

**TOWN OF EAST HADDAM**  
**DOCUMENTS FOR PROPOSALS TO SUPPLY**  
**TWO (2) IDENTICAL EMERGENCY VEHICLE APPARATUS - SQUADS**  
**ADDENDUM NO. 1 TO CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**

<b>TO: ALL PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS</b>
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This Addendum forms a part of the Contract Documents and modifies the bidding Documents dated May 15, 2026 as noted below.

All Bidders are hereby notified and warned of the following information, clarifications and modifications that are provided in response to questions and comments received via email, which are to be included in and become a part of the Proposal documents:

1. **Question** – I'm having a little trouble with this part of the bid:

**24. MANUFACTURER’S REPRESENTATIVE – SALES AND SERVICE**

Bids shall only be considered from manufacturers that offer local dealer representation and that have an established reputation in the field of emergency vehicle equipment apparatus sales and service and have been in continuous business for a minimum of (10) ten years.

Local dealer representation shall mean that the supplying apparatus manufacturer must show proof in the bid proposal that they own and operate or have service agreements with a fully staffed emergency vehicle service and repair facility that can provide prompt warranty and repair service that is located within 75 miles of the Town of East Haddam.

Fully staffed, for the purposes of this procurement, shall mean staffed with a minimum of 3 full-time certified ASE and/or EVT technicians. It shall also include “full-time” office staff during normal office hours.

**25. APPARATUS DEALER’S HISTORY**

Supplying apparatus dealer shall also include a complete history timeline of the company, location of the service center, as well as a complete list of the dealer’s apparatus service capabilities.

I have a couple of options:

I could take exception, and list the various repair facilities we have used in the past

I could take exception and state that any repair facility East Haddam wishes to use is fine with us

My dealership has no repair facility, we have agreements (mostly informal, handshake agreements) with a bunch of repair facilities. Those include:

First Line Emergency Repair in Cromwell

Five Star Fire in Hartford

Bulldog in Mass.

What are your thoughts on this? I don't want to lose out on this because of a repair facility...

**Response** – If the manufacturer does not do service directly, the vendor must provide a list of local repair facilities they have used in the past to do warranty work or note if they would allow the Town to use a local repair facility of our choice and cover the warranty work.

2. **Question** – It is our intention to provide BOTH vehicles within 730-800 days of contract signing. Will this be acceptable to the Town and will the Town be prepared for invoicing on both vehicles at that time?

**Response** – There are no issues from the Fire Department with taking delivery of BOTH vehicles within 730-800 days of contract signing. We are planning to bond for these vehicles so in discussions with our Finance Department it is our understanding that there would be no upfront payments and that payment would be due at acceptance of the units. If we were to be offered a significant discount for paying for items such as chassis upon delivery, we would consider that option based on cost and timing of our bond issuance.

3. **Question** – We don't see anywhere in the bid the time period for bids to be in effect. We're usually doing 45 days, will that be sufficient? We could do 60 if you prefer.

**Response** – The Town would prefer a 60-day time period for bids to be in effect. We see no reason we would not award this in 60 days and if the town can move this quicker than 60 days we will do so.

**END OF ADDENDUM NO. 1**

Clarification or any other notice of a change in the Documents will be issued only by the Town and only in the form of a written Addendum, transmitted by fax, e-mail or posted on the Town website to all who are known by the Town. Any other purported Addenda are void and unenforceable.

Todd H. Gelston  
First Selectman

Dated: June 8, 2026

END OF ADDENDUM NO. 1