



## JEFFERSON COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

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### Addendum to IFB

IFB NUMBER: IFB 25-073/CG

IFB TITLE: Re-Bid Term Contract for Prisoner Transportation Services for Jefferson County

IFB DUE BY: 11:00am, CST, Wednesday, January 14, 2026

ADDENDUM NO.: 1

ISSUED (DATE): December 30, 2025

**To Bidder:** This Addendum is an integral part of the IFB package under consideration by you as a Bidder in connection with the subject matter herein identified. Jefferson County deems all sealed bids to have been proffered in recognition and consideration of the entire IFB Specifications Package – *including all addenda*. For purposes of clarification, **receipt of this present Addendum by a Bidder should be evidenced by returning it (signed) as part of the Bidder's sealed bid submission.** If the bid submission has already been received by the Jefferson County Purchasing Department, Bidder should return this addendum in a separate sealed envelope, clearly marked with the IFB Title, IFB Number, and IFB Opening Date and Time, as stated above.

### Reason for Issuance of this Addendum: Vendor Questions

**The information included herein is hereby incorporated into the documents of this present bid matter and supersedes any conflicting documents or portion thereof previously issued.**

Receipt of this Addendum is hereby acknowledged by the undersigned Respondent:

**ATTEST:**

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Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness

Approved by \_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature (Respondent)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of Person Signing Above

\_\_\_\_\_  
Typed Name of Business or Individual

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address



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1. **Question:** The governing bodies for prisoner transportation and extradition companies are the US Department of Transportation (USDOT), Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), and the US Department of Justice (USDOJ)? Will **Jefferson County** acknowledge the guidelines and laws set forth by these departments?

**Answer: See Scope of project on page 43 Section 4.0**

2. **Question:** Will **Jefferson County** require that vendors meet all requirements for limits on continuous travel hours and miles as governed by the FMCSA (Section 395.5 (a))? If so, will vendors be required to submit drivers logs to verify that they conform to those requirements?

**Answer: See section 4.2.7 on page 45. Logs will be required to submit upon request.**

3. **Question:** Will **Jefferson County** require vendors to have a Satisfactory Audit Rating from the FMCSA, which measures the vendor's compliance with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations?

**Answer: See \*Notation on Section B: Additional Requirements on page 50.**

4. **Question:** Proof of Authority to Operate is provided by a transport company being issued a Motor Carrier Number (MC #) by the FMCSA. This allows transport vendors to cross state lines with inmates in their custody. Will **Jefferson County** acknowledge and require an active Motor Carrier Number?

**Answer: Contractor must comply with all applicable Federal Regulations. See Question and answer #1 and #3.**

5. **Question:** Does **Jefferson County** realize that to be in compliance with the FMCSA, vendors are required to carry Automobile Liability: If transporting in a vehicle rated for 15 passengers or less, minimum coverage of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) per occurrence combined single limit for automobile liability and property damage; and/or: If transporting in a vehicle rated for 16 passengers or more, minimum coverage shall be five million dollars (\$5,000,000) per occurrence combined single limit for automobile liability and property damage?

**Answer: See Section 3, #10 on pages 38-39**

6. **Question:** If a vendor states they transport 8 passengers or less in a vehicle that was designed to carry more passengers, will **Jefferson County** uphold the FMCSA Regulation 383.5 which states, "designed to carry" vehicles refer to the number of designated seats as originally designed? Meaning if a vendor states they only carry 8 passengers on a vehicle, but that vehicle was originally designed to carry 9-15



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passengers, will **Jefferson County** follow federal guidelines and require that vendor to have a Motor Carrier number?

**Answer: See Question and Answer #1 and #3.**

7. **Question:** Will **Jefferson County** check the VIN numbers of vendors vehicles to confirm their vehicles are compliant with FMCSA Regulation 383.5?

**Answer: See Section 4.1.4**

8. **Question:** Does **Jefferson County** require vendors to have been in business for a specific number of years to ensure company stability?

**Answer: No**

9. **Question:** I have a question about the DOT and FMCSA requirement because my company is just transporting patients, and the vehicle we have does not require us to have a DOT number, so my questions is it possible that we rebid on this contract, and if awarded, then we can get all the necessary DOT requirement provide it before we start transporting prisoners

**Answer: The successful vendor will be expected to commence with Prisoner Transport as needed following contract execution in accordance with Section 4: Minimum Specifications starting on page 43.**