



Bartlett Fire Department

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Request for Proposals Breathing Air Compressor, Cascade, Fill Station, and Installation

Background

Bartlett Fire Department is seeking sealed proposals/bids for the purchase of (1) one breathing air compressor, cascade, fill station and installation. It is the intent of these specifications to select an experienced Contractor for the sale, delivery and installation of (1) one compressed breathing air compressor and related equipment for use by the Bartlett Fire Department.

The majority of funding for this purchase comes from the Federal Department of Homeland Security 2022 Assistance to Firefighters Grant.

Specifications

Purpose

The Purpose of these specifications is to establish the Bartlett Fire Departments minimum acceptable requirements for one fully operational compressed breathing air compressor, cascade, and SCBA fill station containment system, for use by the Bartlett Fire Department.

Abbreviations

The abbreviations and acronyms used in this specification and meaning of each, is as follows:

SCBA	Self- Contained Breathing Apparatus
PSI	Pounds per Square Inch
NFPA	National Fire Protection Association
ASME	American Society of Mechanical Engineers
ASTM	American Society for Testing and Materials
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Requirements

1. The compressor shall be minimum 6000 PSI, 10 horsepower, capable of producing Class D breathing air.
2. SCBA Fill Station/Containment system shall be capable of holding a minimum of three (3) 30-minute, 4500 PSI SCBA cylinders for refilling purposes.
3. One (1) integrated combo CO and moisture monitor.
4. Four (4) 6000 PSI ASME storage cylinders.

Bidders are instructed that these specifications are the minimum acceptable specifications. Any specifications or features that exceed these minimum specifications are to be documented and detailed separately under the heading **ADDITIONAL SPECIFICATIONS**

DETAILS. Anyone who submits specifications that do not meet these minimum requirements will be disqualified.



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Additional Terms and Conditions

The successful bidder must be a factory-authorized distributor and service center to sell the equipment specified.

Training

It is the responsibility of the bidder to deliver and install all items, to make certain that all items are fully operational, and to train the Bartlett Fire Department members in the use of all items. The compressor, cascade system, and SCBA fill station containment system shall be delivered and installed at the Bartlett Fire Station, 90 US Route 302, Glen, NH 03838.

Warranty

Manufacturer and/or contractor warranty specifications should be identified and included with the additional specification details.

Installation

Step up new compressor fill station and bottles in existing location, tie into existing electrical disconnect, perform start-up on unit, bring up online.

Service

The proposal must include a statement that the successful bidder will service the equipment and a pricing structure for annual air testing. All calls for service need to be addressed within seventy- two (72) hours, with the exception of parts not available. The bidder must provide a 24/7 phone number which can be reached if the compressor goes out of service.

Standards

All items shall meet applicable NFPA, ASTM, PSHA and Department of Labor standards for breathing air systems that are in effect at the time of delivery to the Bartlett Fire Department. Items shall be tested for air quality by a third-party laboratory, who shall certify to the Bartlett Fire Department that the standards regarding air quality have been met. This shall include written documentation from the third laboratory.

All Inclusive Price

All costs associated with the equipment specified, including delivery, training, testing shall be included in the bid amount. The Town of Bartlett is tax except and, as such, the proposed price shall not include any federal or state taxes.



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Section 4- Certifications and Assurances

The majority of the funding for the purchases to be made under this RFP comes from the Federal Department of Homeland Security 2022 Assistance to Firefighter Grant. Bidders must comply with the following requirements.

Submission of a bid will represent your company's attestation that it meets, agrees and adheres to the provisions of this section.

A. **Civil Rights Act of 1964-Title VI** Bidders must comply with the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (2 U.S.C. 2000d et seq), which provides that no person in the United States will, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

B. **Debarment and Suspension**. Per Executive Order 12549, Department and Suspension, and implemented at 44 CFR part 67, the bidder certifies that it and its principals are not presently debarred, suspended at proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, sentenced to a denial of Federal department or agency.

C. **Lobbying**. As required by section 1352, Title 31 of the U.S. Code, and implemented at 44 CFR Part 18, the bidder certified that:

- a. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the bidder, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or any employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any Federal grant, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal grant cooperative agreement.
- b. If any other funds than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any other person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or an employee of Congress, or employee of a member of Congress in connection with this Federal Grant or cooperative agreement, the bidder shall complete and submit Stand Form- LLC, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities;", in accordance with its instructions.
- c. The bidder shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subgrants, contracts under grants and cooperative agreements, and subcontracts) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.
- d. The bidder shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subgrants, contracts under grants and cooperative agreements, and subcontractors) and that all and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

D. **Independent Contractor Status**. Vendor shall at all times during the terms of the contract perform the services described as an independent contractor and, as such, is not an employee of the Town of Bartlett for any purpose whatsoever, including for the purpose of coverage under the New Hampshire Workers' Compensation Statute or any other benefits as afforded to town employees.



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Hold Harmless

The Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Bartlett Fire Department and its respective officers, employees, agents, and/or servants against all demands, claims, actions or causes of actions, losses, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses, including without limitation, interest, penalties, court costs and reasonable attorney's fees, against, resultant to, imposed upon or incurred by The Bartlett Fire Department resulting or arising out of

1. Any breach by the Contractor of the terms of the specifications, or
2. Any injuries (including death) sustained by or alleged to have been sustained by the officers, employees, agents and/or servants of The Bartlett Fire Department or the Contractor or subcontractors or material men or
3. Any injuries (including death) sustained by or alleged to have been sustained by any member of the public or otherwise any or all persons or,
4. Any damage to property, real or personal (including property of the Bartlett Fire Department or its respective officers, agents, or servants)

Caused in whole or in part by the acts or omissions of the Contractor, any subcontractor, or any material men or anyone directly or indirectly employed by them while engaged in the performance of any work for the Bartlett Fire Department.

The Contractor shall furnish a certificate of liability insurance for the following insurance coverage within ten (10) days from contract execution. All insurance coverage shall be written with an insurance company licensed to conduct business in the State of New Hampshire. Insurance coverage shall remain in full force for the duration of the contract term, including any and all extensions, at the Contractor's cost and expense. Such certificate of insurance shall specify the Bartlett Fire Department will receive thirty (30) days prior written notice of any cancellation, non-renewal, or reduction in coverage and limits originally provided. All deductibles, if any, are the sole responsibility of the Contractor to pay and/or indemnify. The requirements of this section shall apply to the Contractor and to any and all subcontractors. Umbrella Liability insurance coverage to satisfy the limits of coverage required hereunder is acceptable.

1. Commercial General Liability including Premises-Operations, Independent Contractors, Blanket Contractual, Products and Completed Operations:

\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence Combined Single Limit for personal and advertising injury or property damage or both combined.

2. Comprehensive Automobile Liability covering owned, non-owned, hired or Leased vehicles.

\$1,000,000 Each Accident

Combined Single Limit for bodily injury or property damage or both combined.

3. Workers Compensation Insurance in accordance with New Hampshire state statutes.

Employers Liability Limit- \$500,000 each accident for bodily injury by accident- \$500,000 each employee for bodily injury by disease.



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Proposal Requirements

All costs incurred in the preparation and presentation of this proposal are the vendor's responsibility.

All proposals should contain the following.

- A Table of Contents
- Signed Cover Letter that included at least the following.
 - Company Name
 - Contact Name
 - Mailing Address
 - Telephone Number
 - Email Address
 - Brief Description of company history, ownership information, the year the company was established, the former name(s) of the company if applicable; and the state in which the company is incorporated, if applicable
 - Statement certifying the company meets and adheres to the requirements of Section 5 of the RFP.
- Vendor's qualifications and list of clients.
- Minimum of three (3) references (New Hampshire Fire service preferred)
- Description of equipment, including the standard and certifications that the SCBA meet.
- Description of training for Department personnel.
- Description of service and repair program, facility, and services, including repairs, the annual maintenance program, and the price structure for such.
- Detailed warranty proposal.
- Completed Bid form with price proposal for purchase of the equipment listed in section 2 and any and all other associated costs with meeting the terms of the RFP.
- Trade in form
- Estimated date of equipment delivery from date the contract is executed on.
- Exceptions to specifications: Any exceptions to the specifications above must be outlined on the SCBA specifications sheet and included. Failure to do so will Automatically disqualify the bidder.



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Proposal Submissions

Proposals shall consist of one (1) signed original and one (1) copy, submitted in a sealed envelope plainly marked, **“SEALED COMPRESSED BREATHING AIR COMPRESSOR, CASCADE SYSTEM; and SCBA FILL STATION BID- DO NOT OPEN WITH REGULAR MAIL”**

Bids must be received in the Fire Chief's Office at 90 US Route 302, Glen, NH 03838 or by US Mail at Bartlett Fire Dept, PO Box 104, Glen, NH 03838 no later than **Friday August 4th, 2023, at 4 pm**. Faxed or email bids will NOT be accepted. Bidders are strongly encouraged to submit bids in advance of the due date to avoid the possibility of missing the 4pm deadline due to unforeseen circumstances. Vendors assume the risk of methods of dispatch chosen. The Town of Bartlett assumes no responsibility for delays caused by any package or mail delivery service. Postmarking by the due date and time will be returned unopened. Additional time will not be granted to any vendor. Additional time may be granted to all vendors when the Town of Bartlett determines that circumstances require it.

The Town of Bartlett reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids and to accept minor deviations from the minimum standards specified. The Town of Bartlett reserves itself the exclusive right to accept high bids when it believes it would be in the best interest of the Town of Bartlett. In making such a decision, the Town may consider, but not be limited to, any of the following factors: quality, specifications, availability, compatibility, and interoperability, service and location of bidder and reputation of bidder. The Town of Bartlett Selectmen with the Fire Chief are expected to award the bid at its August 16th meeting.

All questions about this RFP must be submitted via email as follows:

Fire Chief Jeff Currier

Fire.chief@townofbartlettnh.org

Subject line: Compressed Breathing Air Compressor, Cascade System, and SCBA Fill Station Containment System

Section 7- Method of Award

The specifications have not been established to preclude any bidders. However, the Town of Bartlett does not intend to make a decision solely based upon the lowest price, but intends to purchase any apparatus that meets the intentions, service, and needs of the Bartlett Fire Department. When evaluating bids, operational safety of personnel and life cycle cost shall be a major consideration.

Selection of the successful bidder will be based in part upon, but not limited to, analysis of the following criteria:

1. Technical qualities of the proposed equipment
2. Evaluation of the bid and the bidders understanding of the Bartlett Fire Department requirements
3. Ability to meet Service Requirements
4. Cost
5. Timeliness of equipment delivery, with particular emphasis on the air bottles



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Bid Form

In accordance with the specifications, the undersigned submits the following bid to supply and deliver fully operational compressed breathing air compressor, cascade system, and SCBA fill station containment system for use by the Bartlett Fire Department.

BASE BID

- A. Unit Price for all items specified, including delivery, training and testing for the amount of \$_____

Manufacturer: _____

Model/Description: _____

(Attach additional specification details if necessary)

The undersigned states that this bid is made in good faith and is not founded on, or in consequence of any collusion, agreement or understanding between themselves or any other interested party.

BIDDER: _____

BY (Signature): _____

TITLE: _____

TELEPHONE #: _____