

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
VA101V-17-Q-0203

NOTE: All answers are in bold

1. Does the VA have a preference of cellular carriers?

No, the VA will leave this up to the Contractor to select based on vehicle location, cellular service coverage, availability, etc.

2. In using the Cascading Procedures for award, is submission of an offer limited to only small business, or can large businesses submit a bid?

This requirement is 100% set-aside for small business. Offers received from large businesses will not be considered.

3. Will the VA consider self-installing the devices? The plug N play OBDII devices required for this type of data can be easily plugged in by any person. They can be preprogrammed and sent out already configured for each vehicle. Please specify if self-installation is an option, this will keep the price down considerably. The VA vehicles are spread out and this will be the main initial cost if the awarded vendor has to go to each location to install.

No, at this time self-installation is not an option that will be accepted by the VA. Please note though that the installation requirements have changed, and the solicitation has been updated to reflect the new requirements.

4. There is a requirement for emission data. Will you consider bids that do not include this function?

No, the VA will not consider offers that do not include this function, as emission data is required per EO 13693.

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