



# City of Alcoa Purchasing

223 Associates Blvd., Alcoa, Tennessee 37701

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## INVITATION TO BID

The City of Alcoa will be accepting separate sealed bids for the supply of Duncan Substation Battery Replacement RFB #24256 at the office of the Alcoa Purchasing Agent, 223 Associates Blvd., Alcoa, Tennessee, 37701.

Bids may be submitted via U.S. Mail / UPS / FedEx, etc., hand delivered, or e-mailed to [coasealedbid@cityofalcoa-tn.gov](mailto:coasealedbid@cityofalcoa-tn.gov). Regardless of the mode, the Bidder shall be responsible for the early delivery of their bid. Mailed or hand-delivered Bids should be in a sealed envelope and labeled “**Duncan Substation Battery Replacement RFB #24257 October 14, 2021 at 2:00 pm**”. The subject line of e-mailed bids shall state the same. Bids received after the deadline will be unopened and discarded.

Bids shall be addressed to:

Alcoa Purchasing Agent  
Attn. Larry Harper  
223 Associates Blvd.  
Alcoa, TN 37701

All purchases are F.O.B. City of Alcoa, TN.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid, to accept a Bid containing variations from these specifications if the Bid so merits, to negotiate Bid with the lowest bidder prior to acceptance, and to accept partial Bids. Bids must be submitted on the Bid form issued by the City and must be completed (in ink) and signed accordingly.

The City of Alcoa reserves the right to waive any formality in any bid, to reject any or all bids, and to accept the best bid for the City as determined by City Officials. The City also reserves the right not to enter into any contract as a result of this bid invitation.

Questions regarding this bid may be directed to Larry Harper, Purchasing Agent, via telephone (865) 380-4822 or e-mail [lharper@cityofalcoa-tn.gov](mailto:lharper@cityofalcoa-tn.gov). Any questions regarding this bid shall be submitted no later than 48 hours prior to the bid deadline.

This solicitation has been developed in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 which provides that no person shall, on the grounds of race, sex, age, national origin, or disabling condition, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

Thank you in advance for your interest in doing business with the City of Alcoa.

Sincerely,

Purchasing Agent

## **Bid Evaluation**

In addition to the bid amount, additional factors will be considered as an integral part of the bid evaluation process, including, but not limited to:

- A. The bidder's experience, reputation, efficiency, judgment, and integrity.
- B. The quality, availability and adaptability of the requested products or services.
- C. The bidder's ability to provide future maintenance and/or services.
- D. Any other applicable factors as the City determines necessary and appropriate (which may be requested by the city prior to award).

## **Award of Contract**

The City holds the right, in its judgment, to award the contract to the bidder(s) which it feels is in the best interest of the City. If a contract is to be awarded, the Contractor/Vendor selection shall be based in whole or in part on the bid evaluation noted above. No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of the City of Alcoa.

## **Laws, Permits and Regulations**

The Contractor shall comply with all State and Local laws, ordinances, regulations and requirements applicable to work hereunder. If the Contractor ascertains at any time that any requirement of this Contract is at variance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, or other requirements, she/he shall promptly notify the City of Alcoa in writing.

## **Cancellation of Award**

The City reserves the right to cancel the award of any contract at any time before the execution of such contract by all parties without any liability against the City. The Vendor is advised that if in the event appropriated funds are legitimately unavailable for this product in successive fiscal years, such purchase orders resulting from this bid are null and void.

## **Cooperative Purchasing**

Unless stated otherwise, vendor agrees that it shall be permissible for other governments in Tennessee to purchase these items or services at the same price. Freight charges can be adjusted to reflect differences in delivery costs.

## **Delivery**

The successful Bidder shall contact the Purchasing Agent for delivery instructions. The approved product shall not be shipped under any circumstances without prior delivery instructions.

## **Iran Divestment Act**

By submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that each bidder is not on the list created pursuant to § 12-12-106.

**CITY OF ALCOA, TENNESSEE  
SPECIFICATIONS**

**BID SPECIFICATIONS FOR INSTALLATION, REMOVAL, AND DISPOSAL OF SUBSTATION  
BATTERIES AT DUNCAN SUBSTATION  
COMPLETE WITH THE FOLLOWING MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS**

Bidder shall note any exceptions to the specifications outlined below. Exceptions shall be noted adjacent to the bid item or may be summarized on a sheet attached to the bid.

Bidder Meets  
or Exceeds  
Specifications

YES   NO

**BATTERY**

\_\_\_   \_\_\_   Storage Battery, C&D 3DJ-155 or approved equal with minimum 155AH at the 8 hour rate down to 1.75volts per cell.

\_\_\_   \_\_\_   Flooded Lead Calcium, 60 Cells, Clear PVC jar container with 20 year design life.

\_\_\_   \_\_\_   Container designed and constructed for electrical utility substation type application.

\_\_\_   \_\_\_   The battery is to be supplied with all necessary interconnecting hardware, hydrometer, thermometer, and other accessories necessary for proper installation and maintenance.

\_\_\_   \_\_\_   The battery is to be supplied on site needing no more than a freshening charge being ready to be placed in service.

**RACK**

\_\_\_   \_\_\_   Include battery rack to fit system battery string quoted with minimum seismic rating of zone 2A.

\_\_\_   \_\_\_   Rack must fit into existing area that batteries sit now. Rack must be two step, 7.3 feet long, 16" minimum to 37" maximum depth, and 42" high to top of highest battery. C&D catalog #RDB0803-7.3EP1P or approved equal.

## **SPILL PAN**

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ A spill pan is to be included with the system. The pan should be made of stainless steel material suitable for use with wet cell battery containers.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ The length and width of the pan should be between 3'' and 5'' greater than the dimensions of the rack being provided and shall have a 4'' lip. The pan is to be a maximum of 40'' deep.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ Acid absorbing and neutralizing pillows shall be included.

## **INSTALLATION**

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ Along with equipment, vendor will submit a price for installation of new battery string.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ Existing batteries on site (60 cells of Lead-Acid 4JC-150) and rack will be removed and disposed by awarded party. Batteries shall be palletized and shipped to appropriate disposal facility. Price to include disposal and shipping costs.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ After removal, floor will be cleaned and neutralized where current rack sits.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ 125VDC temporary battery bank will be used during installation so there are no service interruptions to the station. Existing charger on site will be adjusted to proper float and equalize by awarded party.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ Work is to be done during normal business hours TUES-FRI 8-5.

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ Provide copy of Certificate of Disposal.

