



City of Tacoma

## Questions and Answers

### **RUNNING REPAIR AGENT** RFP Specification No. **TR25-0042F**

All interested parties had the opportunity to submit questions in writing by email to Sara Bird, Senior Buyer by March 22, 2025. The answers to the questions received are provided below and posted to the City's website at [www.TacomaPurchasing.org](http://www.TacomaPurchasing.org). Navigate to [Current Contracting Opportunities / Services Solicitations](#), and then click *Questions and Answers* for this Specification. This information IS NOT considered an addendum. Respondents should consider this information when submitting their proposals.

- 1. Question: Can we provide our company personnel's experience and our existing customer histories and references to establish this minimum experience criteria? Or is not having the minimum "company" experience element a disqualifying circumstance for the prospective bidder who does not meet this criterion?**

Answer: **Qualifications/Experience of Respondent: 15 points**

**A.** Describe the technical capabilities and expertise of your firm, including capability and capacity to perform any necessary fabrication and/or other repairs to freight railcars to expeditiously meet applicable regulatory and industry standards minimizing bad order dwell time.

**B.** Describe the experience your firm has had within the last five years in performing rail car inspections and repair services and performing Initial-Terminal air brake tests as prescribed by the Code of Federal Regulations and the Association of American Railroads (AAR) guidelines. Include the types of work conducted, the contracting organization, location of work, dates, etc.

The above is a component of the scoring criteria, with a total of 15 points available. Bidders will be evaluated based on their submitted responses. Failure to meet the qualification requirements does not disqualify a vendor from being considered a responsive bidder.