purchasing Department, 1772 County Services Parkway, 2nd Floor, Bid/Meeting Room, Marietta, GA 30008

No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after date of bid opening, unless otherwise specified in the bid documents. Cobb County will consider the competency and responsibility of bidders in making the award. Cobb County reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities and technicalities, to reject portions of the bids, and to award contracts in a manner consistent with the County and the laws governing the State of Georgia.

The Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act Affidavit form must be submitted with all bid packages involving the “performance of physical services” in order to be considered.

This solicitation and any addenda are available for download in PDF format on the Cobb County Purchasing website. www.purchasing.cobbcountyga.gov

Advertise: January 13, 20, 2012



BID SUBMITTAL FORM

SUBMIT BID/PROPOSAL TO:
COBB COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
1772 COUNTY SERVICES PARKWAY
MARIETTA, GA 30008-4012

BID/PROJECT NUMBER: 12-5631
PURCHASE OF TWO (2)
FULL SIZE VANS WITH ANIMAL TRANSPORT MODULE
COBB COUNTY FLEET MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

DELIVERY DEADLINE: JANUARY 26, 2012 BEFORE 12:00 (NOON) EST
(NO BIDS/PROPOSALS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DEADLINE).

BID OPENING DATE: JANUARY 26, 2012 @ 2:00 P.M. IN THE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT BID ROOM.

BUSINESS NAME AND ADDRESS INFORMATION:

Company name: _____

Contact name: _____

Company address: _____

E-mail address: _____

Phone number: _____ Fax number: _____

NAME AND OFFICIAL TITLE OF OFFICER GUARANTEEING THIS QUOTATION:

(PLEASE PRINT/TYPE) NAME _____ TITLE _____

SIGNATURE OF OFFICER ABOVE: _____
(SIGNATURE)

TELEPHONE: _____ FAX: _____

BIDDER WILL INDICATE TIME PAYMENT DISCOUNT: _____

BIDDER SHALL INDICATE MAXIMUM DELIVERY DATE: _____

Bids received after the date and time indicated will not be considered. Cobb County reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, to reject portions of the bid, to waive technicalities and to award contracts in a manner consistent with the county and the laws governing the state of Georgia.

The enclosed (or attached) bid is in response to Bid Number **12-5631**; is a firm offer, **as defined by section O.C.G.A. (s) 11-2-205 of the code of Georgia (Georgia laws 1962 pages 156-178)**, by the undersigned bidder. This offer shall remain open for acceptance for a period of 60 days calendar days from the bid opening date, as set forth in this invitation to bid unless otherwise specified in the bid documents.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS - - BID QUOTES MUST INCLUDE INSIDE DELIVERY CHARGES

Advertise Dates: January 13, 20, 2011

SEALED BID LABEL

SEALED BID ENCLOSED

DELIVER TO:
COBB COUNTY PURCHASING
1772 County Services Parkway
Marietta, GA 30008-4012

SEALED BID # 12-5631 DATE: January 26, 2012

BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE 12:00 NOON

DESCRIPTION: Purchase of Two (2)
Full Size Vans With Animal Transport Module

PLEASE ATTACH LABEL TO OUTSIDE OF BID PACKAGE



Cobb County...Expect the Best!

"STATEMENT OF NO BID"

COBB COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
1772 COUNTY SERVICES PARKWAY
MARIETTA, GA 30008

TO ALL PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS:

Because of the many requests to be placed on our vendors' list, we are continuously updating the list. While we want to include all bona fide vendors, we do not want to mail bids to those vendors who may no longer be interested in participating in our bidding process.

If you do not choose to respond to the attached Invitation to Bid/Request for Proposal, please fill out the form below indicating whether or not you want to be retained on our current vendor list.

Vendors who do not respond in any way (by either submitting a bid or by returning this form) over a period of one year may be removed from the current vendor list.

Vendors who do not wish to bid often return the entire bid package, sometimes at considerable postage expense. Returning the entire bid package is not necessary. Simply return this form.

Thank you for your cooperation.
Cobb County Purchasing Department

"STATEMENT OF NO BID"
SEALED BID NUMBER 12-5631
PURCHASE OF TWO (2)

FULL SIZE VANS WITH ANIMAL TRANSPORT MODULE

If you do not wish to respond to the attached Invitation to Bid/Request for Proposal, please complete this form and mail/fax to: **Cobb County Purchasing Department, Attention: Sealed Bid Department, 1772 County Services Parkway, Marietta, GA. Fax # 770-528-1154**

I do not wish to submit a bid/proposal on this solicitation.

I wish to be retained on the vendor list for this commodity or service: Yes _____ No _____

Please PRINT the following:

Company

Representative

You are invited to list reasons for your decision not to bid: _____



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INVITATION TO BID

**SEALED BID # 12-5631
PURCHASE OF TWO (2)
FULL SIZE VANS WITH ANIMAL TRANSPORT MODULE
COBB COUNTY FLEET MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT**

BID OPENING DATE: JANUARY 26, 2012

BIDS ARE RECEIVED IN THE
COBB COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
1772 COUNTY SERVICES PARKWAY
MARIETTA, GEORGIA 30008
BEFORE 12:00 (NOON) BY THE BID OPENING DATE

BIDS WILL BE OPENED IN THE COBB COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
BID/MEETING ROOM AT 2:00 P.M.

VENDORS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL AND 1 COPY OF BID
(UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED IN BID SPECIFICATIONS)

N.I.G.P. COMMODITY CODE: 99894, 07094

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

REPRESENTATIVE: _____

PHONE: _____ FAX: _____

E-MAIL _____

NOTE: The Cobb County Purchasing Department will not be responsible for the accuracy or completeness of the content of any Cobb County Invitation to Bid or Request for Proposal or subsequent addenda thereto received from a source other than the Cobb County Purchasing Department.

Invitation to Bid
Purchase of Two (2) Full Size Vans with Animal Transport Module
Cobb County Fleet Management Department
Sealed Bid #12-5631

SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Cobb County Fleet Department is requesting bids from vendors for the Purchase of Two (2) Full Size Vans with Animal Transport Module.

Bids are due to the Cobb County Purchasing Department **before 12:00 (Noon) on January 26, 2012.** Late bids will not be accepted.

Please submit an original and one (1) copy to:
Cobb County Purchasing Department
1772 County Services Parkway
Marietta, GA 30008

Cobb County General Instructions For Bidders, Terms and Conditions

I. Preparation Of Bids

Each bidder shall examine the drawings, specifications, schedule and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the bidder's risk, as the bidder will be held accountable for their bid response.

Unit price for each quotation shall be shown and such price shall include packing unless otherwise specified, along with a total and grand total where applicable. In case of discrepancy between a unit price and extended price, the unit price will be presumed correct.

Each bidder shall furnish all information required by the bid form or document. Each bidder shall sign the bid and print or type his or her name on the schedule. The person signing the bid must initial erasures or other changes. An authorized agent of the company must sign bids.

Invitations to Bid (ITB) issued by Cobb County are advertised on the Cobb County Internet site, www.purchasing.cobbcountyga.gov and every Friday in the Marietta Daily Journal.

II. Delivery

Each bidder should state the time of proposed delivery of goods or services. Words such as "immediate", "as soon as possible", etc. shall not be used. The known earliest date or the minimum number of calendar days required after receipt of order (delivery A.R.O.) shall be stated (if calendar days are used, include Saturday, Sunday and holidays in the number).

III. Explanation to Bidders

Any explanation desired by a bidder regarding the meaning or interpretation of the invitation for bids, drawings, specifications, etc. must be received in writing **by 5:00 pm on January 17, 2012** in order for a reply to reach all bidders before the close of the bid. Any information concerning an Invitation to Bid (ITB) will be furnished to all prospective bidders as an addendum if such information is necessary or if the lack of such information would be prejudicial to uninformed bidders.

Submit questions in writing to:
Cobb County Purchasing Department
1772 County Services Parkway
Marietta, GA 30008
Fax: 770-528-1154
Email: purchasing@cobbcounty.org

The written bid documents supersede any verbal or written communication between parties. Addenda are posted on the Purchasing web site: www.purchasing.cobbcountyga.gov. Receipt of addenda should be acknowledged in the bid. It is the bidder's ultimate responsibility to ensure that they have all applicable addenda prior to bid submittal.

IV. Submission of Bids

Bids shall be enclosed in sealed envelopes, addressed to the Cobb County Purchasing Department with the name of the bidder, the date and hour of opening and the invitation to bid number on the face of the envelope. Bids must be received in the Purchasing Department no later than the date and time (determined by the date/time stamp in the department) set forth in the Invitation to Bid. It is the sole responsibility of the bidder to ensure that his or her bid reaches the Purchasing Department. Telegraphic/faxed bids will not be considered. Any addenda should be enclosed in the sealed envelopes as well. **All bids shall be submitted on the Bid Proposal Form. Any revisions made on the outside of the envelope will not be accepted.** The bids will be publicly opened and read at the time and place set forth in the Invitation to Bid.

Samples of items, when required, must be submitted within the time specified and, unless otherwise specified by the County, at no expense to the County. Unless otherwise specified, samples will be returned at the bidder's request and expense if items are not destroyed by testing. Items offered must meet required specifications and must be of a quality, which will adequately serve the use and purpose for which intended.

Full identification of each item bid upon, including brand name, model, catalog number, etc. must be furnished to identify exactly what the bidder is offering. The bidder must certify that items to be furnished are new and that the quality has not deteriorated so as to impair its usefulness.

If no items are bid on, the "Statement of No Bid" must be returned, with the envelope plainly marked "No Bid" including the bid number. Where more than one item is listed, any items not bid upon must be indicated "No Bid".

Unsigned bids will not be considered except in cases where bid is enclosed with other documents, which have been signed. The County will determine this.

Cobb County is exempt from federal excise tax and Georgia sales tax with regards to goods and services purchased directly by Cobb County. Suppliers and contractors are responsible for federal excise tax and sales tax, including any taxes for materials incorporated in county construction projects. Suppliers and contractors should contact the State of Georgia Sales Tax Division for additional information. Tax Exemption Certificates will be furnished upon request.

Information submitted by a bidder in the bidding process shall be subject to disclosure after the public opening in accordance with the Georgia Open Records Act. Each page of proprietary information must be identified. Entire bid may not be deemed proprietary.

V. Withdraw Bid Due To Errors

The bidder shall give notice in writing of his claim of right to withdraw his bid without penalty due to an error within two (2) business days (48 hours) after the conclusion of the bid opening. Bids may be withdrawn from consideration if the price was substantially lower than the other bids due solely to a mistake therein, provided the bid was submitted in good faith, and the mistake was a clerical mistake as opposed to a judgment mistake, and was actually due to an unintentional arithmetic error or an unintentional omission of a quantity of work, labor or material made directly in the compilation of the bid, which unintentional arithmetic or unintentional omission can be clearly shown by objective evidence drawn from inspection of original work papers, documents and materials used in the preparation of the bid sought to be withdrawn. The bidder's original work papers shall be the sole acceptable evidence of error and mistake if he elects to withdraw his bid. If a bid is withdrawn under the authority of this provision, the lowest remaining responsive bid shall be deemed to be low bid. Bid withdrawal is not automatically granted and will be allowed solely at the discretion of Cobb County.

No bidder who is permitted to withdraw a bid shall, for compensation, supply any material or labor or perform any subcontract or other work agreement for the person or firm to whom the contract is awarded or otherwise benefit, directly or indirectly, from the performance of the project for which the withdrawn bid was submitted.

VI. Testing and Inspection

Since tests may require several days for completion, the County reserves the right to use a portion of any supplies before the results of tests are determined. Cost of inspections and tests of any item, which fails to meet specifications, shall be borne by the bidder.

VII. F.O.B. Point

Unless otherwise stated in the Invitation to Bid and any resulting contract, or unless qualified by the bidder, items shall be shipped F.O.B. Destination. The seller shall retain title for the risk of transportation, including the filing for loss or damages. The invoice covering the items

is not payable until items are delivered and the contract of carriage has been completed. Unless the F.O.B. clause states otherwise, the seller assumes transportation and related charges either by payment or allowance.

VIII. Patent Indemnity

The contractor guarantees to hold the County, its agents, officers, or employees harmless from liability of any nature or kind for use of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, articles or appliances furnished or used in the performance of contract, for which the contractor is not the patentee, assignee or licensee.

IX. Award

Award will be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Conditional bids are not be acceptable. The quality of articles to be supplied, their conformity with the specifications, their suitability to the requirements of the County, and the delivery terms will be taken into consideration in making the award. The County may make such investigations as it deems necessary to determine the ability of the bidder to perform, and the bidder shall furnish to the County all such information and data for this purpose as the County may request. The County reserves the right to reject any bid if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of such bidder fails to satisfy the County that such bidder is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the contract. The County reserves the right to reject or accept any or all bids and to waive technicalities, informalities, and minor irregularities in bids received.

The Bidder does not have the exclusive right to fill all of the County's requirements for the goods or services awarded nor will the County be obligated to purchase the estimated annual quantity or any quantity contained in the bid document.

The County reserves the right to make an award as deemed in its best interest, which may include awarding a bid to a single bidder or multiple bidders; or to award the whole bid, only part of the bid, or none of the bid to single or multiple bidders, based on its sole discretion of its best interest. In case of tie bid, the award will be made as follows:

1. The bid will be awarded to the in-county vendor.
2. The bid will be awarded to the in-state vendor.
3. The bid will be awarded to the vendor with the lesser total dollar volume.

The County reserves the right to award by line item to more than one vendor. The County reserves the right to negotiate a lower price than the bid award price on any line item with the successful vendor, should the quantity required significantly exceed those on the Invitation to Bid. If the County is unable to negotiate an acceptable price, it reserves the right to rebid the item(s) involved. If after the award of the bid there is a decrease in the price of a product from the manufacturer, or a rebate, the successful bidder will pass that price decrease and/or rebate onto the County.

Time payment discounts will be considered in arriving at net prices and in award of bids. Offers of discount for payment within ten (10) days following the end of the month are preferred.

X. Delivery Failures

Failure of a contractor to deliver within the time specified or within reasonable time as interpreted by the Purchasing Director, or failure to make replacement of rejected articles/services when so requested, immediately or as directed by the Purchasing Director, shall constitute authority for the Purchasing Director to purchase in the open market articles/services of comparable grade to replace the articles/services rejected or not delivered. On all such purchases, the contractor shall reimburse the County within a reasonable time specified by the Purchasing Director for any expense incurred in excess of contract prices, or the County shall have the right to deduct such amount from monies owed the defaulting contractor. Alternatively, the County may penalize the contractor one percent (1%) per day for a period of up to ten (10) days for each day that delivery or replacement is late. Should public necessity demand it, the County reserves the right to use or consume articles delivered which are substandard in quality, subject to an adjustment in price to be determined by the Purchasing Director.

XI. County Furnished Property

No material, labor or facilities will be furnished by the County unless so provided in the invitation to bid.

XII. Rejection of Bids

Failure to observe any of the instructions or conditions in this invitation to bid may constitute grounds for rejection of bid.

XIII. Contract

Each bid is received with the understanding that the acceptance in writing by the County of the offer to furnish any or all commodities or services described therein shall constitute a contract between the bidder and the County which shall bind the bidder on his part to furnish and deliver the articles quoted at the prices stated in accordance with the conditions of said accepted bid. The County, on its part, may order from such contractor, except for cause beyond reasonable control, and to pay for, at the agreed prices, all articles specified and delivered. Payment terms are net thirty (30) days after receipt of invoice.

The Price and all unit prices shown shall be deemed to include all costs of Contractor's performance of the Work as set forth in the Bid Documents, including, but not limited to, the costs of labor, supervision, travel, services, materials, equipment, tools, scaffolds, hoisting, transportation, storage, insurance and taxes.

Upon receipt of a bid package, containing a Cobb County "Sample Contract" as part of the requirements, it is understood that the bidder has reviewed the documents with the understanding that Cobb County requires all agreements between the parties must be entered into via this document. If any exceptions are taken to any part, each must be stated in detail and submitted as part of the bid. If no exceptions are stated, it is assumed that the bidder fully agrees to the provisions contained in the "Sample Contract" in its entirety. The County reserves the right to make alterations to Sample Contracts.

XIV. Non-Collusion

By submission of a bid, the vendor certifies, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief:

- (a) The prices in the proposal have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communications, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other vendor or with any competitor.
- (b) Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in the proposal have not been knowingly disclosed by the vendor prior to opening, directly or indirectly, to any other vendor or to any competitor.
- (c) No attempt has been made, or will be made, by the vendor to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not to submit a proposal for the purpose of restricting competition.

Collusions and fraud in bid preparation shall be reported to the State of Georgia Attorney General and the United States Justice Department.

XV. Conflict of Interest, Etc.

By submission of a bid, the responding firm certifies, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief:

- 1. No circumstances exist which cause a Conflict of Interest in performing the services required by this ITB, and
- 2. That no employee of the County, nor any member thereof, not any public agency or official affected by this ITB, has any pecuniary interest in the business of the responding firm or his sub-consultant(s) has any interest that would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance related to this ITB.

By submission of a bid, the vendor certifies under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief:

- (a) The prices in the bid have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communications, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other vendor or with any competitor.
- (b) Unless other wise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in the bid have not knowingly been disclosed by the vendor prior to opening, directly or indirectly, to any other vendor or competitor.
- (c) No attempt has been made, or will be made, by the vendor to induce any other person, partnership or cooperation to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.

For any breach or violation of this provision, the County shall have the right to terminate any related contract or agreement without liability and at its discretion to deduct from the price, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such fee, commission, percentage, gift, payment or consideration.

The successful responding firm shall require each of its sub-consultant(s) to sign a statement certifying to and agreeing to comply with the terms of the Sub-sections above.

XVI. Default

The contract may be cancelled or annulled by the Purchasing Director in whole or in part by written notice of default to the contractor upon non-performance or violation of contract terms. An award may be made to the next low responsive and responsible bidder, or articles specified may be purchased on the open market similar to those so terminated. In either event, the defaulting contractor (or his surety) shall be liable to the County for costs to the County in excess of the defaulted contract prices; provided, however, that the contractor shall continue the performance of this contract to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this clause. Failure of the contractor to deliver materials or services within the time stipulated on his bid, unless extending in writing by the Purchasing Director, shall constitute contract default.

XVII. Disputes

Except as otherwise provided in the contract documents, any dispute concerning a question of fact arising under the contract which is not disposed of shall be decided after a hearing by the Purchasing Director, who shall reduce his/her decision to writing and mail or otherwise furnish a copy thereof to the contractor. The decision of the Purchasing Director shall be final and binding; however, the contractor shall have the right to appeal said decision to a court of competent jurisdiction.

XVIII. Substitutions

Bidders offering and quoting on substitutions or who are deviating from the attached specifications shall list such deviations on a separate sheet to be submitted with their bid. The absence of such a substitution list shall indicate that the bidder has taken no exception to the specifications contained herein.

XIX. Ineligible Bidders

The County may choose not to accept the bid of a bidder who is in default on the payment of taxes, licenses, or other monies due to the County. Failure to respond three (3) consecutive times for any given commodity/service may result in removal from the supplier list under that commodity/service.

XX. Alterations of Documents

Alterations of County documents are strictly prohibited and will result in automatic disqualification of the firm's solicitation response. If there are "exceptions" or comments to any of the solicitation requirements or other language, then the firm may make notes to those areas, but may not materially alter any document language.

XXI. Termination for Convenience

The County, by written notice, may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, when it is in the County's interest. If this contract is terminated, the County shall be liable only for goods or services delivered or accepted. The County Notice of Termination may provide the contractor thirty (30) days prior notice before it becomes effective. However, at the County's sole option a termination of convenience may be effective immediately and may apply to delivery orders (if applicable) or to the contract in whole.

XXII. Inter-governmental Agreement

Other cities and Authorities located in Cobb County will be allowed to purchase identical items at the same price and upon the same terms and conditions, pursuant to the Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreements entered into between the BOC and Cobb County Governmental entities listed under the Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Program. These entities include the Cobb County Board of Education and Cities of Acworth, Austell, Kennesaw, Smyrna, Marietta, and Powder Springs and the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority and the Cobb-Marietta Coliseum and Exhibit Hall Authority.

XXIII. Indemnification and Hold Harmless

By submission of a bid, the selected responding firm agrees to the fullest extent permitted by law to indemnify Cobb County and protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless Cobb County, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers from and against all claims, actions, liabilities, losses (including economic losses), or costs arising out of any actual or alleged a) bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death; or injury to or destruction of tangible property including the loss of use resulting there from; or any other damage or loss arising out of or resulting claims resulting in whole or part from any actual or alleged act or omission of the responding firm, sub-consultant, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any firm or sub-consultant; or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable in the performance of work; b) violation of any law, statute, ordinance, governmental administrative order, rule, regulation, or infringements of patent rights or other intellectual property rights by the responding firm in the performance of work; or c) liens, claims or actions made by the responding firm or other party performing the work, as approved by Cobb County. The indemnification obligations herein shall not be limited by any limitation on the amount, type of damages, compensation, or benefits payable by or for the responding firm or its sub-consultant(s), as approved by the County, under workers' compensation acts, disability benefit acts, other employee benefit acts, or any statutory bar or insurance.

XXIV. Special Terms and Conditions

Should these General Terms and Conditions be in conflict with any attached Special Terms and Conditions, the Special Terms and Conditions will control.

XXV. Compliance with Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act Contractor Affidavit and Agreement (EXHIBIT A) - Not Applicable

XXVI. Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE): The following provisions should be carefully read to determine applicability to your business.

Cobb County Government encourages the participation of all businesses in offering their services and/or products. The Cobb County Government has the goal to fairly and competitively procure the best product at the most reasonable cost.

A Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) is generally defined as a Female, Black American, Hispanic American and any other minority owned business. The Federal Government has long had program in place to ensure participation of DBE vendors and suppliers. The State of Georgia has established a similar program whereby DBE firms are defined, certified and made known. This effort is managed by the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT). More information can be obtained from GDOT web site:

1. <http://www.dot.state.ga.us/eeo-div/index.shtml>

The Cobb County Government addresses DBE business participation (frequency and dollar value) in the following ways:

1. Cobb County wishes to identify all DBE participation; both at the contractor and sub-contractor levels in the following ways.
 - a. DBE businesses are requested to identify such status at the time they register as a vendor.
 - b. DBE businesses are requested to identify themselves at the time they propose to do business. Please complete **EXHIBIT B** if applicable and return with bid submittal.
 - c. All businesses will receive with each Purchase Order an instruction sheet for use of the furnished *Cobb County Government DBE Participation Report*, **EXHIBIT C**. Businesses are requested to complete this report and submit it with each invoice for the time period billed.
2. Cobb County has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Plan in accordance with the regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (U. S. Department of Transportation (USDOT), 49 CFR Part 26.) The Cobb County Department of Transportation is the lead agency for implementing the USDOT DBE Program for the County.

The Plan applies only to projects which are clearly indicated by the County.

EXHIBIT B

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) IDENTIFICATION FORM

A Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) is generally defined as a Female, Black American, Hispanic American and any other minority owned business. If your firm is classified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), please complete this form and submit with bid response or send to:

Cobb County Purchasing Department
Attn: Purchasing Director
1772 County Services Parkway
Marietta, GA 30008
Fax: 770-528-1154
Email: purchasing@cobbcounty.org

Name of Business: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Certification Number: _____

Name of Organization Certification _____

**This information is acquired for informational purposes only and will
have no bearing on the award unless otherwise stated**

Instructions for Completing Exhibit C
Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)
Participation Report

All Cobb County Government contractors or vendors are requested to complete a report descriptive of any DBE subcontractor involvement in work for which the government is making payment. If otherwise specified in an RFP/ITB or contract, additional reporting forms may be required as well.

The objective of this request is to assist in the identification of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) business participation with the Cobb County Government and to quantify that participation.

The Cobb County Government does not administer a DBE Certification Program. The principle certification agency for the State of Georgia is the Georgia Department of Transportation. As a Contractor/Vendor you are not responsible for verification of any DBE Certification information of your subcontractor.

***** Instructions *****

1. Contractor/Vendor is furnished the one-page ***DBE Monthly Participation Report*** with each Cobb County Government-issued Purchase Order.
2. Contractor/Vendor completes this report for each billing period and attaches it to the invoice to then be sent to the County department/agency receiving the service or product.
3. Upon receipt of a Contractor/Vendor invoice and DBE report, the County department/agency receiving the service or product should keep a copy of the completed DBE report for their reporting process. In order to add or verify the prime contractor is registered as a DBE vendor in AMS, the County department/agency should send a copy of the DBE report to:

Cobb County Purchasing Division
Attn.: DBE Report

A Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) is a firm that is under the control of someone in an ownership position (at least 51%) that:

1. Has membership in one or more of the following groups: Female, Black American, Hispanic American, Native American, Subcontinent Asian American and Asian-Pacific America. There may be other groups that may be eligible to be certified as DBE.
2. Is a U.S. citizen or lawfully admitted permanent resident of the U.S.
3. Has a personal net worth which does not exceed \$750,000.
4. The business meets the Small Business Administration's size standard for a small business. Its annual gross receipts for the three previous fiscal years cannot have exceeded \$22,410,000. Depending on the type of work the business performs, other size standards may apply.
5. The business is organized as a for-profit business.
6. The business may also be DBE eligible as a certified U.S. Small Business Administration 8 (a) program.

**WARNING – FAILURE TO COMPLETE THIS FORM MAY BE CAUSE TO
DISQUALIFY BID AS NOT RESPONSIVE**

SPECIFICATION COMPLIANCE SHEET

BID #: 12-5631 DATE TO BE OPENED: January 26, 2012

DESCRIPTION: Purchase of Two (2) Full Size Vans with Animal Transport Module

If all areas of the bid specifications have been complied with, please indicate so here by circling
"YES".

YES - ALL AREAS OF SPECS MET – NO EXCEPTIONS

VENDORS INDICATED THE FOLLOWING:

MAKE: _____ **MODEL:** _____ **YEAR:** _____

If you have exceeded the referenced specification, please list the areas that you have exceeded
and indicate the Brand Name:

If you have deviated in any area from the referenced specification, please indicate each deviation
here: **"BE SPECIFIC"**

WARRANTY: (Please indicate your warranty here)

Any other pertinent information that you may want to express in reference to the attached
specification:

**IF YOU ARE SUBMITTING ALTERNATE BID(S) PLEASE SEND FORM FOR
EACH AND CLEARLY MARK AS ALTERNATE.**

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Animal Control Van with Transport Module

Sealed Bid #12-5631

NOTE TO BIDDERS: Bidders are advised if awarded the bid any subsequent changes or adjustments to approved specifications **must** be made in writing by the Cobb County Fleet Manager (770-528-2495). Failure to obtain this written approval could result in refusal to accept delivery of vehicle.

NOTE TO VENDORS: Upon delivery of vehicle a Manufacturer's Statement of Origin (MSO) and title must be provided. Vehicles delivered without these documents will be refused. Cobb County 30 day payment period begins at the time the vehicle, these documents, and a dealer's invoice are received. All vehicles must be delivered with temporary dealer tags.

GENERAL: New current year Chevrolet Express 3500 Van with a Mavron AT-350V Animal Transport Conversion, or an approved alternate, with all standard features offered by the manufacturer to include:

SPECIFICATIONS		Comply YES	Comply NO
Ratings			
	Wheel Base - 135 inches		
	Maximum Payload - 3,958 lbs		
	GVWR - 9,600 lbs		
Chassis			
	ZR7 Appearance Package - Chrome Grille, Front and Rear chrome bumpers, and dual composite headlamps.		
	Axle, Front, 4,600 lbs		
	Axle, Rear, 6,340 lbs		
	Brakes, four wheel disc, anti-lock		
	Shock Absorbers, front & rear, heavy duty, gas		
	Fuel Tank - 30 gal		
	Mirrors, left & right, power, heated		
	Springs, Front, 3,700 lbs		
	Springs, Rear, 6,195 lbs		
	Steering, power		
	Stop Light, high mount		
	Tires, five (5), LT245/75R16E, BSW, all season		
	Wheels, five (5), 7.0K, 8 hole		
	Wheel covers, full		

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Power Train		
	6.0L Vortec V-8 Engine (LEV RATING REQUIRED)	
	Clean Fleet Fuel Program Certification	REQUIRED
	Transmission, electric 4-speed automatic, with overdrive, includes auxiliary oil cooler	
	Ratio - 3.73	
Electrical		
	Alternator, 145 amp	
	Battery, 770 CCA w/ rundown protection	
	Daytime Running Lights	
	Engine High Idle Speed Switch - mounted in dash	
Cab Interior		
	Air Bags, Driver/Passenger side	
	Air Conditioning, front	
	Cowl Trim Panels, color keyed	
	Doors, right side, fold out, 60/40 split, no windows	
	Doors, left side, fold out, 60/40 split, no windows	
	Doors, rear, fold out, with windows	
	Engine console cover, color keyed	
	Floor covering (cab only), black vinyl	
	Floor mats, Black, Heavy Duty Rubber - installed	
	Headliner, vinyl (cab only)	
	Power door locks	
	Radio, AM/FM w/clock	
	Seats, cloth, dual bucket w/vinyl trim, inboard armrests	
	Steering wheel, tilt	
	Windows, driver & passenger side, power	
	Windshield Wipers, interval	

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Utility			
	Exterior Color - White Clearcoat		
	Interior Color - Grey		
	Back up camera w/ built in microphone to be installed. Operation of camera - Should only come on automatically when vehicle is placed into REVERSE .	Required	
	One (1) complete set of Factory Maintenance Manuals		
	Six (6) sets of keys to be delivered with vehicle		
Animal Transport Module			
	GENERAL: New current year Mavron AT-350V Animal Transport module, or an approved alternate, with all standard features offered by the manufacturer to include:		
	REQUIRED ENTRY Animal transport Module Manufacturer's name and model number must be entered in space to the right of this block.		
Bulkhead			
	Fabricated from 3/16 inch aluminum tooling plate that follows contour of van		
	Completed bulkhead shall be fastened in place with sheet metal screws		
	Solid bulkhead behind driver's seat to seal off animal section.		
	Driver's side of bulkhead to be carpeted for appearance and to reduce noise transmission.		
Insulation			
	Sidewalls and roof area shall be insulated with spray foam insulation		
Ceiling			
	One piece, .090 inch thick polished aluminum		
	Secured at the point where the van sidewall meets the ceiling in a flat plane from one side of van to the other		
	Ceiling must drop to a point in the center to allow for clearance of recessed interior ceiling lights		

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Floor			
	Exposed floor area covered with polished aluminum tread plate, .100 inch thick. All fasteners shall be either concealed, or flush with floor surface		
	Plywood, 1/2 inch thick, shall be placed under the aluminum tread plate for insulation		
Animal Compartments			
	Lower left and right side stainless steel cage, 30" high by 45" wide by 27" deep, self-draining, removable center divider panel, and two stainless steel doors on each side.		
	Upper left and right side stainless steel cage, 17" high by 45" wide by 27" deep, self-draining, removable center divider panel, and two stainless steel doors on each side.		
	Rear left side area is an open finished cargo area 50" deep by 24" wide by 50" high. Floor is finished with diamond plate aluminum. Walls and ceiling are finished with smooth aluminum sheet.		
	Rear right side area has a dead box on the bottom and two cages on top. Dead box dimensions are 50" deep by 30" high by 24" wide. Dead box pan is mounted on stainless steel sliding tracks. Pan is removeable and has two handles on each side for lifting. Dead box has a dedicated 250cfm exhaust blower exiting through the floor. Two cages above dead box are each 17" high by 25" wide x 24" deep.		
	Underside of cages to be insulated with spray foam insulation to protect interior from exhaust system heat.		
	All cage units have sloped floors to facilitate drainage		
	Cage units are to be sealed to the ceiling, sidewalls, and floor.		
	Upper cage compartment cage divider panesl shall be made from .090 aluminum material.		
	Lower cage compartment cage divider panels shall be made from .125 aluminum material.		
	All cages to be constructed of type 304 2B 22 gauge stainless steel, satin finish material (minimum).		
	Doors to be constructed of 304 18-8 stainless steel material. Perimeter frame of door to be of 3/8" material (minimum), and all vertical rods to be of 1/4" material (1-1/4" spacing maximum).		

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	All cages shall be fully insulated for sound deadening		
	Cage drains shall be made from 1½" PVC material (minimum), leak-proof and drain through floor of van onto ground.		
Van Cabin			
	One desk/file cabinet module shall be installed between the driver and passenger seats (dimensions 19" high by 13" wide by 19" long). The lift-up lid is powder coated aluminum and is 15" wide by 24" long. This cabinet shall be designed to accommodate standard size hanging file folders. The exterior surface of the cabinet shall be carpeted to match the bulkhead material.		
	All add-on electrical components shall be wired independent of the factory electrical circuitry. The wire from the battery to MAVRON'S fuse block is protected with a master fuse, placed in-line, under the hood. An ABS black plastic console attached to the desk/file unit shall hold all the switches and fuses for the add-on circuits.		
Interior Sheeting			
	Interior sidewall panels shall be made from .063 inch thick polished aluminum sheet		
	Door and ceiling panels to be .063 inch thick polished aluminum sheet		
	Aluminum material panels to be installed in one piece on the right side, left side, and ceiling		
	All seams shall be sealed with an adhesive sealant to prevent leakage.		
Storage area and door			
	Storage box for jack, tire tools and miscellaneous equipment to be provided in cab area behind passenger seat		
	Storage box to be 55 inches deep by 13 1/2 inches wide by 12 inches high		
	Hinged lid on top of storage box to provide access to storage compartment from cab area		
Electrical Wiring			
	Master cut off to battery - 8 ga. Battery cable		
	Master cut off switch - 175 amp rating		

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	All circuits to be protected by circuit breakers		
	Power on indicator lamp - wired to master cut off switch		
Interior lights (Animal compartment)			
	Each cage/ compartment to have a light installed		
	On/Off switch located on console in drivers compartment		
Exterior lights			
	One (1) rear loading light, 4 inch by 6 inch, Halogen, on roof at rear of van		
	One (1) front LED Whelen Edge Amber light bar equipped with eight (8) LEDs		
	One (1) rear facing LED minibar, Amber, wired to drivers console		
Thermometer			
	Indoor/outdoor thermometer to be installed in bulkhead		
Rear HVAC heat/cool unit			
	One auxiliary rear heat/cool unit to be installed under the bulkhead seat		
	Capacity: minimum of 32,000 BTU of cooling and 35,000 BTU's of heating with a 40,000 BTU condenser with dual electric fans mounted under the vehicle.		
	Blower motor to produce minimum of 630 CFM of air flow		
Burrs, edges			
	Animal van module to be free of all sharp edges, corners, welding sprawls and fabrication marks		
Wiring Diagrams			
	Two (2) copies of all added circuitry (wiring diagrams) to be provided with unit		
Modular Unit Transfer Capability			
	Animal module unit must be installed with capability of being transferred to another chassis of same make and configuration		

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1	Chevrolet Express 3500 Van with Mavron AT-350V Animal Transport Conversion	2 EACH	\$	\$

Point of Delivery for Vehicle is: Fleet Management Department
1940 County Services Parkway
Marietta, GA 30008
Attention: David George @ 770-528-1112

Company Name: _____