Dear Transit Partners,

I want to clarify something that was discussed during the previous transit call on 09/11/2024 where we stated that NCDOA contracts were missing FTA/NCDOT Clauses amongst other requirements. We have since researched this more specific to the Propane Conversion Kit Contract (NC STC 557A) and determined that this contract was procured by NCDOA and NCDOT-PTD in 2018 and it does meet all requirements. Because it was executed in 2018, it is missing some current clauses that will be addressed soon, but our transit agencies can still utilize this contract for this need currently. NCDOA has renewed the terms several times in recent years and months while starting the process of going back out for bids. They have assured us however that this contract will not close until a new one is in place.

We are now starting to work with NCDOA on a new Propane Conversion Kit RFP that will go out in the near future. A workgroup of transit agencies that utilize this contract or would like to utilize it, will be assembled soon for feedback.

Please also remember that you can add this as an option to vehicle purchases as another option of utilizing this technology.

Lastly, this is not the case for most other NCDOA contracts. Most do not have FTA/NCDOT clauses and do not meet the requirements for Federal Funding through IMD. If you see a contract on their website that you would like to use, if you are considering using funding through IMD, please reach out to Bernard Clark, Chris Dodson or myself so that we can discuss whether or not it can be used and what your options are.

Thank you!

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