



City of Tacoma

Questions and Answers

Explore Electric Fleet Webtools RFI Specification No. PM23-0136F

All interested parties had the opportunity to submit questions in writing by email to Sara Bird, Senior Buyer by July 17, 2023. The answers to the questions received are provided below and posted to the City's website at www.TacomaPurchasing.org. Navigate to [Current Contracting Opportunities](#) / *Services Solicitations*, and then click *Questions and Answers* for this Specification. This information IS NOT considered an addendum. Respondents should consider this information when submitting their proposals.

Question 1: Hoping to get a bit more clarification on the 5th item under the Purpose for this RFI: 5. Fleet program delivery services, are you able to expand on this specific purpose?

Answer 1: Fleet delivery services includes product and services that provide support to Tacoma Power customers looking to electrify their fleets. This includes cost savings calculators, vehicle recommendations, charging strategy recommendations, and/or route management tools. Outputs may be in the form of written or graphical reports that help decision makers work through the costs and benefits, or implementation difficulties, of electrifying their fleets.

Question 2: Is this referring to how our output would be presented to the end fleet?

Answer 2: See above.

Question 3: Will TPU assist their customer in getting their sites to be 'make ready'?

Answer 3: TPU is investigating options to help customers electrify their fleets but does not currently have a make ready program. TPU does help customers looking to electrify fleets navigate our new services program.

Question 4: What is TPU planning to use these responses for?

Answer 4: TPU is planning to launch a fleet electrification program. This RFI will be used to assess tools currently in the marketplace which will help determine products and services offered through the program.

Question 5: Will information from these responses be shared with any TPU Customers?

Answer 5: There is no plan to publicly present RFI results. However, any member of the public may request to review RFI results and any vendor correspondence via a public records request.

Question 6: Is TPU planning to make a qualified vendor/products list?

Answer 6: Not at this time.