

TOWN OF GLASTONBURY

INVITATION TO BID

<u>BID #</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DATE & TIME REQUIRED</u>
GL-2010-29	Snow Plows – Two (2) Blizzard Plows	December 30, 2009 @ 11:00 a.m.

Bid forms may be obtained at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Town Hall, 2155 Main Street, Glastonbury, Connecticut 06033 (second level) or on the Town's website at www.glastonbury-ct.gov.

The Town reserves the right to waive informalities or reject any part of, or the entire bid, when said action is deemed to be in the best interest of the Town. All sealed bids must be submitted to the Office of the Purchasing Agent no later than the time and date indicated. All bids will be publicly opened and read.

Mary F. Visone
Purchasing Agent

Information for Bidders
Snow Plows – Two (2) Blizzard Plows

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1. Sealed bids (**one original and one copy**) on the attached Bid Forms will be received at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Town Hall, 2155 Main Street, Glastonbury, Connecticut 06033 (second level). At the designated time of opening, they will be publicly opened, read, recorded and placed on file.
2. Whenever it is deemed to be in the best interest of the Town, the Town Manager, Purchasing Agent or designated representative shall waive informalities in any and all bids. The right is reserved to reject any bid, or any part of any bid, when such action is deemed to be in the best interest of the Town of Glastonbury.
3. The award of the bid will be based on the total cost of the body selected by the Town plus any options chosen by the Town.
4. Bids will be carefully evaluated as to conformance with stated specifications.
5. **The envelope enclosing your bid should be clearly marked by bid number, time of bid opening and date.**
6. Specifications must be submitted complete in every detail, and when requested, samples shall be provided. If a bid involves any exception from stated specifications, they must be clearly noted as exceptions, underlined, and attached to the bid.
7. The Bid Documents contain the provisions required for the requested item. Information obtained from an officer, agent, or employee of the Town or any other person shall not affect the risks or obligations assumed by the Bidder or relieve him/her from fulfilling any of the conditions of the Bid.
8. Each bidder is held responsible for the examination and/or to have acquainted themselves with any conditions at the job site which would affect their work before submitting a bid. Failure to meet this criteria shall not relieve the Bidder of the responsibility of completing the Bid without extra cost to the Town of Glastonbury.
9. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for the opening of bids or authorized postponement thereof. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. No bidder may withdraw a bid within sixty (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof. Should there be reasons why a Bid cannot be awarded within the specified period, the time may be extended by mutual agreement between the Town and the bidder.
10. **THIS ITEM WAIVED:** Each bid must be accompanied by a bid bond payable to the Town for ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the bid. The bid bond of the successful bidder will be retained until the payment bond and performance bond have been executed and approved, after which it will be returned. A certified check may be used in lieu of a bid bond. The Town of Glastonbury will not be liable for the accrual of any interest on any certified check submitted. Cashier's checks will not be accepted.
11. **THIS ITEM WAIVED:** A 100% Performance and Payment bonds are required of the successful bidder. This bond shall cover all aspects of the specification and shall be delivered to the Purchasing Agent prior to the issuance of a purchase order. The Performance and Payment Bonds will be returned upon the delivery and acceptance of the bid items.
12. The bidder agrees and warrants that in the submission of this sealed bid, they will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, or physical disability including, but not limited to blindness, unless it is shown by such bidder that such disability prevents performance of that which must be done to successfully fulfill the terms of this sealed bid or in any manner which is prohibited by the laws of the United States or the State of Connecticut: and further agrees to provide the Human Relations Commission with such information requested by the Commission concerning the employment practices and procedures of the bidder. An Affirmative Action Statement will be required by the successful bidder.

13. Bidder agrees to comply with all of the latest Federal and State Safety Standards and Regulations and certifies that all work required in this bid will conform to and comply with said standards and regulations. Bidder further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Town for all damages assessed against the Town as a result of Bidder's failure to comply with said standards and/or regulations.
14. All correspondence regarding any purchase made by the Town of Glastonbury shall reference the Town's purchase order number. Each shipping container shall clearly indicate both Town purchase order number and item number.
15. Bidder is required to review the Town of Glastonbury Code of Ethics adopted July 8th, 2003 and effective August 1, 2003. Bidder shall acknowledge that they have reviewed the document in the area provided on the bid / proposal response page (BP). The selected Bidder will also be required to complete and sign an Acknowledgement Form prior to award. The Code of Ethics and the Consultant Acknowledgement Form can be accessed at the Town of Glastonbury website at www.glastonbury-ct.gov. Upon entering the website click on **Bids & RFPs**, which will bring you to the links for the **Code of Ethics** and the **Consultant Acknowledgement Form**. If the Bidder does not have access to the internet a copy of these documents can be obtained through the Purchasing Department at the address listed within this bid / proposal.

16. Non Resident Contractors (IF APPLICABLE)

The Town is required to report names of nonresident (out of state) Contractors to the State of Connecticut, Department of Revenue Services (DRS) to ensure that Employment Taxes and other applicable taxes are being paid by Contractors. **Upon award, all nonresident contractors must furnish a five percent (5%) sales tax guarantee bond (state form AU-766), or a cash bond for 5% of the total contract price (state form AU-72) to DRS even though this project is exempt from most sales and use taxes.**

See State Notice to Nonresident Contractors SN 2005(12). If the above bond is not provided the Town is required to withhold 5% from Contractor's payments and forward it to the State DRS.

Contractor must promptly furnish to the Town a copy of the **Certificate of Compliance** issued by the State DRS.

17. Bidder shall include on a sheet(s) attached to its proposal a complete disclosure of all past and pending mediation, arbitration and litigation cases that the bidder or its principals (regardless of their place of employment) have been involved in for the most recent five years. Please include a statement of the issues in dispute and their resolution. Acceptability of Bidder based upon this disclosure shall lie solely with the Town.
18. Bidder or its principals, regardless of their place of employment, shall not have been convicted of, nor entered any plea of guilty, or nolo contendere, or otherwise have been found civilly liable or criminally responsible for any criminal offense or civil action. Bidder shall not be in violation of any State or local ethics standards or other offenses arising out of the submission of bids or proposals, or performance of work on public works projects or contracts.
19. **It is the responsibility of the bidder to check the Town's website before submitting bid for any addendums posted prior to bid opening.**
20. The Town of Glastonbury is dedicated to waste reduction and the practice of using and promoting the use of recycled and environmentally preferable products. Bidders are encouraged to submit bids responses that are printed double-sided (except for the signed proposal page) on recycled paper, and to use paper dividers to organize the bid for review. All bid pages should be secured with a binder clip, staple or elastic band, and shall not be submitted in plastic binders or covers, nor shall the bid contain any plastic inserts or pages. We appreciate your efforts towards a greener environment.

IMPORTANT: Failure to comply with general rules may result in disqualification of the bidder.

INSURANCE

The Bidder shall, at its own expense and cost, obtain and keep in force during the entire duration of the Project or Work the following insurance coverage covering the Bidder and all of its agents, employees and sub-contractors and other providers of services and shall name the **Town and the Board of Education its employees and agents as an Additional Insured** on a primary and non-contributory basis to the Bidders Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policies. **These requirements shall be clearly stated in the remarks section on the Bidders Certificate of Insurance.** Insurance shall be written with Carriers approved in the State of Connecticut and with a minimum Best's Rating of A-. In addition, all Carriers are subject to approval by the Town. Minimum Limits and requirements are stated below:

1) Worker's Compensation Insurance:

- Statutory Coverage
- Employer's Liability
- \$100,000 each accident/\$500,000 disease-policy limit/\$100,000 disease each employee

2) Commercial General Liability:

- Including Premises & Operations, Products and Completed Operations, Personal and Advertising Injury, Contractual Liability and Independent Contractors.
- Limits of Liability for Bodily Injury and Property Damage
Each Occurrence \$1,000,000
Aggregate \$2,000,000 (The Aggregate Limit shall apply separately to each job.)
- A Waiver of Subrogation shall be provided

3) Automobile Insurance:

- Including all owned, hired, borrowed and non-owned vehicles
- Limit of Liability for Bodily Injury and Property Damage:
Per Accident \$1,000,000

The Bidder shall direct its Insurer to provide a Certificate of Insurance to the Town before any work is performed. The Certificate shall specify that the Town shall receive 30 days advance written notice of cancellation or non-renewal. The Certificate shall evidence all required coverage including the Additional Insured and Waiver of Subrogation. The Bidder shall provide the Town copies of any such policies upon request.

INDEMNIFICATION

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Bidder shall indemnify and hold harmless the Town and its consultants, agents, and employees from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses, direct, indirect or consequential (including but not limited to fees and charges of engineers, attorneys and other professionals and court and arbitration costs) arising out of or resulting from the performance of the Bidder's work, provided that such claim, damage, loss or expense is caused in whole or in part by any negligent act or omission by the Bidder, or breach of its obligations herein or by any person or organization directly or indirectly employed or engaged by the Bidder to perform or furnish either of the services, or anyone for whose acts the Bidder may be liable, regardless of whether or not it is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder.

Bid Proposal
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1.0 GENERAL PURPOSE

The Parks & Recreation Department is seeking bids for the purchase of two (2) snow plows installed on 2010 Ford F350 cab and chassis'.

2.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

- a. The Town reserves the right to accept or reject individual items when it is deemed in the best interest of the Town. The Town may either purchase all of the items listed, or select from those listed.
- b. The Town reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities.
- c. Bids will be carefully evaluated as to their conformance with stated specifications. There are no approved equals.
- d. Colors for all items listed will be selected by the Director of Parks & Recreation.
- e. Unit price quoted should include freight charges. All items are F.O.B. Glastonbury, CT 06033.
- f. Any technical questions pertaining to the bid should be directed to Gregory A. Foran, Parks Superintendent, Parks & Recreation, 2155 Main Street, Glastonbury, CT 06033, (860) 652-7686 or gregory.foran@glastonbury-ct.gov.
- g. Any procedural questions pertaining to the bid should be directed Mary F. Visone, Purchasing Agent, 2155 Main Street, Glastonbury, CT 06033 (860) 652-7588.

3.0 EQUIPMENT LIST

<u>Item</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
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1	<u>Snow Plows</u>	(2)
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Blizzard 2010 Model 8100 PP snow plows to fit model 2010 F-350 pickup trucks to include full assembly of all mounting of frame, controls, markings and pedestal joysticks. Vendor is to assure compatibility with the truck in all aspects including weight, and conformance with the warranties on the trucks and the plows. Successful vendor must provide evidence of similar installations, parts availability and emergency contact numbers and hours of operation during storms.

Bidder Proposes: _____

Options:

2.	<u>Hand-held controller in lieu of base bid.</u>	(2)
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Bidder Proposes: _____

3.	<u>Power Plow Rubber Snow Deflector</u>	(2)
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Bidder Proposes: _____

4.	<u>Emergency Parts Kit</u>	(2)
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Bidder Proposes: _____

4.0 REQUIRED CERTIFICATIONS

Vendors must submit the following certifications with their bid proposal.

- a. In addition to the Bid Proposal, each vendor is required to return a copy of the Detailed Specifications with the Bidder Proposes section completed for each item. There are no “approved equals”.
- b. A copy of the manufacturer’s warranty must be submitted with the bid proposal.
- c. A list of references of similar recent installations within the last 3 years.

5.0 DISCOUNTS

All prices to include appropriate municipal/school discounts, State Contract or GSA pricing or any other discounts in effect at the time of the bid proposal. Please note that the Town of Glastonbury is exempt from all Federal, State and Local sales taxes.

6.0 DELIVERY

It is the intent of the Town of Glastonbury to award the bid within 14 days of the bid opening or less. Please state the number of days to completed installation from receipt of an order in the space provided on the Bid Proposal page.

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Proposal of _____ (hereinafter called “Bidder”), organized and existing under the laws of the State of _____, doing business as _____.

To the Town of Glastonbury (hereinafter called “Town”).

In compliance with your Invitation to Bid, the Bidder hereby proposes to furnish materials and/or services as per Bid Number GL-2010-29 in strict accordance with the Bid Documents, within the time set forth therein, and at the prices stated below.

By submission of this bid, the Bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to their own organization that this bid has been arrived at independently without consultation, communication, or agreement as to any matter relating to this bid with any other Bidder or with any competitor.

The Bidder acknowledges receipt of the following Addendum:

Addendum #1 _____

Addendum #2 _____

Addendum #3 _____

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BID PROPOSAL

<u>Item</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Unit Cost</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
1	2	Ea	2010 Blizzard Model 8100 PP Snow Plows Base Bid	\$ _____ \$ _____	\$ _____

Written Amount: _____

Options:

2	2	Ea	Hand-help Controller in Lieu of Pedestal Mount.	\$ _____	\$ _____
3	2	Ea	Power Plow Rubber Snow Deflector	\$ _____	\$ _____
4	2	Ea	Emergency Parts Kits	\$ _____	\$ _____

- In addition to the Bid Proposal, each vendor is required to return a copy of the Detailed Specifications **with the Bidder Proposes section completed for each item.**
- Please specify the number of days required for completed installation and delivery after receipt of an order. _____ Days
- Manufacturer’s Warranty Enclosed _____Yes _____No
- Completed Detailed Specifications Enclosed _____Yes _____No
- References of Similar Installations Enclosed _____Yes _____No
- Installation Complies with Limits on Weight of Vehicles _____Yes _____No
- Installation Conforms to Warranties of Plow Manufacturing and Truck Manufacturing _____Yes _____No

CODE OF ETHICS:

I / We have reviewed a copy of the Town of Glastonbury's Code of Ethics and agree to submit a Consultant Acknowledgement Form if I /We are selected. Yes _____ No _____ *

***Bidder is advised that effective August 1, 2003, the Town of Glastonbury cannot consider any bid or proposal where the bidder has not agreed to the above statement.**

_____ Please check here to indicate that bidder has checked for addendums prior to bid submission. Addendums if any shall be acknowledged in the space provided on the BP-1 page.

(Signature of Bidder)

(Telephone)

(Name of Bidder)

(Fax Number)

By: _____
(Title)

(SS* or TIN#)

(Business Address)

(E-mail Address)

(City, State & Zip)