



The regional transit authority for Lake County

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

for

FABRICATION OF METAL SIGN BRACKET

PROPOSALS DUE BY: January 5, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

Date Issued: November 23, 2021

Contact:
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440-350-1022

1.0 GENERAL

LAKETRAN is the regional transit authority for Lake County, Ohio. Lake County is located 35 miles east of Cleveland. The western portion of Lake County is located within the Cleveland Urbanized area and is densely developed. The eastern half is rural in nature.

1.1 Purpose

LAKETRAN seeks proposals from qualified firms to manufacture and print bus stop signs.

The requirements for the submittal and content of proposals, the timetable for this procurement, performance requirements, and contract terms are detailed in this Request For Proposal.

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1.2 Due Date and Location

Proposals are due in LAKETRAN's offices by: January 5, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. EST.

Proposals received after that date and time will not be accepted.

- LAKETRAN's offices are located at 555 Lake Shore Boulevard, Painesville Township, Ohio 44077.
 - This address should be used for overnight delivery, UPS, etc.
- The mailing address for LAKETRAN is Box 158, Grand River, Ohio 44045-0158.
 - This address should only be used for U.S. Mail. Proposers are cautioned that delivery of regular and overnight Mail to the P.O. Box may be delayed and that the P.O. Box should not be relied upon for on-time delivery of your proposal unless additional day's delivery time is allowed.

Proposals shall be in a sealed envelope. The exterior shall be explicitly labeled as follows:

RFP Bus Stop Signs

Due 1/5/2022

- Proposer bears total responsibility for ensuring their proposal is complete and arrives on time.
- Proposals submitted by electronic submission will not be considered.
- Proposer must comply with each and every requirement of this RFP to be considered responsive.

1.3 Schedule

The following schedule will be followed for this procurement:

November 23, 2021	Issuance of RFP
January 5, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.	Proposals Due
January 24, 2022	Award of Contract by Laketrans Board of Trustees

1.4 Length of Time Proposals Shall be Good

Proposals shall be good for ninety (90) days.

The length of time proposals shall be good - plus the schedule for the project - will be automatically extended by the amount of time required for LAKETRAN and the Federal Transit Administration to process any Single Proposal (Section 1.23 below).

1.5 Number of Copies and Delivery

One (1) original plus two (2) copies of proposal(s) must be submitted. Please include one (1) electronic copy of the proposal(s) either on USB or emailed to aaaby@laketrans.com (this is for administrative purposes only).

1.6 Proposal Bond, or Certified or Cashier's Check

Not Required.

1.7 Performance Bond

Not Required.

1.8 Insurance

The successful proposer shall maintain throughout this assignment the following insurance coverages:

- a) Workers Compensation statutory coverage.
- b) Insurance shall have commercial general liability limits of \$1 million per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage. Minimum general aggregate shall be \$1 million.
- c) Automobile liability limit shall be at least \$1 million per accident for bodily injury and property damage where applicable.
- d) Ohio stop gap employer's liability with a \$1 million limit.
- e) LAKETRAN, its officials, agents, employees and volunteers shall be named as an

additional insured. This coverage shall be primary to the additional insured's and not contributing with any other insurance or similar protection available to the additional insured whether available coverage is primary, contributing or excess.

- f) All subcontractors to the prime contractor shall be included under the prime contractor's policies or shall finish separate certificates and endorsements for each subcontractor. All coverages for subcontractors shall be subject to all requirements of this section.
- g) All coverages shall be written on an occurrence basis.
- h) All must give LAKETRAN at least 30 days written notice of cancellation, non-renewal and/or material changes.

All policies shall be provided by an insurer with an A.M. Best rating of A- or better.

1.9 Minimum Specifications

The specifications contained in this IFB/RFP are the minimum specifications needed to meet LAKETRAN's needs.

1.10 Request for Clarification/Approved Equal (RFAE)

All requests for clarification of these specifications and for an approved equal (RFCAE) must be in writing on the form provided in Section 4 and must be received by the time specified in Section 1.3 above.

- Please note the items specified herein were selected through product comparisons and evaluation.
- Proposed alternates must match dimensions, finishes, performance and design features of the products specified herein.
- Catalogs, product information and/or specifications must accompany all RFCAE's.
- Bidders/proposers whose product or service exceeds the minimum specifications herein need not submit an RFCAE. Such bidders/proposers may be required to prove they exceed these minimum specifications before being awarded a contract.

1.11 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)

This contractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color national origin, or sex in the performance of this Contract. The Contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 C.F.R. Part 26 in the award and administration of this DOT-assisted contract. Failure by the Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this Contract, which may result in the termination of this Contract or such other remedy as LAKETRAN deems appropriate. Each subcontract the Contractor signs with a subcontractor must include the assurance in this paragraph (see 49 C.F.R. 26.13(b)).

It is the policy of the Department of Transportation (DOT) that DBE's, as defined in 49 CFR, Parts 23 and 26, shall have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole or in part with federal funds under this Agreement.

Although the DBE goal for this procurement is 0%, LAKETRAN welcomes DBE participation.

1.12 Buy America Certification

Not Required.

1.13 Presentations

LAKETRAN may ask Proposer to explain elements of their proposal.

1.14 Inquiries

All questions pertaining to this RFP should be directed to Andrea Aaby, Director of Compliance & Development, at (440) 350-1022 or sent to aaaby@laketrans.com.

1.15 Clarifications, Approved Equals, Supplements

Clarifications, Approved Equals and other supplements to this RFP may be issued to modify, change or clarify one or more points. All parties who request the RFP will be forwarded copies of supplements. Proposers are reminded to read and adhere to such supplements as compliance with them is integral to having your proposal reviewed.

1.16 Form of Proposal

All forms must be completely filled in, signed and otherwise executed as indicated. Failure to do so can result in your proposal being declared "unresponsive".

Unless otherwise specified in this RFP, only the forms prescribed in Section 4 shall be included with your proposal. Additional material is not required and will not be reviewed.

1.17 Explanations (Written and/or Oral)

Should a proposer find a discrepancy in or omissions from these specifications, or should he/she be in doubt as to their meaning, he/she shall at once make inquiry of LAKETRAN.

1.18 Alternate Proposals

Alternate proposals may be submitted by the Proposer - at his/her discretion and risk - to achieve the essential purpose and intent of these specifications at a lower cost, without increasing LAKETRAN's risk or exposure. Such alternate proposals must be clearly identified and prominently labeled as such. LAKETRAN is not obligated to accept or review any alternate proposal.

1.19 Withdrawal of Proposal

No proposal will be allowed to be withdrawn after it has been opened by LAKETRAN.

1.20 Consideration of Proposal

ORC 9.28 stipulates that for RFPs no information will be released about any proposer or proposal until a contract award is made.

1.21 Rejection or Acceptance of Proposal

LAKETRAN reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, and any parts of any proposal. In awarding a contract, LAKETRAN reserves the right to consider all elements entering into the question of determining the responsibility of the Proposer. Any proposal which is incomplete, conditional, obscure, or which contains additions not called for, or irregularities of any kind, may be cause for rejection of the proposal. In case of any discrepancy between the price written in the proposal and that given in figures for any item, the price in writing will be considered as the proposal price.

1.22 Unacceptable Proposals

No proposal will be accepted from or contract awarded to any person, firm, or corporation that is in arrears or is in default to LAKETRAN upon any debt or contract, or that is a defaulter as surety or otherwise upon any obligation to said LAKETRAN or has failed to perform faithfully any previous contract with LAKETRAN.

1.23 Tie-Breaking (IFB only)

Not Required.

1.24 Right to Perform Pre-Award Survey

Not Required.

1.25 Right to Verify Proposal - Single Proposal

LAKETRAN shall verify proposals. In the event of a single proposal response, this solicitation will be automatically converted to a negotiated purchase which shall require the Contractor/Proposer to negotiate a fair and equitable price. LAKETRAN retains the right to request certifiable cost analysis data which the Proposer must provide. LAKETRAN reserves the right to negotiate an adjustment in Proposer's price if warranted by said analysis. FTA review of a single proposal may be required and will automatically extend the time proposals shall be good.

1.26 Vehicle Trade-ins

Not Required.

1.27 Form of Bid

Not Required.

1.28 Authorized Negotiators

Not Required.

1.29 Award of Contract

A responsive bid/proposal is one which complies with the terms, conditions and specifications of this IFB/RFP. A responsible proposal/proposal is one submitted by a company or joint venture possessing the capability and capacities to perform as required by this IFB/RFP.

LAKETRAN reserves the right to award one, more than one or no contracts as LAKETRAN deems to be in its best interests. If an RFP, LAKETRAN further reserves the right to make an award on the basis of an original proposal(s) without any negotiating with any offeror.

1.31 Contractual Terms and Conditions

The terms and conditions of any contract that results between LAKETRAN and the successful Proposer are discussed in Section 2. This will be a three year firm fixed-price contract.

1.32 Cost of Preparation

All costs incurred by any Proposer prior to notice-to-proceed will not be reimbursed by LAKETRAN.

1.33 Additional Information, Rejection

LAKETRAN reserves the right to request additional information from any Proposer, or none. It also reserves the right to reject any and all proposals without prior notice; to waive informalities and technicalities; to extend deadlines without notice; to negotiate directly with only those respondents deemed to be qualified according to the criteria on this RFP; and to enter into one, more than one, or no contracts as it shall deem to be in its best interests.

1.34 Terminology

The terms "proposal", "Invitation for Proposal", "IFB", "proposal", "Request for Proposals", "RFP", "bidder", "proposer", "contractor" and the like are used interchangeably throughout this IFB/RFP. Similarly, the terms "LAKETRAN", "buyer", "purchaser" and "Authority" are used interchangeably. All terms, including "his" and "his/her", are used in a gender-neutral manner.

1.35 Late Proposals

Proposals received by LAKETRAN after the exact time set for receipt in Section 1.2 above are

considered "late". Late proposals will be considered only if received before contract award, and the following objective, bona fide proof is submitted showing reason or cause for delay as follows:

1. It was sent by registered or certified mail not later than 5 calendar days before the proposal receipt date specified;
2. It was sent by mail and it is determined by LAKETRAN that the late receipt was due solely to mishandling by LAKETRAN after receipt; or
3. It was sent by an overnight express service not later than 5:00 PM at the place of mailing 1 working day prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals and is marked for delivery by next business morning. The term "working days" excludes weekends and holidays.

The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing by registered or certified mail is a U.S. or Canadian postmark both on the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service. Both must show a legible date or it shall be deemed to have been mailed late.

The only acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the Buyer's facility is the time/date stamp of such facility on the proposal wrapper or other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the facility.

The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing by an overnight express service is the date entered by the receiving clerk on the label.

1.36 Protests

It is the policy of LAKETRAN to prepare specifications for requests for proposals that are not discriminatory in nature. All solicitations are to be open and free to all competing vendors whereby all have a reasonable chance to be successful and be awarded a contract.

If a vendor feels that a particular solicitation is unfair for whatever reasons, the following procedure must be followed to register a proper protest and said procedure shall be a part of all solicitations:

STEP 1 - Protest must be made in writing and addressed to the General Manager no later than (1) three days before the scheduled proposal due date, (2) three days after the proposal opening, or (3) three days after contract award, as applicable. Such protest must cite what the solicitation was for, and for what reason the protest is lodged.

STEP 2 - The General Manager shall make all reasonable attempts to resolve the protest prior to the proposal opening or award of a contract, as applicable, and reserves the right to reschedule same if -at his discretion - deemed necessary. The General Manager must make his decision no later than ten (10) working days from date the protest is lodged.

STEP - If the protest is not satisfactorily resolved at Step 2, the person or firm making the protest may request a hearing with his legal counsel and LAKETRAN, with LAKETRAN's legal counsel serving as arbitrator on the matter. Request for such a hearing must be made within 15 working days of the original date the protest was filed.

The decision at Step 3 shall be final and binding on all parties.

If the vendor believes that LAKETRAN did not follow the above process, he/she may appeal to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) as follows:

Office of Program Management
Federal Transit Administration
Suite 320
200 West Adams Street
Chicago, IL 60606
(312) 353-2789

The Federal Transit Administration will hear appeals only where a local protest procedure does not exist or where the local procedure was not followed.

1.37 Addenda to RFP

LAKETRAN/APT reserves the right to amend the RFP at any time. Any amendments to the RFP shall be described in written addenda. Notification of the addenda also will be distributed to all prospective Proposers officially known to have received the RFP. Failure of any prospective Proposer to receive the notification or addenda shall not relieve the Proposer from any obligation under the RFP therein. All addenda issued shall become part of the RFP. Prospective Proposers shall acknowledge the receipt of each individual addendum in their Proposals on the form Acknowledgement of Addenda. Failure to acknowledge in the Proposal receipt of addenda may at the Agency's sole option disqualify the Proposal.

1.38 Notice of Commencement

Not Required.

2.0 TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN CONTRACT FORM

To reduce paper consumption, the standard terms and conditions which shall apply to this procurement are not contained here. They can be found in a separate document entitled "LAKETRAN Standard Contractual Terms and Conditions", which is available upon request. And is posted on our website at www.laketrans.com. LAKETRAN's Standard Terms and Conditions **are hereby incorporated by reference into and made a part of this IFB/RFP** just as if they were reproduced in their entirety here. Further, LAKETRAN's Standard Terms and Conditions are **extremely important, and are applicable to and binding upon** each bidder/proposer and will become **contractual to and binding upon** each successful bidder/proposer to whom a contract is awarded. **It is the bidder's/proposer's responsibility and obligation to have read and understood** LAKETRAN's Standard Terms and Conditions. A summary of these terms and conditions follows:

2.1	Independent Contractor	2.42	Davis Bacon Act (Prevailing Wage Rates for Construction Contracts)
2.2	Contractor's Obligation	2.43	Project Sign (Construction Projects Only)
2.3	Buyer's Obligation	2.44	Interest of Members or Delegates to Congress
2.4	Scope of Work	2.45	Conflict of Interest
2.5	Contract Period	2.46	False or Fraudulent Statements and Claims
2.6	Cost	2.47	No Federal Government Obligations to Third Parties
2.7	Performance Bond/Insurance	2.48	Privacy
2.8	Notice to Proceed	2.49	Procurement
2.9	Contract Modification	2.50	Special Requirements for Transit Service Contracts
2.10	Subcontract Approval	2.51	Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act as Amended (Construction Projects Only)
2.11	Substitution of Subcontractor/ Independent Contractor	2.52	Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act as Amended (Construction Projects Only)
2.12	Disadvantaged Business Enterprise	2.53	Seismic Safety (Construction Projects Only)
2.13	Equal Employment Opportunity	2.54	Hatch Act/Work Day and Work Week Standards (for Construction Contracts)
2.14	Noncompliance (EEO/DBE)	2.55	Cargo Preference
2.15	Delivery	2.56	Drug and Alcohol Testing
2.16	Payment	2.57	Clean Air
2.17	Liquidated Damages	2.58	Clean Water
2.18	Taxes	2.59	Energy Conservation
2.19	Inspection	2.60	Recycled Products
2.20	Explanations (Written and/or Oral)	2.61	Certifications
2.21	Audit and Inspection of Records	2.62	Compliance with Laws and Regulations
2.22	Right to Adjust Cost	2.63	Severability of Contract
2.23	Failure to Meet Specifications	2.64	Applicable Law and Jurisdiction
2.24	Quantity and Quality	2.65	Integrated Agreement
2.25	Warranties	2.66	Contractor's Representation
2.26	Indemnification	2.67	Laketrans's Understanding
2.27	Hold Harmless	2.68	OEM Part Numbers
2.28	Disputes	2.69	Options, Assignment by Laketrans
2.29	Rights Upon Breach	2.70	Non-Smoking Policy
2.30	Notification of Proceedings	2.71	Funding Agencies
2.31	Termination/Breach of Contract	2.72	Jurisdiction
2.32	Assignment	2.73	Promoting COVID-19 Safety
2.33	Covenant Against Contingent Fees	2.74	Notification of Legal Matters that affect the Federal Government
2.34	Patent Rights		
2.35	Release of Information		
2.36	Ownership of Documents		
2.37	Retention of Records		
2.38	Workmens' Compensation Act		
2.39	Social Securities Act/Unemployment Compensation, Etc.		
2.40	Federal Assistance		
2.41	Work Hours Act		

3.0 SCOPE OF WORK

Laketran seeks a contractor that can fabricate aluminum bracket for a flag-style bus stop sign. Laketran will work to replace old bus stop signage along our In-County Fixed Routes over a period of three (3) years. As grant funding becomes available, Laketran will purchase additional quantities of signs over the three (3) year period. Approximately 500 signs are due for replacement.

3.1 Sign Bracket Specifications

The bracket is a custom fabrication and not off the shelf.

- Dimensions:
 - 12” long
 - ¼” opening for sign panel
 - Bracket is 1 ¼” tall and 1” wide
 - Section 3.7 has pictures of the bracket and dimensions
- Aluminum bracket that will fit around a 2 3/8 O.D. galvanized steel pole
- Offset flag mount
- Aluminum bracket will secure a 12” x 18” or 12” x 24” aluminum sign panel to the steel pole
- The bracket and the sign must have three pre-drilled holes that fix the bottom of the signs with the bottom of the bracket
- Three pre-drilled holes at 5/16” diameter
 - First hole 1” from bottom, second hole 6” from top and bottom, third hole 1” from top edge all centered ½” from outer edge.

Pictures are provided for the bracket in Section 3.7.

3.2 Initial Order

Laketran’s initial order of brackets will be for the fabrication of 80 brackets.

3.3 Future Orders & Pricing

Laketran will award the contract to the responsive and responsible vendor with the highest evaluation score.

Brackets ordered under this contract must be uniform in dimension and quality. Consistency between orders is essential and brackets of poor workmanship will be not be accepted and will be returned at the contractor’s expense.

Laketran desires to enter into a three (3) year contract for the fabrication of sign brackets as our agency will continue to replace bus stop signage around the county. Orders for brackets will be placed annually or semi-annually as funding becomes available or need arises.

Laketrans will order brackets in quantities of no less than 25 per order.

Laketrans makes no commitment to order a total maximum number of brackets throughout the life of the contract.

3.4 Payment

Laketrans may be invoiced after the delivery of brackets. Laketrans will not pre-pay for work.

Laketrans is Net-30 organization.

3.5 Proposal

Proposals must contain the following:

- In order to effectively judge the quality of work, the proposer is required to provide one aluminum bracket.
 - Fabrication quality and welding quality will be evaluated.
 - Consistency with Laketrans's current sign program is important.
 - The quality of the submitted bracket is expected for all current and future orders.
- Estimated timeline for manufacture of the initial order of 80 brackets.
 - You are not being evaluated on timeline. Laketrans wants to understand lead times and production times. We understand the volatility of the market has lengthened lead times.
- Describe your capacity to do the work and qualifications including but not limited to: references or past experience, examples of past work, staff qualifications, equipment list.

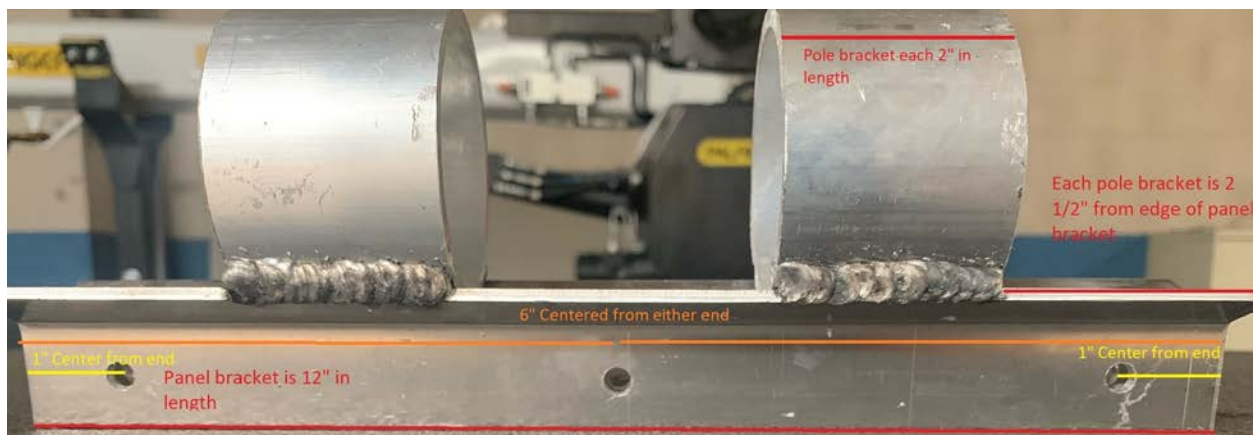
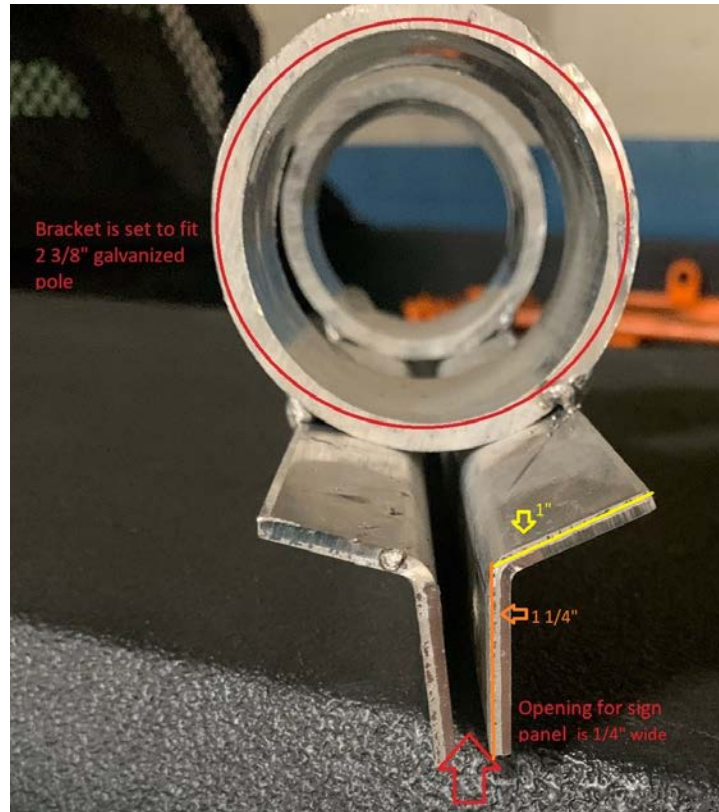
Failure to provide a sample bracket with your proposal will result in disqualification as this item is a condition of responsiveness.

3.6 Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated on the following factors to determine the best value for Laketrans.

	Maximum Points
Adherence to Laketrans's specifications	20
Quality of welding and overall construction	20
Qualifications of the proposer	10
References	10
Price	40
TOTAL POINTS	100

3.7 Photos of Bracket





4.0 REQUIRED FORMS

The following forms must be included with your Bid:

	# of Pages	Signature	Notary
Acknowledgement of Addenda	1	Yes	
Attachment A - Pricing Form	1	Yes	
Attachment B - Contact Information and References	1	Yes	
Attachment C - Lobbying Form	1	Yes	
Attachment D - Debarment Form	1	Yes	
Attachment E - Standard Project Assurances	1	Yes	Yes
Attachment F - Non-Collusion Form	1	Yes	Yes
Attachment G - Delinquent Personal Property Form	1	Yes	Yes
Attachment H - Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) <i>[Note: only complete if hiring subcontractors]</i>	1		
Attachment I - Bidder Registration Form	1	Yes	
W-9			
Certificate of Insurance			
Original and 2 copies of the bid/proposal and 1 electronic copy on USB or emailed to aaaby@laketrans.com			
Sample Bracket			

Any sub-contractors are required to complete Lower Tier Participant Forms Attachments			
<i>[only complete if there is any work being performed by sub-contractors]</i>			
	# of Pages	Signature	Notary
Attachment C2 - Lobbying Form	1	Yes	
Attachment D2 - Debarment Form	1	Yes	
Attachment E2 - Standard Project Assurances	1	Yes	Yes
Attachment F2 - Non-Collusion Form	1	Yes	Yes
Attachment G2 - Delinquent Personal Property Form	1	Yes	Yes

Bids shall be good for 90 days after bid opening. Bid price is based on payment of net 30 days. The undersigned understands that terms and conditions demanded other than those in Section 2.0, or listed or referred to above will render the bid unresponsive.

LAKETRAN reserves the right to award a unit price contract for the lowest, responsive and responsible bid/proposal that LAKETRAN deems is in its best interests. LAKETRAN further reserves the right to award one, more than one or no contracts as may be in its best interests.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDA

The undersigned acknowledges receipt of the following addenda to the document:

Addendum No. _____, Dated _____

Addendum No. _____, Dated _____

Addendum No. _____, Dated _____

Failure to acknowledge receipt of all addenda may cause the bid to be considered non-responsive to the solicitation. Acknowledged receipt of each addendum must be clearly established and included with the offer.

The undersigned understands that any conditions stated above, clarifications made to above or information submitted on or with this form other than that requested, will render bid unresponsive.

(Name of Individual, Partnership or Corporation)

(Address)

(Authorized Signature) (Title)

ATTACHMENT A - LAKETRAN PRICING FORM

	Unit Price	Total Cost for Qty. 25	Total Cost for Qty. 80
Aluminum sign bracket	\$		

Inflation Rate	%
2023	
2024	

Name _____

Company _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

Email: _____

Name of Authorized Individual: _____

Signature of Authorized Individual: _____

**ATTACHMENT B
CONTACT INFORMATION FORM**

LAKETRAN requires a primary point of contract and a back-up. Please list them below.

Primary Contact:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Back-up Contact:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

REFERNCES:

(only include references for work completed in the last 3 years)

Reference #1

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Work Completed: _____

Years of Service: _____

Reference #2

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Work Completed: _____

Years of Service: _____

Reference #3

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Work Completed: _____

Years of Service: _____

ATTACHMENT C
CERTIFICATION OF PRIMARY PARTICIPANTS
REGARDING RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYING

I, _____ (Name and Title of authorized official), hereby certify on behalf of _____ (Company Name) that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Executed this _____ day of _____ 20____

By _____
Signature of Authorized Official

Title of Authorized Official

**ATTACHMENT D
CERTIFICATION OF PRIMARY PARTICIPANT
REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER
RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS**

The Primary Participant (applicant for a potential contractor for a major third party contract), _____
_____ certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

1. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
2. Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
3. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (2) of this certification;
4. Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default; and
4. Are not included in the U. S. General Services Administration's List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement or Non-procurement Programs.

If the primary participant (applicant for a potential third party contractor) is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, the participant shall attach an explanation to this certification.

THE PRIMARY PARTICIPANT (APPLICANT FOR A POTENTIAL CONTRACTOR FOR A MAJOR THIRD PARTY CONTRACT), _____ CERTIFIES OR AFFIRMS THE TRUTHFULNESS AND ACCURACY OF THE CONTENTS OF THE STATEMENTS SUBMITTED ON OR WITH THIS CERTIFICATION AND UNDERSTANDS THAT THE PROVISIONS OF 31 U.S.C., SECTIONS 3801 ET SEQ. ARE APPLICABLE THERETO.

Signature and Title of Authorized Official

Date

ATTACHMENT E
CERTIFICATION OF PRIMARY PARTICIPANT
REGARDING STANDARD PROJECT ASSURANCES

The Primary Participant (applicant for a potential contractor for a major third party contract), _____
_____ certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

1. The Primary Participant hereby agrees that LAKETRAN has the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informality in any bid, to negotiate directly with only qualified respondents, to award one, more than one, or no contracts. Bidder further agrees it shall not dispute the correctness of the quantities used in computing the lowest and best bid.

2. If the Primary Participant is not the parent company, insert below the name and main office address of the parent company. (A parent company is one that owns at least a majority, fifty-one percent of the voting rights and/or assets in that company.) By execution of this section, the parent company acknowledges the Proposer is authorized to submit this Proposal on parent company's behalf.

Company Name _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Phone _____
Fax _____
E-mail _____
Website _____

3. Primary Participant hereby assures and certifies that it will comply with the Federal statutes, regulations, executive orders and requirements which relate to the applications made to and grants received from the Federal Transit Administration. Proposer acknowledges such statutes, regulations, Executive orders and administrative requirements include - but are not limited to - the following:

The Primary Participant certifies that it is not on the Controller General's list of ineligible contractors.

Primary Participant further acknowledges the provisions of Section 1001 of Title 18, U.S.C., apply to any assurance or submissions under this section.

Signature and Title of Authorized Official

Date

Notary Executes Here:

Taken, subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public

Notary Public in and for the County of _____, State of _____.

My commission expires _____.

ATTACHMENT F
CERTIFICATION OF PRIMARY PARTICIPANT
REGARDING NON-COLLUSION

This affidavit is to be filled out and executed by the Primary Participant; if a corporation makes the bid, then by its properly executed agent. The name of the individual swearing to the affidavit should always appear on the line marked "Name of Affidavit." The affidavit's capacity, when a partner or officer of a corporation, should be inserted on lines marked "Capacity." The affidavit should sign individual name at end not partnership or corporation name, and swear to said affidavit before a notary public, who must attach his/her seal.

State of _____,
County of _____,

I, _____ being first duly sworn, do hereby state that
(Name of Affidavit)

I am _____ of _____
(Capacity) (Name of Firm, Partnership, Corporation)

Whose business is _____

And who resides at _____

And that _____
(Give names of all persons, firms, or corporation interested in the bid)

is/are the only person(s) with me/us in the profits of the herein contained contract; that the contract is made without any connection or interest in the profits thereof with any persons making any bid or bid for said work; that the said contract is on my/our part, in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and also that no members of the Board of Trustees, head of any department or bureau, or employee therein, or any employee of the Authority, is directly or indirectly interested therein.

Signature and Title of Authorized Official

Date

Notary Executes Here:

Taken, subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public

Notary Public in and for the County of _____, State of _____.

My commission expires _____.

ATTACHMENT G
CERTIFICATION OF PRIMARY PARTICIPANT REGARDING
DELINQUENT PERSONAL PROPERTY STATEMENT

_____ (Primary Participant), hereby affirms under oath, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5719.042, that at the time the bid was submitted by _____ (company) **was / was not (please circle one)** charged with delinquent personal property taxes on the General Tax List of Personal Property for Lake County, Ohio.

If such charge for delinquent personal property tax exists on the General Tax List of Personal Property for Lake County, Ohio, the amount of such due and unpaid delinquent taxes, including due and unpaid penalties and interest shall be set forth below. A copy of this statement shall be transmitted to the Lake County Treasurer within thirty (30) days of the date it is submitted. If a contract is entered into, a copy of this statement shall also be incorporated into the contract between LAKETRAN and the Primary Participant and no payment shall be made with respect to any contract unless such statement has been so incorporated as a part thereof.

\$ _____ Delinquent Personal Property Tax *

\$ _____ Penalties *

\$ _____ Interest *

\$ _____ Total *

* Mark "N/A" if not applicable

Signature and Title of Authorized Official

Date

Notary Executes Here:

Taken, subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public

Notary Public in and for the County of _____, State of _____.

My commission expires _____.

ATTACHMENT H - DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) PROGRAM INFORMATION FOR BIDDERS

The only eligible source of Disadvantage Business Enterprise firms is the ODOT Unified Certification Program DBE directory:

<https://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/ODI/SDBE/Pages/DBE-Directory.aspx>

DBE Program Purpose:

The DBE program is a federal program operating under the guidance of the United States Department of Transportation (U.S. DOT). Authorization for the program comes from 49 Code of Federal Regulations Part 26 (49 CFR 26).

The overall goal of the DBE program is to ensure that firms owned and controlled by minorities, women, and other socially and economically disadvantaged persons have the opportunity to grow and become self-sufficient in order to create a level playing field on which they can compete fairly for contracts and subcontracts in the transportation industry.

Laketrans recognizes certifications only from the Ohio Department of Transportation Unified Certification Program (UCP).

Laketrans has set a 0 % DBE participation goal for this contract.

~~If a DBE goal has been established for this contract, all proposers/bidders must submit the following with their proposals/bids:~~

~~Enclosure 1— Schedule of Subcontractors~~

~~Enclosure 2— Declaration of Proposed DBE Utilization~~

~~Enclosure 3— Affidavit of DBE Intent to Perform as a Subcontractor/Supplier/Consultant~~

~~Enclosure 4— DBE Subcontractor/Consultant Good Faith Effort Log~~

LEGAL NOTICE:

Use of false, fraudulent or deceitful statements, representations or information by a prime contractor or subcontractor in furtherance of satisfying LAKETRAN's DBE Program requirements or objectives may subject the prime contractor, the subcontractor, or both to legal action pursuant to 49 CFR Part 26, including but not limited to 49 CFR 26.107, in addition to any other legal remedies available to LAKETRAN under the contract or pursuant to applicable law.

Laketrans Contact Person:

If you are in need of assistance, or have questions regarding LAKETRAN's DBE Program, please contact: Laketrans DBE Liaison Officer at 555 Lakeshore Blvd., Painesville Twp., OH 44077 or aaaby@laketrans.com.

ATTACHMENT I
LAKETRAN BIDDER REGISTRATION FORM

Per 49 CFR Part 26.11, Laketrans is required to collect the following information on contractors and sub-contractors who seek to work on Federally-assisted Contracts

Legal Name of Business _____

Contact Person's Name (first, last) _____

Age of your business (in years) _____

Type of Business (choose all that apply)

- | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising | <input type="checkbox"/> Fuel Systems and Technology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Functional Capacity Assessment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Auction Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Graphic Design |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Automobile Sales or Distributor | <input type="checkbox"/> HVAC |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycle | <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial Equipment & Components |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bus and Automobile Maintenance Products and Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Lawn & Landscaping |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bus Exterior Products/Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bus Interior Products/Services
faxes | <input type="checkbox"/> Office Products including printers and |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bus Manufacturer | <input type="checkbox"/> Printing Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bus Sales or Distributor | <input type="checkbox"/> Roofing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bus Technology | <input type="checkbox"/> Security Systems |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaning or Janitorial | <input type="checkbox"/> Signage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Services & IT | <input type="checkbox"/> Snowplowing & Snow Removal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction (includes Roofing, Windows, Cement, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Consulting Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Telecommunications |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Employment Agency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fare Collection and Fare Technology | <input type="checkbox"/> Transit Partner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Financial, Banking, & Auditing | <input type="checkbox"/> Uniforms & Shoes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fuel | <input type="checkbox"/> Utilities - electric, plumbing, sewer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other - describe using key words _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Vehicles (non-bus) |

Business Street Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip Code _____

Email Address _____ Website URL _____

Gross Annual Receipts – circle the category that best applies to your business. [A requirement per 49 CFR Part 26.11.]

\$0 - \$500,000 \$500,000 - \$1 million \$1 million - \$2 million \$2 million - \$ 5 million \$5 million or more

Is your business registered as a DBE? YES NO

The following forms are to be completed only by any sub-contractor(s) performing work on this project.

ATTACHMENT C-2
CERTIFICATION OF LOWER-TIER PARTICIPANTS
REGARDING RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYING

I, _____(Name and Title of Authorized Official), hereby certify on behalf of _____ (Name of Subcontractor) that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Executed this ____ day of _____, 20__.

By _____
Signature of Authorized Official

Title of Authorized Official

ATTACHMENT D-2
CERTIFICATION OF LOWER-TIER PARTICIPANTS REGARDING
DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER
RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS

The Lower Tier Participant (potential subcontractor under a major third party contract) _____, certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

1. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
2. Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
3. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (2) of this certification;
4. Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default; and
5. Are not included in the U. S. General Services Administration's List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement or Non-procurement Programs.

If the Lower Tier Participant (potential subcontractor under a major third party contract) is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

THE LOWER-TIER PARTICIPANT (POTENTIAL SUBCONTRACTOR UNDER A MAJOR THIRD PARTY CONTRACT), _____, CERTIFIES OR AFFIRMS THE TRUTHFULNESS AND ACCURACY OF THE CONTENTS OF THE STATEMENTS SUBMITTED ON OR WITH THIS CERTIFICATION AND UNDERSTANDS THAT THE PROVISIONS OF 31 U.S.C., SECTIONS 3801 ET SEQ. ARE APPLICABLE THERETO.

Signature and Title of Authorized Official

Date

**ATTACHMENT E-2
CERTIFICATION OF LOWER-TIER PARTICIPANT
REGARDING STANDARD PROJECT ASSURANCES**

The Lower Tier Participant (applicant for a potential subcontractor for a major third party contract), _____
_____ certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

1. The Lower Tier Participant hereby agrees that LAKETRAN has the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informality in any bid, to negotiate directly with only qualified respondents, to award one, more than one, or no contracts. Bidder further agrees it shall not dispute the correctness of the quantities used in computing the lowest and best bid.
2. If the Lower Tier Participant is not the parent company, insert below the name and main office address of the parent company. (A parent company is one that owns at least a majority, fifty-one percent of the voting rights and/or assets in that company.) By execution of this section, the parent company acknowledges the Proposer is authorized to submit this Proposal on parent company's behalf.

Company Name _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Phone _____
Fax _____
E-mail _____
Website _____

3. Lower Tier Participant hereby assures and certifies that it will comply with the Federal statutes, regulations, executive orders and requirements which relate to the applications made to and grants received from the Federal Transit Administration. Proposer acknowledges such statutes, regulations, Executive orders and administrative requirements include - but are not limited to - the following:

The Lower Tier Participant certifies that it is not on the Controller General's list of ineligible contractors. The Lower Tier Participant further acknowledges the provisions of Section 1001 of Title 18, U.S.C., apply to any assurance or submissions under this section.

Signature and Title of Authorized Official

Date

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Taken, subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public

Notary Public in and for the County of _____, State of _____.

My commission expires _____.

**ATTACHMENT F-2
CERTIFICATION OF LOWER-TIER PARTICIPANT
REGARDING NON-COLLUSION**

This affidavit is to be filled out and executed by the Lower Tier Participant; if a corporation makes the bid, then by its properly executed agent. The name of the individual swearing to the affidavit should always appear on the line marked "Name of Affidavit." The affidavit's capacity, when a partner or officer of a corporation, should be inserted on lines marked "Capacity." The affidavit should sign individual name at end not partnership or corporation name, and swear to said affidavit before a notary public, who must attach his/her seal.

State of _____,
County of _____,

I, _____ being first duly sworn, do hereby state that
(Name of Affidavit)

I am _____ of _____
(Capacity) (Name of Firm, Partnership, Corporation)

whose business is _____

and who resides at _____

and that _____
(Give names of all persons, firms, or corporation interested in the bid)

is/are the only person(s) with me/us in the profits of the herein contained contract; that the contract is made without any connection or interest in the profits thereof with any persons making any bid or bid for said work; that the said contract is on my/our part, in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and also that no members of the Board of Trustees, head of any department or bureau, or employee therein, or any employee of the Authority, is directly or indirectly interested therein.

Signature and Title of Authorized Official

Date

Notary Executes Here:

Taken, subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public

Notary Public in and for the County of _____, State of _____.

My commission expires _____.

ATTACHMENT G-2
CERTIFICATION OF LOWER-TIER PARTICIPANT REGARDING
DELINQUENT PERSONAL PROPERTY STATEMENT

_____ (Lower-Tier Participant), hereby affirms under oath, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5719.042, that at the time the bid was submitted by _____ (company) **was / was not (please circle one)** charged with delinquent personal property taxes on the General Tax List of Personal Property for Lake County, Ohio.

If such charge for delinquent personal property tax exists on the General Tax List of Personal Property for Lake County, Ohio, the amount of such due and unpaid delinquent taxes, including due and unpaid penalties and interest shall be set forth below. A copy of this statement shall be transmitted to the Lake County Treasurer within thirty (30) days of the date it is submitted. If a contract is entered into, a copy of this statement shall also be incorporated into the contract between LAKETRAN and the Lower-Tier Participant and no payment shall be made with respect to any contract unless such statement has been so incorporated as a part thereof.

\$ _____ Delinquent Personal Property Tax *

\$ _____ Penalties *

\$ _____ Interest *

\$ _____ Total *

* Mark "N/A" if not applicable

Signature and Title of Authorized Official

Date

Notary Executes Here:

Taken, subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Notary Public

Notary Public in and for the County of _____, State of _____.

My commission expires _____.