



City of Tacoma

## Questions and Answers

### **Power Transformers – 115KV 10/12.5MVA, 15/20/25MVA, AND 24/32/40MVA** RFB Specification No. **PT23-0154F**

All interested parties had the opportunity to submit questions in writing by email to Sara Bird, Senior Buyer by October 30, 2023. The answers to the questions received are provided below and posted to the City's website at [www.TacomaPurchasing.org](http://www.TacomaPurchasing.org). Navigate to [Current Contracting Opportunities](#) / *Supplies 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: Is there any Bonding requirements for this bid? (Bid Bond, Performance Bond, Maintenance Bond)**

Answer 1: No

**Question 2: Would the City of Tacoma be able to grant a 3-week extension in order for to quote all (5) designs required?**

Answer 2: No, Submittal date was extended to November 21, 2023, in Addendum No. 01

**Question 3: What is the must have date for City of Tacoma for these Units?**

Answer 3: Tacoma Power intends to utilize the transformers from this bid beginning in 2025.

**Question 4: Unable to provide FIRM pricing for any transformer given lead times / Market Volatility. We have our own Price Escalation / De-Escalation clause that all of our customers must agree to. Will this be acceptable to the City of Tacoma?**

Answer 4: Bidders may submit their proposed pricing mechanisms (see Section 25.2).

**Question 5: Section 7.2 LTC section. Would city of Tacoma consider other LTC's? for Example Reinhausen?**

Answer 5: No, the City has standardized on ABB UZF type.

**Question 6: City of Tacoma estimated a budget of \$4,000,000 dollars- from recent power transformer bid results we are suggesting that the cost may exceed that amount. If the bids exceed the budget amount - will it be cancelled and rebid?**

Answer 6: No, the City of Tacoma will establish an initial contract value with the selected bidder at the time of award.