



**LEGAL NOTICE**

**IFP 2021-15**

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 164, § 56D, the Reading Municipal Light Department (or "RMLD") seeks proposals for the purchase of the following:

**MATERIAL HANDLER TRUCK WITH TRADE-IN**

Sealed proposals shall be submitted to the Reading Municipal Light Department, 230 Ash Street, Reading, MA 01867, ATTN: Purchasing Department, no later than **12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 2, 2021**, via USPS mail or delivered to the white mailbox in the visitor parking lot of the same address. Proposals will be opened after receipt deadline and, due to the RMLD Office being closed to the public in light of the Covid-19 restrictions, read aloud while being recorded. The Proposal results will be published on the RMLD Website after the proposal opening and sent to Proposers. *Proposals received after the time of the above-stated deadline will not be accepted.*

Proposal documents and proposal forms may be obtained via email request to Maureen Sullivan at [msullivan@rml.com](mailto:msullivan@rml.com). For questions or further information, please contact Maureen Sullivan at 781-942-6441.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check payable to the RMLD for a sum not less than 5% of the total amount of the proposal. In lieu of a check, a bid/proposal bond may be submitted in an amount not less than 5% of the total amount of the bid, unless otherwise stated. The bid/proposal bond must be from a corporate surety licensed to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, conditioned that the proposer will pay the RMLD, as liquidated damages, the amount specified in the bond unless the proposer enters into a contract in accordance with the proposal. If the proposer fails to enter into the contract or furnish any required bonds, insurance documents, or other required documents within ten (10) days from the date on which the proposer is notified that the proposal has been accepted, the amount of the check or bid/proposal bond shall be forfeited to the RMLD.

RMLD specifically reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive deviations and informalities, to negotiate terms, to purchase items from multiple vendors, or to accept any proposal, even if it is not the lowest priced proposal, and award the contract(s) which is (are) deemed to be in its best interest, as determined by RMLD in its sole discretion. RMLD also reserves the right to purchase the equipment from a statewide contract or other procurement options authorized by G.L. c. 30B.

No agreement shall be valid or binding unless duly executed by RMLD or RMLD issues a purchase order signed by an authorized representative of the RMLD.

RMLD will make reasonable efforts to review and process proposals promptly. However, RMLD shall not be liable for any delays in acting on a proposal.