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24102000 Shelving and Storage
24110000 Containers and Storage
24112400 Storage Chests and Cabinets and Trunks
48102100 Storage and Handling Equipment and Supplies
56101530 Storage Cabinets
31330000 Fabricated Structural Assemblies

Date and Time Bids are Due: March 2, 2016, no later than 3 p.m. Eastern Time



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SOLICITATION INTRODUCTION

Listed below are important things to keep in mind when responding to a solicitation for the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

- a. **Read the *entire* document.** Note critical items such as: mandatory requirements; bond(s) requirements (bid, performance and/or damages); sample(s) required; supplies/services required; submittal dates; number of copies required for submittal; funding amount and source; and contract requirements (e.g., contract performance security, insurance requirements, performance and/or reporting requirements, etc.).
- b. **Note the Procurement Officer's name, address, phone number(s) and e-mail address.** This is the ***only*** person you are allowed to communicate with regarding the solicitation and is an excellent source of information for any questions you may have.
- c. **Attend the pre-bid conference, if one is scheduled.** See Section 2.5, Calendar of Events. Pre-bid conferences are scheduled as-needed.
- d. **Take advantage of the “question and answer” period.** Submit your questions to the Procurement Officer by the due date listed in Section 2.5 CALENDAR OF EVENTS, and view the answers given in the formal “addenda” issued for the solicitation. Also see Section 2.7 ADDENDA.
- e. **Follow the format required in the Solicitation** when preparing your response. Provide point-by-point responses to the required sections in a clear and concise manner and do not skip or miss sections.
- f. **Provide complete answers/descriptions.** Read and answer **all** questions and requirements. Don't assume the Department or evaluation committee (if applicable) will know what your company's capabilities are or what items/services you can provide, even if you have previously contracted with the Department. The bids are reviewed based solely on the information and materials provided in your response.
- g. **Use the forms provided.** For example: Certification forms; Price Bid forms; Savings/Discount/Price Reduction; Customer References; etc., if any are included in this solicitation.
- h. **Review and read the solicitation document again** to make sure that you have addressed all requirements. Your original response and the requested copies must be identical and be complete. At least one copy must bear an original signature.
- i. **Submit your response on time.** Note all of the dates and times listed in the Calendar of Events and within the document, and be sure to submit all required items on time. Faxed, emailed or late bid responses are ***never*** accepted.

1.0 PURPOSE AND GENERAL OVERVIEW

1.1 PURPOSE

The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (Department) is issuing this Invitation to Bid (ITB) to establish a contract for the supply and fabrication of cargo storage boxes with related parts and accessories for the Florida Highway Patrol's (FHP) sport utility vehicles (SUV).

The Contract resulting from this solicitation will require, but not be limited to, fabrication of vehicle cargo storage boxes with a code locking weapons storage drawer to secure a shotgun and rifle in order to prevent theft and enhance public safety, and partitions to function within multi-vehicle platforms to properly fit and be secured in any FHP vehicle.

1.2 DEFINITIONS

- A. **Authorized Representative:** The owner, corporate officer, or director of the Vendor authorized to legally bind it in a contractual obligation. A document establishing delegated authority must be included with the bid submission, if signed by other than the Authorized Representative.
- B. **Bid:** All information and materials submitted by a Bidder in response to this solicitation.
- C. **Cargo Storage Box:** A fabricated box installed within FHP vehicles utilized to safely and securely store equipment, gear and weapons.
- D. **Contract:** The formal written agreement executed by the Successful Bidder and the Department containing all terms and conditions applicable to any purchase to be made as a result of this ITB. (The terms "contract" and "purchase order" are intended to be used interchangeably herein.)
- E. **CVE:** Commercial Vehicle Enforcement; a division within the Florida Highway Patrol.
- F. **Contractor:** The Bidder who is awarded a contract by the Department as a result of this solicitation.
- G. **Day:** A calendar day, unless otherwise specified.
- H. **Department:** Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.
- I. **Equipment Failure:** A malfunction in equipment maintained by the vendor that delays or prevents the State's productive use of said equipment for the purposes for which the equipment was installed.
- J. **Fabricate:** To design, create and manufacture to specification.
- K. **FHP:** Florida Highway Patrol; a division within the Department.
- L. **ITB:** Invitation to Bid.
- M. **Materials:** Items utilized to create and manufacture a product. For the purposes of this solicitation, reference to materials shall be the materials utilized in manufacture of cargo storage boxes.

- N. **Number of Verbs or Nouns:** Throughout this solicitation, the singular may be read as the plural and the plural as the singular.
- O. **Purchase Order:** The purchasing document memorializing and/or incorporating the terms and conditions of the purchase issued by the Department via the eProcurement system. See PUR Form 1000, paragraph 2. (Note: The terms “Purchase Order” and “Contract” are intended to be utilized interchangeably herein, although a purchase order is not “executed” by the parties.)
- P. **State:** State shall be synonymous with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.
- Q. **Subcontractor:** Any person, other than an employee of the contractor, who performs any of the services listed in this solicitation for compensation paid by the Contractor. See solicitation to determine whether subcontracting is permitted.
- R. **SUV:** Sport Utility Vehicle.
- S. **Vendor:** Any firm or person who submits a bid to the Department in response to this solicitation. (NOTE: The terms “Bidder,” “Vendor” and “Contractor” may be utilized herein interchangeably.)
- T. **Weapon:** A thing designed or used for inflicting bodily harm or physical damage. For the purposes of this solicitation, reference to weapon means “rifle” or “shotgun”. “Gun” is typically interpreted as a handgun. (NOTE: The words “gun” or “weapon” may be used interchangeably.)

Also see links provided in this solicitation for additional definitions in PUR 1000, Paragraph 1, and PUR 1001, Paragraph 1.

1.3 PROCUREMENT OFFICER

The Procurement Officer, acting on the behalf of the Department, is the sole point-of-contact with regard to all procurement matters relating to this solicitation. All questions and requests for clarification are to be directed to:

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Subsection 287.057(23), Florida Statutes (Fla. Stat.), requires that respondents to this solicitation or persons acting on their behalf may not contact, between the release of the solicitation and the end of the seventy-two (72) hour period following the agency posting of the notice of intended award (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays), any employee or officer of the executive or legislative branch concerning any aspect of this solicitation, except in writing to the Procurement Officer or as provided in the solicitation documents. Violation of this provision may be grounds for rejecting a bid response. Also see Section 2.14 DISCUSSIONS.

1.4 TERM

The contract term shall be for a period of five (5) years from the date of issuance of the purchase order, unless terminated earlier by the Department under the terms provided herein, with the option to renew for a period of up to five (5) years.

Renewal may be structured as a single five (5) year term, five (5) one (1) year terms, or any combination totaling no more than five (5) years. Exercise of the renewal option is at the Department's discretion and will be contingent upon satisfactory service, and subject to annual appropriation by the State Legislature (See, subsection 287.057(13), Fla. Stat.).

The Department will issue a purchase order to the successful Bidder in order to enter the purchase into the state's accounting and purchasing databases. The Department may also require the successful Bidder to execute a formal contract document that will be incorporated in and attached to the purchase order.

2.0 ITB PROCESS OVERVIEW

2.1 GENERAL OVERVIEW

The ITB is a method of competitively soliciting a commodity or contractual service under paragraph 287.057(1)(a) Fla. Stat., and awarding a contract to the bidder submitting the lowest (cost) responsive and responsible bid. The Department posts an ITB on the Vendor Bid System (VBS) to initiate the process.

2.2 BIDDER QUESTIONS

Questions related to this ITB must be received in writing, via email, by the Procurement Officer listed in Section 1.3 PROCUREMENT OFFICER above, within the time indicated in Section 2.5 CALENDAR OF EVENTS. **Questions must reference DHSMV 012-016 ITB in the subject line of the e-mail.**

Responses to questions will be posted on the Vendor Bid System (VBS) on or about the date referenced in Section 2.5 CALENDAR OF EVENTS. Also see Section 2.7 ADDENDA.

2.3 VALUE ANALYSIS AND CHANGES TO SPECIFICATIONS

The Department is always interested in reducing product/service costs while preserving or improving the usefulness of the product/service for its intended purpose.

Bidders are encouraged, but not required, to perform a process of value analysis of the item(s) bid, and to offer suggestions for changes to product/service specifications or contract terms and conditions. In analyzing an item or service, the following steps are suggested:

List the materials and processes involved in manufacture, packaging and delivery.

For each material or process, consider:

Does its use contribute to value?

Is its cost proportionate to its usefulness?

Does it need all of its features?

Is a lower cost alternative of adequate quality available?

Bidders are encouraged to present their suggestions for changes to the solicitation as early as possible before the bid submittal date, so that suggestions may be fully considered and, if appropriate, addenda modifying the solicitation may be timely issued to all prospective Bidders.

Suggested change(s) to specifications, terms, or conditions should be clearly stated, along with an assessment of the impact of the change(s) on the usefulness of the product/services, production or delivery cost(s), use costs, and appropriateness of the terms and conditions in protecting the rights of the parties. Include pros and cons.

The Department reserves the right to reject any and all suggested changes without explanation, and/or to accept any suggested change(s) which meet(s) the Department's needs at an anticipated lower cost of production, delivery, or use than the original specifications, terms and conditions would otherwise provide.

2.4 BID OPENING

The Department will hold a public opening of the bids at the date, time and location indicated in Section 2.5 CALENDAR OF EVENTS.

2.5 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The table below contains the Calendar of Events for this solicitation. Bidders should become familiar with the Calendar of Events. The dates and times within the Calendar of Events may be subject to change. It is the Bidder's responsibility to check for any changes. All changes to the Calendar of Events will be through an addendum to the solicitation. Bidders are responsible for submitting all required documentation by the dates and times indicated below (Eastern Time). The Department will not consider late documents.

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
02/03/16		Solicitation issued.
02/17/16	3:00 p.m.	All questions and/or proposed changes to the solicitation must be submitted in writing to the Procurement Officer.
02/24/16		Anticipated date that responses to written inquiries and proposed changes, if required, will be posted on the VBS.
03/02/16	3:00 p.m.	Bids are due.
03/02/16	3:30 p.m.	Public Bid Opening <u>Location</u> Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles Bureau of Purchasing and Contracts 2900 Apalachee Parkway, MS 31 Tallahassee, Florida 32399
03/22/16		Anticipated date of posting of Intent to Award.
04/01/16		Anticipated contract start date.

2.6 PROTEST OF TERMS, CONDITIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS

With respect to a protest of the terms, conditions, or specifications contained in this solicitation, including any provisions governing the methods of awarding contracts, or modifying or amending any contract, a notice of intent to protest shall be filed in writing **within** seventy-two (72) hours after the posting of the solicitation. (See, section 120.57, Fla. Stat.) For purposes of this provision, the term “the solicitation” includes this ITB, any addendum, response to written questions, clarification or other document concerning the terms, conditions, or specifications of the solicitation.

2.7 ADDENDA

If the Department deems it necessary to supplement, modify, or interpret any portion of the solicitation or exhibits, addenda and materials relative to this procurement, it will be posted on the Vendor Bid System at:

http://vbs.dms.state.fl.us/vbs/search.criteria_form

Written answers to questions received by the Department will become part of this solicitation. It is the responsibility of the Bidder to check the VBS for new or changing information.

2.8 DISCLOSURE OF BID CONTENTS

All documentation produced as part of the ITB will become the exclusive property of the Department and will not be returned to the Bidder unless it is withdrawn prior to the bid opening in accordance with Section 2.9 MODIFICATION OR WITHDRAWAL OF BID.

The Department shall have the right to use any and all ideas or adaptations of ideas contained in any bid received in response to this solicitation. Selection or rejection of the bid will not affect this right.

2.9 MODIFICATION OR WITHDRAWAL OF BID

Bidders may modify a bid at any time prior to the bid due date by sending the modified response to the Procurement Officer. A bid may be withdrawn by notifying the Procurement Officer in writing before the bid opening.

2.10 DIVERSITY

The Department is dedicated to fostering the continued development and economic growth of minority, veteran, and women-owned businesses. Participation of a diverse group of Bidders doing business with the State is central to the Department’s efforts. To this end, small minority, veteran-owned, and women-owned business enterprises are encouraged to participate in the State’s procurement process as both prime Bidders and subcontractors under prime contracts.

2.11 NON – EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS

The right to provide the commodities or services, which will be granted under the resultant Contract shall not be exclusive. The Department reserves the right to contract for and purchase commodities or services from as many firms as it deems necessary without infringing upon or terminating the resultant contract.

2.12 BID TENURE

All bids are binding for one hundred eighty (180) days following the bid opening date.

2.13 ACCESSIBILITY FOR DISABLED PERSONS

If special accommodations are needed to attend any solicitation-related event open to the public, please advise the Bureau of Purchasing and Contracts at 850-617-3203 no later than five (5) business days prior to the event.

2.14 DISCUSSIONS

Prior to the Department determining whether bids have been submitted in accordance with the requirements of this solicitation, any discussion by the Bidder with an employee or authorized representative of the Department involving cost information will result in rejection of said Bidder's response.

No negotiations, decisions, or actions shall be initiated or executed by a Bidder as a result of any discussion with any state employee. Only those communications which are in writing from the Bureau of Purchasing and Contracts may be considered as a duly authorized expression on behalf of the Department.

2.15 SOLICITATION CONFLICTS AND ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

All bids are subject to the terms of the following sections of this ITB which, in case of conflict, shall have the following order of precedence:

- A. Addenda, in reverse order of issuance
- B. Invitation to Bid, including attachments
- C. General Contract Conditions (Form PUR 1000) (Section 8.1)
- D. General Instructions to Respondents (Form PUR 1001) (Section 4.1)

3.0 SCOPE OF SERVICES

3.1 GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

The Contractor will provide the Department cargo storage boxes meeting all specifications of this solicitation with related parts and accessories for FHP SUV's. The cargo storage boxes will be utilized in all vehicles supporting the Patrol and the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement (CVE) unit.

3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

See Exhibit 1 for Cargo Storage Box Illustrations. These illustrations are part of the technical specification requirements.

Note: The word "plate" referenced on each cargo storage box illustration should not be confused with the spare tire access plate. Also, the words "gun" or "weapon" may be used interchangeably. "Gun" is typically interpreted as a handgun. For this solicitation, weapon means "rifle" or "shotgun."

All cargo storage boxes shall meet or exceed the specifications described in this section. Before the Contractor fabricates a cargo storage box, the Contractor shall e-mail the Contract Manager the measurements and all other applicable specifications relating to parts, accessories, or materials, and

brand (where applicable), for review and approval within ten (10) days of purchase order issuance. The Contract Manager will provide its approval, or suggested revisions in writing within five (5) days.

A. Cargo Storage Box #1 for FHP SUV

1) At a minimum, materials to be utilized, include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. Made of .80 Aluminum
- b. Simplex Push Button Locks (or equal or better quality)
- c. CamLocker Keyed T-Handle Locks
- d. Weapon Foam in Top Drawer
- e. Commercial or automotive grade carpet in bottom drawers
- f. Powder-coated matte black

2) Design Specifications

Cargo storage box overall dimensions: 40”w x 23”D x 20”H.

- a. An electronics and storage basket shall be located on top of the weapon storage drawer.
- b. The electronics and storage basket must have a removable plate covering 2/3 for electronic equipment located on the left side of the basket. Dimensions: 27”W x 23”D.
- c. The top drawer shall be a weapon(s) storage drawer with a push button lock (see Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item D). Dimensions: 43”W x 23”D x 6”H. Weapon form (see Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item A., 1., d.) shall be sized to fit the entire dimensions of the drawer.
- d. The bottom two (2) drawers are for storage with keyed locks (see Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item D.). Drawers must be removable. Dimensions: 20”W x 23”D x 10”H (each drawer).
- e. Drawer locking handles: Austin Hardware EMC 13-8400 SSR Lock U-Cam Water seal with H545 (equivalent or better would be accepted).
- f. Drawer Slides: Austin Hardware HT 4932-24 (equivalent or better would be accepted).
- g. The cargo storage box shall be powdered-coated matte black on the outside, at a minimum.

B. Cargo Storage Box #2 for FHP SUV Patrol

1) At a minimum, materials to be utilized, include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. Made of .80 Aluminum
- b. Simplex Push Button Locks (or equal or better quality)
- c. CamLocker Keyed T-Handle Locks
- d. Weapon Foam in Top Drawer
- e. Commercial or automotive grade carpet in bottom drawers
- f. Powder-coated matte black

2) Design Specifications

Cargo storage box overall dimensions: 40" w x 23" D x 26" H.

- a. An electronics and storage basket shall be located on top of the weapon storage drawer.
- b. The electronics and storage basket must have a removable plate covering 2/3 for electronic equipment located on the left side of the basket. Dimensions: 27" W x 23" D
- c. The top drawer shall be a weapon storage drawer with a push button lock. Dimensions: 43" W x 23" D x 6" H. Weapon form (see Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item B., 1., d.) shall be sized to fit the entire dimensions of the drawer.
- d. The bottom two (2) drawers are for storage with keyed locks (see Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item D.). Drawers must be removable. Dimensions: 20" W x 23" D x 10" H (each drawer).
- e. Open storage area under bottom drawers for storage. Dimensions: 40" W x 23" D x 6" H. There shall be a 2" lip at the bottom of the storage area to prevent items from sliding out during motion.
- f. Drawer locking handles: Austin Hardware EMC 13-8400 SSR Lock U-Cam Water seal with H545 (equivalent or better would be accepted).
- g. Drawer slides: Austin Hardware HT 4932-24 (equivalent or better would be accepted).
- h. The cargo storage box shall be powder-coated matte black on the outside, at a minimum.
- i. The cargo storage box will have a spare tire access plate to replace the original equipment manufacturer spare tire panel (see Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item H.).

C. Cargo Storage Box #3 w/Scale Rack Boxes for FHP SUV CVE

1) At a minimum, materials to be utilized, include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. Made of .80 Aluminum
- b. Simplex Push Button Locks (or equal or better quality)
- c. CamLocker Keyed T-Handle Locks
- d. Weapon Foam in Top Drawer
- e. Commercial or automotive grade carpet in bottom drawers
- f. Powder-coated matte black

2) Design Specifications

Cargo storage box overall dimensions: 40" w x 23" D x 28" H.

- a. An electronics and storage basket shall be located on top of the weapon storage drawer.
- b. The basket on top has plate covering 2/3 for electronic equipment.

Dimensions: 27"W x 23"D x 4"H.

The top drawer is a weapon storage drawer with a push button lock (see Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item D.). Dimensions: 43"W x 23"D x 6"H. Weapon form (see Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item C., 1., d.) shall be sized to fit the entire dimensions of the drawer.

- c. The bottom two (2) drawers are for storage with keyed locks (see Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item D.). Dimensions: 20"W x 23"D x 10"H each drawer and drawers must be removable.
- d. Weight scale storage (four (4) scales) under bottom drawers
Dimensions: 17"W x 23"D x 4"H.
Extending slides to hold scales, four (4) scale compartments
- e. Drawer Locking Handles: Austin Hardware EMC 13-8400 SSR Lock U-Cam Water seal with H545 (equivalent or better would be accepted).
- f. Drawer Slides: Austin Hardware HT 4932-24 (equivalent or better would be accepted).
- g. The cargo storage box shall be powder-coated matte black on the outside, at a minimum.

3) Scale Dimensions

- a. Length and width is from end to end and side to side
- b. Height is at the handle end
15.5"W x 38"L x 3"H
- c. See Exhibit 2 for the Operator's Manual for further details.

D. Storage Box Lock Mechanisms

In addition to Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, the Contractor shall provide the following for each cargo storage box:

- 1) Drawer Keys
Two (2) sets of keys for each key lock handle on each drawer. All drawer locks are to be keyed alike for each cargo box, but each cargo box's key locks will be different and unique from other cargo boxes. The Contractor shall tape the drawer keys inside a cargo storage box drawer.
- 2) Push Button Code Locks
The Contractor shall deliver cargo storage boxes "unlocked" with written instructions on how to program the mechanism.

E. Mounting

The Contractor shall fabricate predrilled mounting brackets or mounting solution parts which utilize the vehicles manufacturer's existing cargo tie-down mounts or hardware and structure points. If a specific vehicle will not allow for this requirement, a mounting solution must be provided that includes ease of installation and ensures drilling points will be clear of vehicle areas of wiring, fuel systems, lighting and safety equipment.

Before the Contractor fabricates the mounting solution parts, the Contractor shall e-mail the Contract Manager the measurements and any other applicable specifications for review and approval within ten (10) days of purchase order issuance. The Contract Manager will provide its approval, or suggested revisions in writing within five (5) days.

F. Hinges and/or Slides

The drawer hinges and/or slides contained within each cargo storage box must support a minimum weight of 125 lbs. The slides must be rated heavy duty or commercial grade in order to support the weight carried inside each drawer and to prevent drawer sag when fully extended. The drawers, when fully loaded, must not scrape the drawer frame and must move freely during opening and closing. Hinges and slides must be cable of 50,000 opening/closing cycles with a 125 lbs., before slide failure.

G. Partition

The Contractor shall fabricate a partition for each cargo storage box. Bidders are herein notified that partitions may not be ordered with each storage box order placed, but may be ordered as an accessory which can be added at any time after the purchase by bolt on method by attaching the partition to the back of the cargo storage box. The partition must be specific in design to align and conform to the interior (roof and quarter panels) of each vehicle being utilized by the FHP. See Exhibit 1 – Cargo Storage Box and Partitions Illustrations, for sample design.

1) Materials to be utilized to fabricate the partition:

- a. Made of .80 Aluminum
- b. Powder-coated matte black

Before the Contractor fabricates partitions, the Contractor shall e-mail the Contract Manager the measurements and any other applicable specifications herein for review and approval within ten (10) days of purchase order issuance. The Contract Manager will provide its approval, or suggested revisions in writing within five (5) days.

H. Spare Tire Access Plate

The Contractor shall fabricate a spare tire access plate for cargo storage box #2 only, as indicated in Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item B. The cargo storage box must not interfere with access or use of the spare tire equipment in any vehicles in which the cargo storage boxes are installed.

Special attention should be paid to the Ford Utility Police Interceptor. The spare tire access plate will be attached and hinged to the lower bottom lip of the box, taking the place of the manufacturer's spare tire floor cover. The spare tire access plate must support 125 lbs., at a minimum. See Exhibit 1 – Cargo Storage Box and Partition Illustrations.

1) Materials to be utilized to fabricate the spare tire access plate:

- a. Made of .80 Aluminum or other metal capable of supporting 125 lbs.
- b. Powder-coated matte black

Before the Contractor fabricates the spare tire access plate, the Contractor shall e-mail the Contract Manager the measurements and any other applicable specifications for review and

approval within ten (10) days of purchase order issuance. The Contract Manager will provide its approval, or suggested revisions in writing within five (5) days.

Dependent on future vehicle acquisitions, and manufacturer vehicle design changes, should a spare tire access plate be required for cargo storage box #1, it will be handled in accordance with Section 3.7 ADDITIONS/DELETIONS.

I. Current FHP Vehicles Utilized

Below is a list of current vehicles utilized by the Department. Bidders are hereby notified that changes in the Department’s fleet complement may occur at any time and this list is subject to change during the initial term and subsequent years of the Contract. (See, Section 3.7 ADDITIONS/DELETIONS.)

- 1) 2016 or Newer Ford Utility Police Interceptor
- 2) 2016 or Newer Ford Expedition
- 3) 2015 or Newer Chevy Tahoe

Dependent on present and future vehicle acquisitions, the Department will identify the vehicle type(s) on all orders placed for cargo storage boxes in order to assist the Contractor in meeting the requirements of Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item M.

J. Fitment of Boxes

The Contractor shall ensure proper and correct fitment of the cargo storage boxes into the cargo area of all three (3) vehicles currently being utilized by the FHP. The measurements identified in each example cargo storage box illustration are only to serve as a guide based on the Department’s research and should not be considered exact or finite measurements.

The overall height of the cargo storage boxes should be as close to the illustrations as possible, as the intent is not to impede line of sight out of the back window. The width of the cargo storage boxes should be as close to the illustrations as possible as the intent is to be able to place the cargo storage boxes between the wheel wells of each vehicle currently being utilized by the FHP.

The placement on top and width of 43” for the weapon storage is to allow the box to be wide enough to accommodate the Remington 870 Shotgun and the AR15 Rifle. The depth of the cargo storage boxes should be as close to the illustrations as possible, as the intent is to be able to place the box into the cargo area in a manner that will not interfere with access to the spare tire compartment. The spare tire cover should secure to the box and extend towards the lift gate covering the spare tire opening in a manner equal to the manufacturer’s cover.

K. Estimated Quantities

The Contractor shall provide the Department approximately one hundred fifteen (115) cargo storage boxes during the initial year of the Contract. Specific models and corresponding models are indicated below:

#1	FHP SUV	Ford Expeditions	w/o spare tire access plate	35
#2	FHP SUV Patrol	Ford Utility Police Interceptor	w/spare tire access plate	55
#3	FHP SUV CVE	Chevrolet Tahoes	w/scale rack boxes	25
			Total cargo storage boxes	115
			Bolt On Partitions	56

This estimated quantity is subject to change for the initial year depending on the legislatively approved budget, and may require increased or decreased quantities in order to support vehicle acquisitions.

L. Warranty

Warranty against defects in manufacturing for each fabricated cargo storage box, or any of its related parts, accessories, or materials, will be for a minimum of five (5) years from the receipt of delivery.

Warranty against broken or faulty aluminum welding will be for a minimum of five (5) years from the receipt of delivery. Warranty for defective drawer slides, locking handles, and weapons storage drawer locks will be a minimum of five (5) years from the receipt of delivery.

Due to the nature of use with operational equipment placed inside and the installation of the cargo storage boxes into the vehicles, the Department may request the Contractor to make repairs to cargo storage box, or any of its related parts, accessories, or materials, at the applicable field FHP troop location at no expense to the Department, due to the sensitive nature of the operational equipment and the need to secure the vehicle at all times. Sublet repair may only be approved by the Contract Manager.

M. Contractor's FHP Vehicle Research

The Contractor shall be responsible for researching FHP vehicle specifications prior to fabricating any cargo storage boxes, mounting solutions, partitions, or any other related parts or accessories to ensure no damage or interference occurs to other vehicle specifications or functionality during installation.

Should the Contractor find a potential vehicle specification and/or functionality issue with the fabrication or installation as mentioned above, the Contractor shall provide the Contract Manager its findings for review, with proposed solutions in writing. The Contract Manager will provide its approval or suggested revisions within five (5) days.

If the Contractor fails to timely advise the Contractor Manager of any potential damage or interference issues discovered, the Contractor shall be responsible for the vehicle damage/repairs associated with the installation of the fabricated items.

3.3 PACKING, SHIPPING AND DELIVERY

- A. The Contractor shall be responsible for properly packing shipments. Packing materials consist of items utilized to securely and properly pack tangible products for shipment, storage and stocking.
- B. Upon issuance of the purchase order, the Contractor must deliver a minimum of twenty (20) fully-assembled cargo storage boxes with associated parts and accessories, as applicable, per week, until the order is fulfilled in its entirety. The Contractor shall notify the Department's Contract Manager within five (5) days of purchase order issuance of any potential delays.

- C. All cargo boxes shall be shipped and delivered directly to:

Florida Highway Patrol
ATTENTION: Lt. Wooster Woodward
Central Install Facility
3646 CR 220
Middleburg, FL 32068
904-291-5523
woosterwoodward@flhsmv.gov

- D. Any or all items delivered to the Department not meeting the specifications of this solicitation and Contract, or that are found to be defective, will not be accepted. Such items will be returned to the Contractor at the Contractor's expense for refund or replacement. Since it is impossible for the Department to inspect all items upon arrival, the Contractor shall afford a reasonable opportunity for inspection and returning of defective items.
- E. Deliveries shall be made between 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding state holidays, unless otherwise stated on a purchase order.
- F. Inside warehouse door delivery is required for all shipments. The Contractor will be responsible for the following, where applicable:
1. Require freight carriers to have lift-gate capabilities;
 2. Mark waybills with "INSIDE DELIVERY REQUIRED";
 3. Require delivery drivers to unload all shipments; and
 4. Have the necessary tools or equipment to unload pallets or boxes.

Department employees will not be responsible for unloading shipments. The Department reserves the right to reject a delivery should inside delivery not be in accordance with these terms. The Contractor accepts full responsibility for the rejected delivery, and timely redelivery, within five (5) working days, in accordance with these terms.

3.4 SILENCE OF SPECIFICATIONS

The apparent silence of specifications included herein on any details, or the omission from them of a detailed description, concerning any point, shall be regarded as meaning that only the best commercial practices are to prevail and that only materials and workmanship of best quality are to be used. All interpretations of this Contract shall be made upon the basis of this statement.

3.5 MINORITY AND SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE REPORT

The Contractor shall provide to the Contract Manager a monthly Minority and Service-Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Report summarizing the participation of certified and non-certified minority and service-disabled veteran subcontractors/material suppliers performing any services related to the Contract/purchase for the current month, and project-to-date.

This report shall be due by the 5th day of the following month (or next business day if the 5th day is on a weekend day or holiday) and shall include the names, addresses and dollar amount of each certified and non-certified Minority Business Enterprise and Service-Disabled Veteran Enterprise participant. The report may be submitted by electronic copy to the Department's Contract Manager. The State of Florida's Office of Supplier Diversity may be reached at 850-487-0915 and can assist in furnishing names of qualified minorities.

3.6 CONTRACTOR'S STAFF/EMPLOYEES

The Contractor shall not permit any individual to provide services under or related to this Contract who is under the supervision or jurisdiction of any parole, probation, or correctional authority. Persons under any such supervision may work for other elements of the Contractor's organization that are independent of this the services to be provided under this Contract.

The objective of this provision is to prevent any individual under any such legal constraint from having knowledge or information related to the firearm locking mechanisms. This is a potential safety risk both to Troopers and members of the public should such individual have knowledge or information of the firearm locking mechanisms such as how to dismantle the lock.

3.7 ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

The Department reserves the right to delete any item from the Contract, when deemed to be in the state's best interest. It also reserves the right to add any item within the scope of the Contract, which shall include, but not be limited to, other storage boxes that may differ in dimensions or design, or spare tire access plates for cargo storage boxes that presently do not require a spare tire access plate but may do so in the future due to manufacturer vehicle design changes. Pricing shall be comparable to the amounts paid under the Contract. These additions or deletions will be incorporated via an amendment to the Contract.

3.8 DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

The Department will provide technical support and assistance to the Contractor within the resources available to the Department to assist the Contractor in meeting the requirements of this Contract. The support and assistance, or lack thereof, shall not relieve the Contractor from full performance of all contract requirements.

3.9 DELIVERABLES

The Contractor shall submit all deliverables in accordance with the Deliverable Schedule below. Deliverables must be approved by the Department's Contract Manager prior to payment. Deliverable due dates may be extended upon prior written approval of the Department.

Deliverable	Due Date
Storage Cargo Boxes as indicated in Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, with associated parts and accessories, as applicable.	Upon issuance of the purchase order, the Contractor shall deliver twenty (20) cargo storage boxes weekly until the order is fulfilled in its entirety.
The Contractor shall timely redeliver any shipments as indicated in Section 3.3 PACKING, SHIPPING AND DELIVERY, Item F.	Within five (5) days of initial delivery attempt.

3.10 PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

The Department has developed the following Performance Standards which shall be met by the Contractor in performance and delivery of services. The Department reserves the right to impose liquidated damages upon the Contractor for failure to comply with the performance standard requirements set forth in the chart below.

Performance Standard Requirement	Liquidated Damages to be Imposed
Before the Contractor fabricates a cargo storage box, the Contractor shall e-mail the Contract Manager the measurements and all other applicable specifications relating to parts, accessories, or materials, and brand (where applicable), for review and approval within ten (10) days of purchase order issuance, as indicated in Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS.	Ten dollars (\$10) per day for each workday beyond the due date until provided to the Department.
Delivery of the storage cargo boxes as indicated in Section 3.9 DELIVERABLE.	Twenty dollars (\$20) per day, per each storage cargo box ordered, for each workday beyond the due date until provided to the Department.
The Contractor shall provide the Contract Manager specifications to the mounting solutions as indicated in Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item E.	Ten dollars (\$10) per day for each workday beyond the due date until provided to the Department.
The Contractor shall provide the Contract Manager specifications to the spare tire access plate as indicated in Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item H.	Ten dollars (\$10) per day for each workday beyond the due date until provided to the Department.
The Contractor shall notify the Contract Manager of any potential delivery delays within five (5) days or purchase order issuance, as indicated in Section 3.3 PACKING, SHIPPING AND DELIVERY, Item B.	Fifty dollars (\$50) per day for each workday beyond the due date until provided to the Department.
The Contractor shall timely redeliver any shipments within five (5) days as indicated in Section 3.3 PACKING, SHIPPING AND DELIVERY, Item F.	Fifty dollars (\$50) per day for each workday beyond the due date until provided to the Department.
The Contractor shall submit a monthly MINORITY AND SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE REPORT by or before the 5 th day of the following month for the entire term of the Contract/purchase order, as indicated in Section 3.5.	Ten dollars (\$10) per day for each workday beyond the due date until provided to the Department.

3.11 MONITORING

The Department's Contract Manager or designated Department staff will perform monitoring during the term of the Contract to determine if the Contractor has met each Performance Standard identified in Section 3.10 PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES. Monitoring shall include review of compliance with contract service delivery and review of all contract requirements. Contractor shall permit persons duly authorized by the Department to inspect any records, papers, documents, facilities, goods and services of the Contractor which are relevant to this Contract.

If the Department determines that the Contractor has failed to meet a Performance Standard, the Contractor will be sent a formal contract communication in accordance with Section 3.13 COMMUNICATIONS. When issues of non-compliance are identified, the Contractor shall, if requested by the Department, submit a written Corrective Action Plan (CAP) as indicated in Section 3.12 CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN (CAP), below. NOTE: The Department is not required to request a CAP prior to assessing Liquidated Damages for failure to meet any Performance Standard.

3.12 CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN (CAP)

- A. If the Department determines that the Contractor is out-of-compliance (i.e., has failed to perform or satisfactorily perform) with any of the provisions of the resulting Contract, the Department shall notify the Contractor of the compliance issue(s) in writing.
- B. Depending upon the nature of the deficiency(ies) noted, the Department will either indicate that the Contractor is out-of-compliance and the Department is assessing liquidated damages, or the Department may require the Contractor to respond by submitting a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) within a specified time frame.
- C. A CAP is an opportunity for the Contractor to address and resolve deficiencies without the Department immediately invoking more serious remedies, up to and including Contract termination. In determining whether to permit the Contractor to submit a CAP, the Department will consider the nature of the deficiency(ies), whether the Department would or could be adversely affected in any way by allowing additional time for correction, and the likelihood for successful correction by the Contractor.
- D. The CAP shall be timely submitted to the Department's Contract Manager who will review the CAP and:
 - 1) determine whether the steps to be taken and timeline for each step will likely resolve the deficiency(ies) to the Department's satisfaction and approve the CAP, in writing, for implementation by the Contractor; or
 - 2) Determine that the steps to be taken and/or timelines indicated will not likely resolve the deficiency(ies) to the Department's satisfaction and reject the CAP.
- E. If the Contract Manager rejects the Contractor's CAP, the reasons for rejection shall be provided in writing to the Contractor who shall have five (5) business days from receipt of the Department's rejection notice to correct/change the CAP and resubmit it. If the resubmitted CAP is similarly rejected, the Contractor shall be deemed in breach of the contract and liquidated damages of \$100.00 per day shall be imposed for each day a satisfactory CAP is not submitted to the Department.
- F. The Contractor shall implement the CAP only after receiving written approval from the Department's Contract Manager or other designated Department personnel.
- G. If the Contractor does not meet the plan for resolving deficiencies established in the CAP to the Department's satisfaction, either by not resolving all deficiencies identified or by not resolving all deficiencies within the stated time frame(s), the Contractor shall be in breach of the contract and shall be subject to liquidated damages.
- H. Except where otherwise specified, liquidated damages of \$100.00 per day will be imposed on the Contractor for each day that the approved CAP is not implemented to the satisfaction of the Department.

3.13 COMMUNICATIONS

Contract communications will be in three forms: routine, informal and formal. For the purposes of the Contract, the following definitions shall apply:

Routine: All normal written communications generated by either party relating to service delivery. Routine communications must be acknowledged or answered within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt.

Informal: Special written communications deemed necessary based upon either contract compliance or quality of service issues. Must be acknowledged or responded to within ten (10) calendar days of receipt.

Formal: Same as informal but more limited in nature and usually reserved for significant issues such as Breach of Contract, failure to provide satisfactory performance, or contract termination. Formal communications shall also include requests for changes in the scope of the Contract and billing adjustments. Must be acknowledged upon receipt and responded to within seven (7) calendar days of receipt.

The only personnel authorized to use formal contract communications are the Department's Contract Manager, Contract Administrator, and the Contractor's CEO or the individual identified for contractual purposes on FORM 1 – BIDDER CONTACT INFORMATION. Designees or other persons authorized to utilize formal contract communications must be agreed upon by both parties and identified in writing within ten (10) days of execution of the Contract. Notification of any subsequent changes must be provided in writing prior to issuance of any formal communication from the changed designee or authorized representative.

In addition to the personnel identified above, personnel authorized to use informal contract communications include any other persons so designated in writing by the parties.

If there is an urgent administrative problem, the Department shall make contact with the Contractor and the Contractor shall verbally respond to the Contract Manager within two (2) hours. If a non-urgent administrative problem occurs, the Department will make contact with the Contractor and the Contractor shall verbally respond to the Contract Manager within forty-eight (48) hours.

The Contractor acknowledges that records and documents related to Contractor's service delivery are public records as provided under Chapter 119, Fla. Stat.

The Contractor shall respond to all communications by facsimile, email, or hard copy mail.

A date/numbering system shall be utilized for tracking of formal communications.

4.0 BID INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 INTRODUCTION

This section contains the General Instructions to Respondents and Special Instructions. The General Instructions to Respondents (PUR 1001, 2006 version) are incorporated by reference and can be accessed at:

http://www.dms.myflorida.com/business_operations/state_purchasing/documents_forms_references_resources/purchasing_forms

The following sections of the PUR 1001 (General Instructions) are not applicable:

- A. Section 3. Electronic Submission of Responses
Responses shall be submitted in accordance with Section 5. BID SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS of this solicitation.
- B. Section 4. Terms and Conditions
Terms and Conditions shall be in accordance with Section II. Contract Documents and Order of Precedence, of Exhibit 1 – Sample Contract.
- C. Section 5. Questions
Questions shall be submitted in accordance with Section 2.2 BIDDER QUESTIONS of this solicitation.

The Special Instructions are in the sections below starting with Section 4.2 BIDDER QUALIFICATION QUESTIONS.

In the event any conflict exists between the Special Instructions and General Instructions to Respondents, the Special Instructions shall prevail.

4.2 BIDDER QUALIFICATION QUESTIONS

Bidders will submit a Yes/No response to the Bidder Qualification Questions on Form 2 (attached), which must be submitted with the bidder's response. The Bidder must meet all qualifications in order to be considered for award. The Department will not evaluate bids from Bidders who answer "No" to any of the Qualification Questions.

The Department reserves the right to verify the Bidder's status for each of the Qualification Questions.

4.3 MYFLORIDAMARKETPLACE TRANSACTION FEE

The State of Florida has instituted MyFloridaMarketPlace, a statewide eProcurement System ("System"). Pursuant to subsection 287.057(22), Fla. Stat., all payments shall be assessed a Transaction Fee, which the Contractor shall pay to the State, unless exempt pursuant to Rule 60A-1.032, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C). Please refer to this statutory section for the current transaction fee amount.

4.4 MYFLORIDAMARKETPLACE REGISTRATION

Each Bidder doing business with the State for the sale of commodities or contractual services as defined in section 287.012, Fla. Stat., shall register in the MyFloridaMarketPlace system, unless exempted under Rule 60A-1.030(3), F.A.C. Also, an agency shall not enter into an agreement for the sale of commodities or contractual services as defined in section 287.012, Fla. Stat., with any Bidder not registered in the MyFloridaMarketPlace system, unless exempted by rule. Should a Bidder not currently registered in the MyFloridaMarketPlace system be selected for award, the Bidder shall register in the MyFloridaMarketPlace system within five (5) days after posting by the Department of a Notice of Intent to Award. Information about the registration is available, and registration may be completed, at the MyFloridaMarketPlace website (<http://www.myflorida.com>). Those lacking Internet access may request assistance from the MyFloridaMarketPlace Customer Service office at 866-352-3776 or from the Department of Management Services' State Purchasing office located at 4050 Esplanade Way, Suite 300, Tallahassee, FL 32399, 850-488-8440.

4.5 PREFERRED PRICING COMPLIANCE

In accordance with Chapter 2010-151, Laws of Florida, Section 48(2), the Contractor is required to submit, at least once during each year of the Contract, an Affidavit from an authorized representative of the Contractor attesting that the Contractor is in compliance with PUR 1000 General Contract Conditions, Section 4.4(b), Best Pricing Offer. Contractor's failure to comply with this section may be grounds for terminating the Contract, at the Department's sole discretion. The Department shall distribute the Affidavit form to be used by the Contractor during each remaining year of the Contract.

4.6 FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE REGISTRATION

Pursuant to section 607.1501, Fla. Stat., out-of-state corporations are required to obtain a Florida Certificate of Authorization pursuant to section 607.1503(1), Fla. Stat., from the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations, to transact business in the State of Florida. The Bidder agrees to attain such authorization, if applicable, within seven (7) business days of notice of award, should the Bidder be awarded the Contractor/purchase order. Website: www.sunbiz.org

4.7 FLORIDA SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9 PROCESS

Vendors *must* register and complete an electronic Substitute Form W-9. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) receives and validates the information vendors provide on the Form W-9. For instructions on how to complete the Florida Substitute Form W-9, please visit: <http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/AA/StateAgencies/W-9Instructions022212.pdf>

Foreign Vendors, please visit:

<https://flvendor.myfloridacfo.com/ForeignVendors.pdf>

If not already on file, the awarded Bidder, if this solicitation results in an award, must have completed this process within seven (7) business days of notice of award.

4.8 SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES

Pursuant to paragraph 287.135(3)(b), Fla. Stat., the Department may immediately terminate any Contract for cause if the Contractor is found to have submitted a false certification under subsection 287.135(5), Fla. Stat., or if Contractor is placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List during the term of the Contract. A list of prohibited scrutinized companies may be found in the link provided below.

<http://www.sbafla.com/fsb/Portals/Internet/PFIA/CurrentProhibitedCompaniesList.pdf>

4.9 PRICE SHEET INSTRUCTIONS

The Bidder must submit a FORM 3 – PRICE SHEET (attached) to be considered for award.

- A. The Bidder shall provide a price(s) in each cell of each price sheet submitted. Failure to provide a price in a cell may deem that price sheet non-responsive.
- B. The Bidder shall use legible handwriting, if applicable, when completing the price sheet(s).
- C. All price sheet calculations will be verified for accuracy by the Department. If mathematical error(s) in a Bidder's price sheet calculations are identified, unit prices submitted by the Bidder will be used to determine the total price for that Bidder.

Price(s) will be final based on Department verification. Department corrected price sheet(s) will be made available upon written request to the Bidder.

D. Shipping

Bidders should include the cost of shipping, i.e., freight on board (FOB) destination / inside delivery, in accordance with paragraph 672.319(1)(b), Fla. Stat. The Department will not pay freight charges. (See also Section 3.3 PACKING, SHIPPING AND DELIVERY.)

4.10 MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

The Department has established certain mandatory requirements which must be included as part of any bid. The use of the terms “shall”, “must”, or “will” (except to indicate simple futurity) in this solicitation indicates a mandatory requirement or condition.

The words “should” or “may” in this solicitation indicate desirable attributes or conditions, but are permissive in nature. Deviation from, or omission of, such a desirable feature will not itself cause rejection of a bid.

4.11 MINOR BID EXCEPTIONS

The Department reserves the right to waive minor deviations or exceptions in bids providing such actions are in the best interest of the State of Florida and the Department. Minor deviations/exceptions are defined as those that have no adverse effect upon the State’s interest and would not affect the outcome of the award by giving a Bidder an advantage or benefit not enjoyed by other Bidders.

4.12 NON – RESPONSIVE BIDS, NON – RESPONSIBLE BIDDERS

Bids which do not conform in all material respects to the requirements of this solicitation or which fail to provide all required information, documents, or materials will be rejected as non-responsive.

Material requirements of the solicitation are those set forth as mandatory or without which an adequate analysis and comparison of bids are impossible, or those which affect the competitiveness of bids, or the cost to the Department.

Bidders whose bids, past performance, or current status do not reflect the capability, integrity, or reliability to fully and in good faith perform the requirements of the resulting Contract may be rejected as non-responsible. The Department reserves the right to determine which bids meet the material requirements of the solicitation, and which Bidders are responsible.

“Responsible” or “Qualified Bidder” means a person or firm with the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements and the integrity and reliability to assure good faith performance. Failure to provide information to determine responsibility in response to a condition of a bid requiring such information may be cause for rejection of the bid.

Bid responses will be considered only from Bidders who are regularly engaged in the type of service/products/business that is the subject of this solicitation, are financially responsible, and have the necessary equipment and personnel to provide the services and goods required by the solicitation.

4.13 SUBCONTRACTS

The Vendor may, only with prior written consent of the Department, enter into written subcontracts for the delivery or performance of services, as indicated in this ITB. Anticipated subcontract agreements known at the time of bid submission, and the amount of the subcontract must be identified in the bid. If a subcontract has been identified at the time of bid submission, a copy of the proposed subcontract must be submitted reflecting all of the information identified in Section 8.4 SUBCONTRACTING AFTER CONTRACT EXECUTION.

No subcontract, which the Vendor enters into with respect to performance of any of its functions under the Contract, shall in any way relieve the Vendor of any responsibility for the performance of its duties.

5.0 BID SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 BID SUBMISSION CONTENTS

Bids shall be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise delineation of the contractor's capabilities to satisfy the requirements of this ITB. Fancy bindings, colored displays, and promotional material are not desired. The emphasis of each bid shall be on completeness and clarity of content. Bids are to be organized in sections as directed below. The bid forms furnished with this ITB must be submitted with the bid and are to be filled out in pen and ink or typewritten with no alterations, changes, or amendments made within. All forms must be signed and dated by the Vendor's Authorized Representative (see Section 1.2 DEFINITIONS, Item A.).

A. The Bidder shall organize its bid submittal contents as follows:

Tab 1 A cover letter on the Bidder's letterhead with the following information

- Name and headquarters location of the Bidder
- Federal Employer Identification (FEID) Number
- Subcontracting information as indicated in Section 4.13 SUBCONTRACTS. If not applicable, the Bidder shall so indicate in its cover letter.

Tab 2 Mandatory forms to be completed, signed and included with the bid:

FORM 1 – BIDDER CONTACT INFORMATION

FORM 2 – BIDDER QUALIFICATION QUESTIONS

FORM 3 – PRICE SHEET (2 pages)

Signed Addendum(s) (if applicable)

A written letter from an attorney-at-law (if applicable, see Section 6.2 FLORIDA PREFERENCE)

Completed forms must be included in the Bidder's response. If any item is missing or incomplete, the bid submission will be deemed non-responsive.

Tab 3 Exceptions

The Bidder shall include a statement in this tab indicating that it has no exceptions in regard to the services described in this solicitation.

However, should the Bidder have any exceptions, they must be noted in this tab in detail. The Department's request that exceptions, if any, be identified, does not imply and should not be taken as agreement by the Department to agree to or accept any exception(s). The Department will review the exceptions that were not addressed during the question and answer period and render a decision as to whether to accept them or not, or select another vendor to provide the services described in this solicitation. See Section 4.12 NON-RESPONSIVE, NON-RESPONSIBLE BIDDERS.

NOTE: The lowest priced responsible and responsive bidder shall be contacted by the Procurement Officer in writing to submit fully assembled cargo storage box samples. (see Section 6.1 BASIS OF AWARD, Item A., and D.)

5.2 BID SUBMISSION

The Bidder shall submit:

5.2.1 One (1) original version of the response submittal, with one (1) copy.

5.2.2 One REDACTED scanned copy of the response, if applicable (see Section 5.5 REDACTED SUBMISSIONS).

Sealed packages to be delivered shall be clearly marked on the outside of the package with the solicitation number and company name.

Submitted hardcopies contained within the sealed packages shall be clearly marked with the Bidder's company name, and solicitation number.

5.3 DELIVERY OF BID SUBMISSION

The bid shall be submitted to the Procurement Officer identified in Section 1.3 PROCUREMENT OFFICER, by or before the date and time indicated in Section 2.5 CALENDAR OF EVENTS. This is a mandatory requirement.

Offers by telegram, telephone, email, or facsimile will not be accepted. The Department will not consider late bids. Bidders are advised to examine their bids carefully and to ensure that the bid is delivered to the proper place no later than the time of the bid opening.

5.4 BID GUARANTEE

The Department will not require a bid guarantee for this solicitation.

5.5 REDACTED SUBMISSIONS

The following subsection supplements Section 19 of the PUR 1001. If Bidder considers any portion of the documents, data or records submitted in response to this solicitation to be confidential, proprietary, trade secret or otherwise not subject to disclosure pursuant to Chapter 119, Fla. Stat., the Florida Constitution or other authority, Bidder must mark the document as "Confidential" and simultaneously provide the Department with a separate redacted copy of its

response and briefly describe in writing the grounds for claiming exemption from the public records law, including the specific statutory citation for such exemption. This redacted copy shall contain the Department's solicitation name, number, and the Bidder's name on the cover, and shall be clearly titled "Redacted Copy." The Redacted Copy should only redact those portions of material that the Bidder claims are confidential, proprietary, trade secret, or otherwise not subject to disclosure.

In the event of a request for public records pursuant to Chapter 119, Fla. Stat., the Florida Constitution or other authority, to which documents that are marked as confidential are responsive, the Department will provide the Redacted Copy to the requestor. If a requestor asserts a right to the Confidential Information, the Department will notify the Bidder such an assertion has been made. It is the Bidder's responsibility to assert that the information in question is exempt from disclosure under Chapter 119 or other applicable law. If the Department becomes subject to a demand for discovery or disclosure of the Confidential Information of the Bidder in a legal proceeding, the Department shall give the Bidder prompt notice of the demand prior to releasing the information (unless otherwise prohibited by applicable law). The Bidder shall be responsible for defending its determination that the redacted portions of its response are confidential, proprietary, trade secret, or otherwise not subject to disclosure.

By submitting a bid, the Bidder agrees to protect, defend, and indemnify the Department for any and all claims arising from or relating to the Bidder's determination that the redacted portions of its bid are confidential, proprietary, trade secret, or otherwise not subject to disclosure. If Bidder fails to submit a redacted copy of information it claims is confidential, the Department is authorized to produce the entire documents, data, or records submitted to the Department in answer to a public records request for these records.

6.0 AWARD METHODOLOGY

6.1 BASIS OF AWARD

- A. The Contract will be awarded to the responsible and responsive Bidder that submits the lowest priced responsive bid for the original and renewal term combined. The Department will consider the total cost for each year of the Contract, including renewal years as submitted by the Bidder.

The Department shall also consider the following mandatories in consideration of award:

1. Timely submission of the Bidder's response.
 2. Submission of mandatory information identified in Section 5.2 BID SUBMISSION, Item A.
 3. Timely submission and satisfactory review of the sample cargo boxes by the Department's Contract Manager (see D., below).
- B. The Department reserves the right to:
- award multiple contracts, for all or part of the work contemplated by this solicitation;
 - divide the work among vendors by type of service or geographic area, or both;
 - award a contract for less than the entire service area or less than all services encompassed by this solicitation, or both; and / or
 - reject all bids.
- C. The Department reserves the right to award as determined to be in the best interest of the state, and to accept or reject any and all offers, or separable portions, and to waive any

minor irregularity, technicality, or omission if the Department determines that doing so will serve the best interest of the state.

D. Satisfactory Samples

The lowest priced responsible and responsive bidder (see Section 6.1 BASIS OF AWARD, Item A.) shall be contacted by the Procurement Officer in writing to submit one (1) fully assembled cargo storage box of each of the following:

1. Cargo Storage Box #2 for FHP SUV (see Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item B.) for a 2016 or Newer Ford Utility Police Interceptor with the following:
 - a) A partition as described in Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item G.; and;
 - b) A spare tire access plate as described in Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item H.
2. Cargo Storage Box #3 w/Scale Rack Boxes for FHP SUV CVE (see Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item C.) for a 2015 or Newer Chevy Tahoe with the following:
 - a) A partition as described in Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, Item J.
3. The sample cargo storage boxes shall be provided at no cost to the Department and delivered to the Procurement Officer within ten (10) days of request. The Contractor shall also provide three (3) days' advance notice of delivery.
4. The Department will conduct a review of the sample cargo storage boxes to ensure they meet or exceed the requirements of Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS. All review measurements and findings will be documented.

The review will consist of the following:

- a) The date the Bidder was contacted by the Procurement Officer against the date the sample cargo storage box was delivered.
- b) The sample cargo storage box measurements against the measurements in Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, B and C.
- c) Weight capacity to ensure the drawer slides support 125 lbs. without the drawer bowing or scraping during opening and closing.
- d) Partitions and spare tire access plate measurements and quality against the requirements indicated in Section 3.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS for the vehicles identified in Section 6.1 BASIS OF AWARD, Item B., 1., and 2., above.
- e) Fitment of sample cargo boxes, partitions, and spare tire access plates to vehicles identified in Section 6.1 BASIS OF AWARD, Item B., 1., and 2., above.
- f) Review of all applicable specifications. The Contractor shall include all applicable specifications relating to parts, accessories, or materials, and brand (where applicable), for all samples submitted for review and approval.

5. Samples not meeting the above requirements of this ITB will be rejected. The Department reserves the right to reject any item and to procure that item from the next lowest price responsible and responsive Bidder or reject the entire group of samples and proceed to the next lowest Bidder, whichever is in the Department's and state's best interest.
6. Upon completion of the Department's review of the sample cargo storage boxes, the sample, upon request, can be returned at the Bidder's expense. Request for return of samples shall be accompanied by instructions which include shipping authorization and name of carrier and must be received within ninety (90) days after the bid opening date. If instructions are not received within this time, the sample shall be kept by the Department or disposed of.

6.2 FLORIDA PREFERENCE

In accordance with section 287.084, Fla. Stat., a Bidder whose principal place of business is located outside of the state of Florida, must accompany their bid response documents with a written letter from an attorney-at-law licensed to practice law in the State where their principal place of business is located, describing the preferences granted by that State (if any) to its own business entities in the award of public contracts. The written document must identify either the preference granted or contain a statement specifying that no preferences are granted.

When the lowest responsible and responsive bid is submitted by a Bidder whose principal place of business is located outside the state of Florida, a 5% price preference shall be awarded to the Florida Bidder submitting the lowest responsive bid, unless the State where the out-of-state Bidder is located provides a different price preference for businesses having a principal place of business in that State. In that case, the same price preference shall be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive Bidder whose principal place of business is located in the state of Florida responding to this competitive solicitation.

6.3 POSTING OF AGENCY DECISION

The Department will post a Notice of Intent to Award stating its intent to enter into one or more contracts with the vendor or vendors identified therein, on the VBS website http://vbs.dms.state.fl.us/vbs/main_menu.

If the Department decides to reject all bids, it will post its notice at the same VBS website.

6.4 IDENTICAL BIDS

In the event that the Department receives two identical bids, the Department will select a Bidder based on the criteria identified in Rule 60A-1.011, F.A.C.

7.0 PROTESTS

7.1 TIME LIMITS FOR FILING PROTESTS

All notice of protest must be filed within seventy-two (72) hours of the posting of the agency decision or solicitation. Any formal protest must be filed within ten (10) days of the filing of the notice of protest. A formal written protest is "filed" when **actually received** by the Department's Agency Clerk.

7.2 BOND MUST ACCOMPANY PROTEST

When protesting a decision or intended decision (including a protest of the terms, conditions, and specifications of the solicitation), the protestor must post a bond with the formal protest that is equal to one percent of the Department's estimated contract amount (total for all years).

FAILURE TO POST AN ORIGINAL BOND FOR THE REQUISITE AMOUNT AT THE TIME OF FILING THE FORMAL WRITTEN PROTEST WILL RESULT IN A REJECTION OF THE PROTEST.

8.0 RESULTANT CONTRACT SPECIAL PROVISIONS

8.1 GENERAL CONTRACT CONDITIONS (PUR 1000)

The PUR 1000 is incorporated by reference and can be accessed at:

http://www.dms.myflorida.com/business_operations/state_purchasing/documents_forms_references_resources/purchasing_forms

8.2 CONTRACTUAL SUBMISSIONS

A Bidder's response to this solicitation shall be considered as the Bidder's formal offer. There will be no separate contract other than the purchasing document (purchase order or contract), and any documents incorporated therein.

8.3 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY

The Department will consider the Contractor to be the sole point-of-contact with regard to contractual matters. The Contractor will assume sole responsibility for providing the commodities and services offered in its bid whether or not the Contractor is the supplier of said commodities and services or any component.

8.4 SUBCONTRACTING AFTER CONTRACT EXECUTION

Should the Contractor need to subcontract any services to a subcontractor not originally identified in its bid submittal, the Contractor shall submit a written request to the Department's Contract Manager identified in the Contract. The written request shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

- A. The name, address and other information identifying the subcontractor;
- B. Component / type of services to be performed by the subcontractor;
- C. Time of performance of the identified service;
- D. How the Contractor plans to monitor the subcontractor's performance of the identified services;
- E. Certification that the subcontractor has all licenses and county authority, as applicable, and/or has satisfied all legal requirements to provide the services to the Department. Also, the Contractor shall certify that the subcontractor is approved by the Florida Department of State to transact business in the State of Florida. **If the subcontractor is an out-of-state company, it must have a Florida Certificate of Authority from the Department of State, Division of Corporations, to transact business in the State of Florida. Website: www.sunbiz.org**
- F. A copy of the written subcontract agreement; and

- G. Acknowledgement from the subcontractor of the Contractor's contractual obligation to the Department and that subcontractor agrees to comply with all terms and conditions of the resulting Contract.

The Contractor acknowledges that it shall not be released of its contractual obligation to the Department because of any subcontract. The Contractor is solely responsible for ensuring the subcontractor maintains insurance, as required. The Department shall treat the Contractor's use of a subcontractor not disclosed as required herein and/or approved by the Department as a breach of the Contract.

8.5 RESULTANT CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

This Contract sets forth the entire understanding of the parties in regard to the subject matter contained herein, and consists of the documents listed below. In the event any of these documents conflict, the conflict will be resolved in the following order of precedence (first to last):

- A. this Contract;
- B. ITB 012-16, Florida Highway Patrol Vehicle Cargo Storage Boxes, which is inclusive of its addenda, attachments, PUR 1001 General Instructions to Respondents, and PUR 1000 Contract Terms and Conditions;
- C. the purchase order, and its terms and conditions; and
- D. the Contractor's bid submission.

Items B., and D., above, are incorporated herein as fully-stated.

8.6 CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

- A. Department's Contract Manager

The Contract Manager for this Contract will be:

John Kreiensieck
Florida Highway Patrol
Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
Neil Kirkman Building, Room A315, Mail Station 47
2900 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0524

The Contract Manager will perform the following functions:

1. Maintain a Contract Management file;
2. Serve as the liaison between the Department and the Contractor;
3. Direct the Contract Administrator to process all amendments, renewals and terminations of the Contract;
4. Monitor and Evaluate the Contractor's performance, as required, during the contract term and Contractor's overall performance at the conclusion of the Contract;
5. Issue Corrective Action Plans and assess Liquidated Damages in accordance with the Contract;
6. Receive and monitor monthly minority and service-disabled veteran business enterprise reports submitted by the Contractor summarizing the participation of certified and non-certified minority and service-disabled veteran subcontractors/material suppliers for the current month, and project to date;
7. Submit monthly and quarterly Minority and Service-Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise reports Reports to the Bureau of Purchasing and Contacts; and

8. Maintain records regarding Contractor's performance to be placed on file and will be considered if the Contract is subsequently used as a reference in future procurements.

B. Department's Budget Coordinator

The Budget Coordinator for this Contract will be:

Shelley Woods
Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
3626 County Road 220
Middleburg, FL 32068
Telephone: (904)294-5523

The Budget Coordinator will perform the following functions:

1. Verify receipt of deliverables from the Contractor; and
2. Review, verify, and approve invoices from the Contractor.

C. Department's Contract Administrator

The Contract Administrator for this Contract will be:

Chief, Bureau of Purchasing and Contracts
2900 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2500
(850) 717-3681

The Contract Administrator will perform the following functions:

1. Maintain the official Contract Administration file;
2. Process all Contract amendments, renewals, and termination of the Contract; and
3. Maintain the official records of all formal correspondence between the Department and the Contractor provided by the Contract Manager for filing in the Contract Administration file.

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FORM 1 – BIDDER CONTACT INFORMATION

For solicitation purposes, the Bidder contact person shall be:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Bidder Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

For contractual purposes, should the Bidder be selected for award, the contact person shall be:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

FORM 2 - BIDDER QUALIFICATION QUESTIONS (Page 1 of 2)

1.	Does Bidder certify that the Bidder or person submitting the bid and its pricing is authorized to respond to this ITB on Bidder's behalf?	Yes	No
2.	Does Bidder certify that it is not a Discriminatory Vendor or Convicted Vendor as defined in sections 7 and 8 of the PUR 1001?	Yes	No
3.	Does Bidder certify compliance with section 9 of the PUR 1001?	Yes	No
4.	Does Bidder certify that it is not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List?	Yes	No
5.	Does Bidder certify that it will, if awarded, submit to the Department, at least annually, the completed signed Preferred Pricing Affidavit as indicated Section 4.5 PREFERRED PRICING COMPLIANCE.	Yes	No
6.	Does the Bidder certify that its primary business is providing the type of service or goods sought in this solicitation, that the company is financially responsible, and has the necessary equipment and personnel to provide the services or goods required by this solicitation?	Yes	No
7.	Does the Bidder certify that it will comply with Section 4.4 MYFLORIDAMARKETPLACE REGISTRATION?	Yes	No
8.	Does the Bidder certify that it will comply with Section 4.6 REGISTRATION WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE?	Yes	No
9.	If applicable, does the Bidder certify that it will comply with Section 4.7 SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9?	Yes	No
10.	Does the Bidder understand that the solicitation contains both requirements that apply to the solicitation and that apply to any Contract that may result from this solicitation?	Yes	No
10.	Does the Bidder understand that by submitting a bid response, the Bidder is deemed to have accepted all contract-related terms?	Yes	No
11.	Does the Bidder understand that submission of a bid response does not, however, guarantee acceptance of the bid or issuance of a contract to the Bidder?	Yes	No
12.	Does the Bidder certify that, to the best of its knowledge, its company, including its subcontractors, as applicable, subsidiaries and partners, has no existing relationship, financial interest, or business interest, and is not engaged in any other activity that creates or would create an actual or potential organizational conflict of interest relating to the award of a contract resulting from this solicitation?	Yes	No
13.	Does the Bidder certify that it will comply with Section 8.4 SUBCONTRACTING AFTER CONTRACT EXECUTION?	Yes	No
14.	Due to the sensitivity of the firearm locking mechanism for the cargo storage boxes, does the Bidder certify that it shall not permit any individual as identified in Section 3.6 to provide services under this Contract?	Yes	No

FORM 2 - BIDDER QUALIFICATION QUESTIONS (Page 2 of 2)

Complete and Sign below. Unsigned or incomplete forms will be rejected and will cause the bid to be rejected.
As the person authorized to sign this statement, I certify that this firm complies with all requirements of ITB 012-16.

Respondent:	_____		
Address:	_____		
City:	_____	State:	_____
Authorized	_____	Zip:	_____
Signature:	_____	Date:	_____
Title:	_____	Telephone:	_____

Please complete legibly.

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FORM 3 – PRICE SHEET (Page 1 of 2)

See Section 4.9 PRICE SHEET INSTRUCTIONS before completing price sheets.

Original Term		*Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4		Year 5	
Item No.	Cargo Storage Box No.	04/01/16	03/31/17	04/01/17	03/31/18	04/01/18	03/31/19	04/01/19	03/31/20	04/01/20	03/31/21
		<i>Enter a unit price for each</i>		<i>Enter a unit price for each</i>		<i>Enter a unit price for each</i>		<i>Enter a unit price for each</i>		<i>Enter a unit price for each</i>	
A.	#1 FHP SUV	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/
B.	#2 FHP SUV Patrol w/spare tire access plate	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/
C.	#3 FHP SUV CVE w/scale rack boxes	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/
D.	Partition	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/

Renewal Term		Renewal Year 1		Renewal Year 2		Renewal Year 3		Renewal Year 4		Renewal Year 5	
Item No.	Cargo Storage Box No.	04/01/21	03/31/22	04/01/22	03/31/23	04/01/23	03/31/24	04/01/24	03/31/25	04/01/25	03/31/26
		<i>Enter a unit price for each</i>		<i>Enter a unit price for each</i>		<i>Enter a unit price for each</i>		<i>Enter a unit price for each</i>		<i>Enter a unit price for each</i>	
A.	#1 FHP SUV	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/
B.	#2 FHP SUV Patrol w/spare tire access plate	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/
C.	#3 FHP SUV CVE w/scale rack boxes	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/
D.	Partition	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/	_____	/

FORM 3 – PRICE SHEET (Page 2 of 2)

*The anticipated contract start date is subject to change.

The Bidder with the lowest grand total price will receive the award.

For purpose of award, enter totals below from prices bid from FORM 3 – PRICE SHEET (Page 1 of 2).

Years 1-5 TOTAL

Renewal Years 1-5

Enter total of all unit prices for each year bid.

Enter total of all unit prices for each renewal year bid.

_____ / _____

Grand Total

Enter total from Years 1-5 and Renewal Years 1-5 above.

Complete and Sign below. Unsigned or incomplete forms will be rejected and will cause the bid to be rejected.

By signature below, I hereby bind the Bidder to the prices bid.

Respondent:	_____
Address:	_____
City:	_____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Authorized Signature:	_____ Date: _____
Title:	_____ Telephone: _____

Please complete legibly.