2027 Fuel Consortium Questions

Tartan Oil

1. Please provide the bid tabulations from the most recent diesel and gasoline fuel contract award, or identify where those records may be accessed online.

This will be posted as Addendum 1 at: https://acrta.com/doing-business-rta/

2. Please confirm whether the 2,500-gallon diesel tank at the City of Lima Utilities facility is capable of receiving a split transport load, or if tank wagon delivery is required for that location.

It is capable of receiving the transport truck with split load, tank wagon is not needed.

3. Please provide a sample Bill of Lading and/or delivery ticket currently accepted by ACRTA and the consortium members for fuel deliveries.

This will be posted as Addendum 2.

4. For OPIS-indexed pricing (Bid Forms #2 and #3), please confirm whether the referenced OPIS benchmark is based on Gross Rack Average or Net Rack Average pricing.

   Gross Rack Average.

5. Will the Consortium accept pricing based on Same-Day (SD) 10:00 AM OPIS Gross Average plus a fixed differential as an alternative pricing methodology?

No, the contract calls for using the fictitious OPIS Index price of $.5000/gallon plus the differential to alleviate any confusion in bidder's price.

6. Please confirm the deadline for submission of bidder questions and whether responses will be distributed to all plan holders and posted online.

Deadline for questions will be 12/1/2026. All questions from bidders with the responses will be posted online.

7. Will emailed bid submissions be accepted, or are bidders required to submit hard-copy proposals and bid forms only?

ACRTA will accept emailed bid submissions at teresa@acrta.com.

8. Please confirm the standard payment terms applicable to all consortium members (e.g., Net 30, Net 45, Net 60).

   ACRTA is NET 30, so are Shawnee Schools, AC Engineers, and Lima City Schools.

9. Please confirm that the requested gasoline product is regular 87-octane gasoline containing approximately 10% ethanol (E10) and that no ethanol-free gasoline is required under this contract.

No ethanol-free gasoline is required under this contract.

10. Please confirm whether vendor-generated OPIS pricing verification letters may be provided in lieu of copyrighted OPIS publications if supporting documentation is requested for contract administration purposes.

This is confirmed.

11. Please confirm whether all consortium locations are capable of receiving transport-load deliveries or identify any locations that require tank wagon deliveries.

All consortium locations are capable of receiving transport-load deliveries.

Petroleum Traders

Are extensions by mutual agreement between the contractor and the vendor?

Yes.

When will bid tabulations be available?

By 4:00 pm, Dec. 4th.

If we were to insert any conditions into our alternate firm fixed bid, would they be taken into consideration or rejected? Sample attached, please indicate which clauses would be acceptable, and which clauses would be cause for rejection?

Sample clauses will be uploaded to ACRTA website as Addendum 3. Clause #4 would be cause for the bid to be rejected, it is a required FTA clause to have the termination for convenience and ACRTA accepts funding from FTA.

How long after the bid opening are we required to hold our firm pricing before the recommendation? Do you intend to award within the hour as you have in the past?

We would like firm fixed pricing to be held until Monday, December 7th to give all members of the consortium time to lock in pricing. After that, revised pricing is to be faxed every Wednesday and Friday until consortium members lock in their pricing. Award should be done within the hour.

Can pricing be emailed instead of faxed? If so to what email address?

Yes, to teresa@acrta.com.

Will all locked in gallons be guaranteed to be used on the contract?

Yes.

Given that current market prices are fluctuating frequently, it is impractical to hold our price until Monday. If the price is not locked in Friday, would you allow us to start sending updated pricing on Monday, as was permitted last bid?

Although we would prefer the firm fixed price be held, we can understand the need for adaptability with the current market. This will be allowed.

Do you want applicable taxes included in the bid margin? We show the following taxes are applicable for gas: .001 federal lust, .003857 federal superfund, .0001 for state motor and .0197665 for OH PAT tax. For diesel I show the following applicable taxes: .001 federal lust, .004286 federal superfund, .0001 state motor fuel and .0241280 for OH PAT tax. Please note the state motor fuel is currently occurring at a reduced rate until 1/3/2027.

Bid prices are to be exclusive of taxes.

Petroleum Traders Corporation would like to formally request under the state open records law copies of TWO (2) INVOICES PER MONTH from your current gasoline and diesel contract delivered by your current vendor(s) and corresponding bill of ladings. Please only send the most recent 12 months. Bids are due Dec 4, 2026.

This will be posted as Addendum 4.

Campbell Oil Co.

1. Bid tabulations from the previous fuel bid.

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2. Two recent invoices, along with their corresponding bills of lading (BOLs), from the current supplier for each fuel product.

   These will be posted as Addendum 4.