

Dear Vendor,

The Minot Fire-Rescue Department, on behalf of the Town of Minot, is soliciting sealed bids for the purchase of one (1) Fire Department Utility / Rescue Truck.

The base vehicle shall be a 1-ton dual rear wheel (DRW) pickup truck, equipped with an extended/double cab and an 8-foot bed delete, intended for fire department operational, utility, and rescue support functions.

Bidders shall provide pricing for the base vehicle, to include utility body and optional installation and pricing of the following components:

- Emergency vehicle warning and scene lighting upfitting
- Radio installation (radio to be provided by the Town)
- Decals and lettering design and installation

Detailed specifications, minimum requirements, bid instructions, and submission requirements are outlined below.

The Town of Minot will accept sealed bids until 12:00 p.m. on Friday, February 27, 2026. All bids shall be mailed or delivered to the Town Administrator's Office, located at 329 Woodman Hill Road, Minot, Maine. Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked "Fire Department Utility / Rescue Truck" and include the name of the bidder.

Bids will be opened publicly and read aloud at 12:15 p.m. on the same date.

A complete set of bid documents may be downloaded from the Town of Minot website at [www.minotme.org](http://www.minotme.org). Bids shall be submitted using the provided Bid Response Forms (pages 8-10).

All equipment furnished shall be new, unused, and current production models from the manufacturer. Accessories not specifically identified herein, but necessary for proper operation and completion of the unit, shall be included. The completed unit shall conform to best practices within the emergency vehicle and body manufacturing industry, including quality of design, materials, and workmanship. All assemblies, subassemblies, and component parts shall be standard and interchangeable.

The Town of Minot reserves the right to waive any informalities and to reject any or all bids.

Bidders are requested to provide pricing for the following options, as outlined on the Bid Response Form:

- Cab and Chassis Cost
- Utility Body, Design, Fabrication and Installation costs
- Upfitting cost to include, radio, siren, lights, and decals

Questions regarding this Invitation to Bid shall be submitted via email to:

Chief Corey Nugent of the Minot Fire-Rescue Department, [Cnugent@minotme.org](mailto:Cnugent@minotme.org)

## **INVITATION TO BID**

Fire Department Utility / Rescue Truck

Issuing Authority

Town of Minot

Minot Fire-Rescue Department

329 Woodman Hill Road

Minot, Maine

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## **PURPOSE**

The Town of Minot, through the Minot Fire-Rescue Department, invites sealed bids for the purchase of one (1) Fire Department Utility / Rescue Truck to support fire, rescue, and municipal operations.

## **VEHICLE DESCRIPTION**

The base vehicle shall meet the following minimum requirements:

- 1-ton dual rear wheel (DRW) pickup truck
- Extended/Double cab
- 8-foot bed delete
- Cab height utility body (As specified)
- New, unused, and current manufacturer production model
- Overall length shall not exceed Twenty-Three Feet (23')
- Overall, Height shall not exceed Seven Feet (7')

The vehicle shall be suitable for fire department operational, utility, and rescue support functions.

## **SCOPE OF BID & PRICING OPTIONS**

Bidders shall submit pricing for the base vehicle, to include utility body and optional installation and pricing of the following components:

- Emergency vehicle warning and scene lighting upfitting
- Radio installation (radio to be provided by the Town)
- Decals and lettering design and installation

Bidders shall provide pricing in accordance with the Bid Response Form, including the following pricing categories:

- Cab and Chassis Cost
- Utility Body, Design, Fabrication and Installation costs
- Upfitting cost to include, radio, siren, lights, and decals

The Town reserves the right to award all or part of the bid, based on pricing, compliance, and overall best value.

Bidders are encouraged to submit multiple bid options. Current pre-fabricated units that are readily available will be accepted, provided they meet the minimum requirements outlined in this Invitation to Bid. Any deviations from the stated requirements shall be clearly identified and noted in the bid submission.

## **BID DOCUMENTS**

A complete set of bid documents, including specifications and Bid Response Forms, may be downloaded from the Town of Minot website:

[www.minotme.org](http://www.minotme.org)

Bids must be submitted using the provided Bid Response Forms.

## **BID SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

- Bid Deadline:  
12:00 p.m. (noon), Friday, February 27, 2026
- Bid Delivery Location:  
Town Administrator's Office  
329 Woodman Hill Road  
Minot, Maine
- Submission Requirements:
  - Sealed envelope
  - Clearly marked: "Fire Department Utility / Rescue Truck"
  - Include bidder's name on the envelope

Late bids will not be accepted.

## **BID OPENING**

Sealed bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at:

- 12:15 p.m., Friday, February 27, 2026
- Town of Minot, 329 Woodman Hill Road, Minot, Maine

## **EQUIPMENT & MANUFACTURING STANDARDS**

All equipment furnished under this ITB shall be:

- New, unused, and of current manufacturer production
- Free of defects in materials and workmanship

Accessories or components not specifically listed but required for proper completion and operation of the unit shall be included.

The completed unit shall conform to best practices within the emergency vehicle and body manufacturing industry, including quality of design, materials, and workmanship. Assemblies, subassemblies, and component parts shall be standard and interchangeable.

## **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

The Town of Minot reserves the right to:

- Waive any informalities or minor irregularities
- Reject any or all bids
- Accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of the Town

Award will not be based solely on lowest price but on overall compliance with specifications, pricing structure, and suitability for the Town's needs.

Award and execution of any contract under this ITB are contingent upon approval at Town Meeting on Saturday, March 7, 2026. All pricing must remain firm through that date.

Release of funds is contingent upon final inspection and written acceptance of the vehicle by the Town, confirming compliance with all ITB specifications. No payment will be made prior to acceptance.

## **QUESTIONS**

All questions regarding this Invitation to Bid shall be submitted via email no later than the deadline specified in the bid documents.

Contact:

Corey Nugent

Fire Chief, Minot Fire-Rescue Department

[Cnugent@minotme.org](mailto:Cnugent@minotme.org)

## **BIDDER CERTIFICATION**

Submission of a bid shall constitute acknowledgment that the bidder has read, understands, and agrees to all terms and conditions contained within this Invitation to Bid.

## **STATEMENT OF NON-COLLUSION**

The undersigned bidder certifies that this bid is made without any previous understanding, agreement, or connection with any person, firm, or corporation submitting a bid for the same materials, supplies, equipment, or services, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud.

The bidder further certifies that no officer, employee, or agent of the Town of Minot or the Minot Fire-Rescue Department has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this bid, and that no consideration has been paid or agreed to be paid to any such person in connection with the preparation or submission of this bid.

The undersigned understands that any misrepresentation in this certification may result in the rejection of the bid and may subject the bidder to penalties provided by law.

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*Specifications - Cab & Chassis*

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Vehicle Type:

- One (1) 1-ton dual rear wheel (DRW) pickup chassis
- Manufacturer: Ford, Chevrolet, GMC, Ram or approved equivalent
- Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR): Minimum 14,000 lbs

Cab Configuration:

- Extended / Double Cab / Super Cab
- Seating for a minimum of four (4) occupants
- Manufacturer-installed seating and safety restraints

Powertrain:

- Engine – Gasoline or diesel (Bidder to Specify)
- Transmission: Automatic
- Drive: 4x4
- Alternator: Heavy-duty, minimum 220-amp or manufacturer's maximum available
- Battery system: Dual batteries, heavy-duty

Frame & Suspension:

- Reinforced frame suitable for utility rescue body installation
- Heavy-duty front and rear suspension
- Rear axle rated to support rescue body and equipment payload
- Towing package: Reese Hitch or equivalent with wiring harness

Wheels & Tires:

- Dual Rear Wheels
- All-Season or all-terrain tire rated for GVWR
- Full-Size Spare tire provided

Interior & Exterior:

- Cab and body color – Red
- 40/20/40 with center console – Power Front Seats
- Non-Cloth interior

*Specifications – Utility / Rescue Body Design*

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Body Construction:

- Material: Aluminum preferred (steel acceptable if specified)
- Fully welded construction
- Corrosion-resistant materials and hardware
- Designed specifically for fire-rescue utility use

Dimensions and Layout:

- Body length to match 8-foot chassis configuration
- Compartment layout optimized for fire-rescue equipment storage
- Compartments shall be weather-resistant (lockable optional)
- Body shall be no greater than Cab height

Compartments:

- Side compartments on both driver and passenger sides
- Rear full-width compartment, tailboard access, Roll-up door/tonneau cover.
- Adjustable shelving where applicable
- Minimum compartment depth suitable for rescue tools and equipment

Doors and Hardware:

- Roll-up doors (preferred) or hinged doors (bidder to specify)
- Automotive-style compression latches
- Stainless steel hinges and hardware
- If Lockable: All compartment doors shall be keyed alike

Lighting:

- LED compartment lighting (automatic on door open)
- LED rear scene lighting
- LED side scene lighting
- All lighting shall be weatherproof and vibration resistant

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*Specifications – Emergency Warning & Scene Lighting (Optional)*

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Electrical:

- Body wiring harness integrated with chassis electrical system
- Proper circuit protection and labeling
- All wiring loomed and protected
- Electrical access points (Buss Bar) provided in each compartment

Emergency Warning & Scene Lighting:

Bidders may provide itemized pricing for emergency lighting upfitting, including but not limited to:

- LED roof-mounted or cab-mounted lightbar
- LED grille or warning lights
- Rear warning lights
- Scene lighting on sides and rear
- Control switches mounted within driver reach
- Lighting shall comply with Maine emergency vehicle regulations

Radio Installation:

- Installation of mobile radio only
- Radio equipment to be supplied by the Town of Minot
- Installation shall include mounting, antenna, cabling, and testing
- Radio placement shall not interfere with airbag deployment or driver visibility

Bid Response Form  
“Fire Department Utility / Rescue Truck”  
January 2026

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**Submit to:**

Town Administrator’s Office  
Town of Minot  
329 Woodman Hill Road  
Minot, Maine, 04258

**Bid Due Date: Friday February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026 @ 12:00pm (Noon)**

The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she has examined and fully understands the requirements of these specifications for the above-referenced equipment and hereby offers to furnish all labor, materials, equipment, and supplies necessary to perform the work as detailed herein for the following lump sum price. Bid pricing shall reflect the cost of one (1) one-ton Fire Department Utility Truck.

**Name of Dealership/Company:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Dealership Contact:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Authorize Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name & Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Bid Response Form  
“Fire Department Utility / Rescue Truck”

***Bid Pricing***

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**Truck Make:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Truck Model:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Truck Year:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Estimated Date of Availability to Town:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Net Price of Chassis:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Net Price of Utility Body:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Net Price of Upfitting / Equipment Installation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Net Price of Completed Unit (Total Bid Price):** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Warranty Information:**

Standard Manufacture Warranty

Coverage Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Term: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

Extended Warranty (If offered)

Coverage Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Term: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Cost: \_\_\_\_\_



Bid List  
“Fire Department Utility / Rescue Truck”

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10-75 Emergency Vehicles

Alexis Fire Equipment

BME Fire Trucks

Commander Fleet

Emergency Vehicles, Inc

Heiman Fire Equipment

Lee Auto

Messer Commercial Truck

Pape Commercial Chevy

Ripley and Fletcher Ford

Rowe Auburn

SVI Trucks

Whited Ford