



**ADVERTISEMENT – (LEGAL NOTICE TO BIDDERS)
GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT (GSE) REQUEST FOR BIDS (RFB)**

Bids will be received until 2:00 PM, Local Eastern Time, on December 5, 2024, by the Tri-Cities Airport Authority (TCAA) (Owner) at the Tri-Cities Airport, Blountville, TN, in the Main Terminal Building Board Room 301 (second floor) for furnishing all labor, materials, equipment, and shipping connected with the following GSE:

1. Passenger Boarding Ramp
2. Lavatory Cart
3. Potable Water Cart
4. Baggage Carts (2)

Copies of the required equipment specifications will be available on the Airport's website at <https://flytri.com/business/about-tcaa/construction-development/>.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and/or all proposals/bids, to waive any/all informalities and technicalities in the proposals/bids received, to the extent permitted by applicable law, and to accept any proposals/bids which, in its sole discretion, is in the best interest of the Owner, if permitted by applicable law. All bids must comply with applicable local, state, and federal laws.

Proposals/bids are required to remain open for acceptance or rejection for a period of ninety (90) days after the bid opening. The Owner will notify the successful bidder with a written, Notice of Award, no later than thirty (30) days after bid opening. If the Owner and apparent successful bidder cannot determine a date to furnish the required equipment, within ten (10) days after the Notice of Award is issued and has been received, the Owner may annul the bid. The Owner will provide a Purchase Order to the successful bidder after the December 12, 2024, Board of Commissioners meeting and approval.

Bids must be submitted by email to Chris Stipo, Operations Manager, at cstipo@flytri.com with a subject heading of "Ground Support Equipment RFB" or by mail to the mailing address listed below with the vendor name and project title on the exterior of the envelope. An email contact must be included in each bid. Bids must contain all associated costs, including shipping, and exclude any taxes. The TCAA is a tax exempt entity with the selected bidder being provided a copy of the TCAA State of Tennessee Government Certificate of Exemption.

Please contact Chris Stipo, Operations Manager, at cstipo@flytri.com with any questions.

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