

Clarification Questions and Answers (as of March 29th, 2021)

ItB21/02228 Supply of 4 (four) Intervention vehicles for the community-firefighting/voluntary teams /CCDRR – ID Project 00110585

- Question 1: With reference to the sections (compartments) for storing the equipment and endowment of the truck. These compartments can be opened, semi-opened and closed completely. Are the vehicles supposed to have closed compartments, where all the equipment is stored, or can there be other structural changes?
- **Answer 1:** According to the technical specifications, there are required closed compartments, with rigid doors, folding towards the top, with a locking mechanism for preventing accidental closing. Sectional doors (roller shutters) will also be accepted.
- Question 2: When delivering special vehicles, must the foam tanks be filled with solution as well (foam)?
- **Answer 2:** Not required. The foaming solution is not a part of this procurement.
- Question 3: The requirement "Suction hose diameter 125mm, 2 units with a length of 4 m each with STORZ type connections" can be changed for "Suction hose diameter 125mm, 4 units with a length of 2 m each with STORZ type connections"?
- **Answer 3:** According to the technical specifications stipulated in the solicitation documents, Annex 5a: Schedule of Requirements and Technical Specifications/Bill of Quantities Section VII. Technical Specifications, position 4 from chapter "Special devices in the endowment of the truck", it is required 2 pcs. of hose of 4 meter each per one intervention vehicle (respectively 2 pcs. of hose x 4 vehicles = total 8 pcs. of hose). The option of 4 pcs. of hose of 2 meter each per vehicle could be considered provided argumentation, however, the preference will be given to the requirement stipulated in the solicitation document.

- Question 4: What quantity is it required for discharge hose, diameter 51 mm, 77 mm? Or should the bidder present the offer according to the production plant?
- **Answer 4:** The quantities required for one vehicle are indicated in the specification document, column 4. For one intervention vehicle it is required: discharge hose Ø 51 mm (20 m) 8 pcs.; discharge hose Ø 77 mm (20 m) 4 pcs.; adapter 51x77 with STORZ type connections 2 pcs.; distributor 77x51x51 with STORZ type connections 1 pcs.
- Question 5: Is the required equipment for volunteer firefighters helmet, boots, gloves, protective a part of this procurement process?
- **Answer 5:** Yes. Equipment needed for firefighters and volunteers is a part of this procurement process and should be included in the total price.
- Question 6: Are payments performed at import in Moldova deductible or non-deductible of VAT and other taxes?
- **Answer 6:** As an inter-governmental organization, the UN is exempt from payment of taxes and duties for its purchases. Correspondingly, the procurement of goods under this tender will be exempted from VAT and other taxes at import in Moldova.
- Question 7: In the ITB document, under Section 5b, you have mentioned that "Customs, if required, clearing shall be done by: supplier". Please confirm the customs, if required clearing shall be done by the contracting authority or the beneficiary.
- **Answer 7:** According to Incoterms, Delivered-at-place (DAP) is an international trade term used to describe a deal in which a seller agrees to pay all costs and suffer any potential losses of moving goods sold to a specific location. Delivered-at-place simply means that the seller takes on all the risks and costs of delivering goods to an agreed-upon location.

Customs clearance if required shall be done by the contractor and UNDP will provide a customs clearance letter.

Question 8: Does UNDP has any preference for any model, brand of the solicited goods?

Answer 8: Procurement requirements are clearly defined in the solicitation document Annex 5a: Schedule of Requirements and Technical Specifications / Bill of Quantities. UNDP does not have any preference for any model, brand of the solicited goods.

Question 9: Regarding the acceptance of length more than 6500 mm

Answer 9: A deviation within the margin of \pm 5% is acceptable

Question 10: Regarding the acceptance of chassis rated GVW more than 8500 kgs

Answer 10: A deviation within the margin of \pm 5% is acceptable

Question 11: Regarding the tank required to be polymeric. Can a tank made of polypropylene be proposed instead of polymeric?

Answer 11: The tank can be made of polypropylene. Attention should be drawn to the quality of the execution of the welds, for which there must be a certificate of testing/compliance etc.

Question 12: Regarding the acceptance emission using low Sulphur diesel instead of Euro 5

Answer 12: The engine must be compatible for the use of diesel with a sulfur content below 10 mg / kg.

Question 13: Regarding the acceptance of delivery more than 120 days

Answer 13: Required delivery timeline has been estimated accordingly upon procurement process preparation. Should the bidder not comply with the required delivery terms, it is advised to submit an argumentation letter stating the minimum proposed delivery terms and rationale.

Question 14: Request for an extension at least 10 days from the closing date

Answer 14: The decision regarding the extension will be taken on the day of the deadline. In case of extension, you will be informed additionally. Still, we encourage you to try to fit within the competition terms.