ADDENDUM NO. 3

IFB #27-002 UMass LED Lighting Replacement

November 10, 2026

IFB #27-002 LED Lighting Replacement Project issued on October 26, 2026. This Addendum is being issued to clarify the IFB documents and shall supersede and supplement all portions of previously issued IFB documents with which it conflicts. Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of Addendum Nos. 1, 2 and 3 on the revised Exhibit D, Bid Form attached to this Addendum. This Addendum responds to written questions received by the November 9, 2026, 2:00 PM deadline established in Addendum No. 2.

This Addendum No. 3 provides responses to the following inquiries received for the subject IFB:

INQUIRY #1: Transit Building basis of design (Day-Brite DWLE51L840-8-UNV): the published DW VaporLume ordering guide lists a 4 ft length only. Please confirm whether "-8" means a single 8 ft unit, or two 4 ft units in tandem per location. Please also confirm the voltage; the spec reads "120-127 volts," which looks like it should read 120-277V (UNV).

RESPONSE: Please refer to the revised lighting schedule issued with Addendum No. 2. Regarding voltage, 120-277V (UNV) is correct.

INQUIRY #2: Please confirm the RTIC basis of design (Day-Brite FBX08LL40-UNV) is a standard high bay and state what mounting is expected (hook and cord, chain, or surface mount).

RESPONSE: Light fixture mounting, which varies, will remain the same as existing.

INQUIRY #3: What existing fixture types and wattages are being removed in each building, and how are they mounted (surface, chain-hung or pendant)? May existing mounting points, whips and circuits be reused, or is any rewiring or new whip work expected?

RESPONSE: Existing fixture types, quantities, locations, and replacement specifications are identified in the revised lighting schedule issued with Addendum No. 2. Mounting methods vary. Existing mounting points, whips, and circuits may be reused when found to be in acceptable condition and suitable for a code-compliant installation.

INQUIRY #4: Are any occupancy sensors, controls, dimming or emergency battery packs required? The documents mention none. If any of the 174 existing fixtures are emergency or night-light units, please identify how many.

RESPONSE: Addendum No. 2 revised the number of existing fixtures to be replaced to 167 (110 in the RTIC Building and 57 in the Transit Building). No new occupancy or vacancy sensors are required. As stated in Addendum No. 2, specified fixtures shall have the required dimming capability, but new dimmer switches are not included. No new lighting-control system or emergency battery packs are required unless expressly identified in the contract documents or required by code. Existing emergency-light and night-light functions shall remain unless otherwise required by code.

INQUIRY #5: For “or equal” submittals: must equals be approved before the bid date, or after award and before purchase? Is there a deadline for requests?

RESPONSE: Proposed equal products will not be approved during bidding. Following contract award and before purchase, the successful bidder may submit proposed equal products for review in accordance with the contract documents. This response supersedes any prior informal correspondence suggesting pre-bid review or approval of proposed equals. Bids shall be based on the specified products. If a proposed equal is not approved, the Contractor shall furnish the specified product at no additional cost to PVTA.

INQUIRY #6: Do any existing fixtures contain PCB ballasts or mercury lamps? Is the contractor responsible for universal/hazardous waste recycling and the disposal documentation?

RESPONSE: There are no known PCB ballasts. Mercury-containing lamps or components may be present. The contractor is responsible for proper handling, recycling, disposal, and any required documentation in accordance with applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations.

INQUIRY #7: What are the working hours? With buses in the bays, will night or weekend work be required, or can bays be shut down or cleared in sections? Who moves buses and vehicles?

RESPONSE: Please refer to the work hours listed in Addendum No. 2. UMass Transit staff will move buses in coordination with the awarded contractor.

INQUIRY #8: What are the clear heights and floor conditions for a lift in each building (clearance between buses, floor load limits, any restriction on lift fuel type)?

RESPONSE: Ceiling heights in the RTIC bus areas are approximately 16 feet. Heights in the Transit maintenance areas vary from approximately 8 to 16 feet. Floors are concrete. The contractor is responsible for

selecting equipment appropriate for verified floor loading, access, clearance, and operating conditions. PVTA has not specified a lift fuel type. All equipment must comply with applicable safety, ventilation, fire-code, and facility requirements, and any combustion-powered equipment used indoors requires prior PVTA/UMass site authorization.

INQUIRY #9: What is the contract completion time, and are there liquidated damages?

RESPONSE: All work must be completed within six (6) weeks of issuance of a PVTA purchase order and Notice to Proceed, as stated in the IFB. There are no liquidated damages.

INQUIRY #10: What bid security, performance and payment bonds, and insurance limits are required?

RESPONSE: Bid security, performance and payment guarantee, and insurance requirements are set forth in IFB 27-002, Exhibit A – Federal Requirements, “Bond Requirements” (Bid Guarantee, Performance Guarantee, and Payment Bonds), pages 33–34, and in the “Insurance Requirements” section, pages 2–3. These requirements are unchanged.

INQUIRY #11: Is this project bid under M.G.L. c.149 or c.30 s.39M? Are there filed sub-bids or a DCAMM certification requirement? Has the prevailing wage schedule been issued with the documents?

RESPONSE: This is a public building construction contract under M.G.L. c. 149. Because the estimated contract value is more than $50,000 but not more than $150,000, it is bid under M.G.L. c. 149, § 44A(2)(C), using the sealed-bid procedures of M.G.L. c. 30, § 39M. There are no filed sub-bids, and DCAMM certification is not required. The Massachusetts prevailing-wage schedule and federal Davis-Bacon wage determination were included in the original IFB as Exhibits C-1 and C-2.

INQUIRY #12: Is the bid form a lump sum, or is a unit price per fixture also required? Are there any alternates?

RESPONSE: This is a lump sum bid, and there are no alternates. Unit prices are not required. The revised Exhibit D, Bid Form attached to this Addendum replaces the original Bid Form, and Item 1 of the Submission Requirements is amended to require only the lump-sum bid price.

INQUIRY #13: Are references or prior similar project experience required with the bid?

RESPONSE: Yes. Bidders must submit the references and similar-project experience required by the original IFB. Three (3) references for similar completed projects must be included with the bid on Exhibit E – References.

INQUIRY #14: Please confirm the delivery address for sealed bids (room or floor).

RESPONSE: Sealed bids must be delivered by Thursday, November 19, 2026, at 2:00 PM EST to Pioneer Valley Transit Authority, Attention: Procurement Officer, 2808 Main Street, Springfield, MA 01107. The public bid opening will take place in the first-floor foyer at that address.

INQUIRY #15: Please confirm the COMMBUYS bid number addenda will be posted under. We have it as BD-26-2263-PTA01-PTVA1-134725.

RESPONSE: Confirmed. The sole COMMBUYS solicitation identifier for this IFB and its addenda is BD-26-2263-PTA01-PTVA1-134725.

INQUIRY #16: Does PVTA already have a utility account representative or a pre-approval in process for this project? If pre-approval is required before fixtures are ordered, how should that time be built into the schedule? Please confirm the contractor is responsible for the paperwork only, not for the rebate amount being approved.

RESPONSE: Please refer to the original IFB and Addendum No. 2. The bidder awarded a contract under this IFB will be responsible for preparation of the paperwork only, not for the rebate amount being approved.

INQUIRY #17: We understand a pre-bid walkthrough was held November 3. Was attendance mandatory? If not, could a brief site visit be arranged for bidders who could not attend? Please also share the sign-in sheet and any minutes.

RESPONSE: Attendance at the November 3, 2026, pre-bid walkthrough was not mandatory and is not a condition of bidding. PVTA will not conduct another pre-bid meeting. No formal minutes were taken. The attendance sign-in sheet is maintained in the procurement file; it is not incorporated into this addendum. Written answers and formal addenda constitute the official solicitation clarifications.

INQUIRY #18: A prior PVTA bid (the UMass bus wash project) included an alternate for LED fixtures in the Bus Storage area and Maintenance Bays at the UMass facility. Please confirm none of the 62 Transit Building fixtures in this IFB were already replaced under that work.

RESPONSE: None of the fixtures in this IFB were already replaced under the previous work referenced.

INQUIRY #19: Per Addendum No. 2, the recently issued specs include additional fixtures that were not reflected in the original bid documents. However, the bid forms have not been updated to account for the new fixture types, for the unit prices for the bid form. Please advise.

RESPONSE: Please refer to the response to Inquiry #12 above. Unit prices are not required. Use the revised Exhibit D, Bid Form attached to this Addendum.

INQUIRY #20: Is there a BABA requirement for UMASS PVTA Lighting IFB # 27-002?

RESPONSE: The FTA Buy America small purchase waiver applies to this procurement based on its estimated contract value (49 U.S.C. § 5323(j)(13)). No Buy America certification is required with the bid.

INQUIRY #21: Must all project fixture models, specified and alternates, carry BABA certification, with a certificate, to qualify for project funding? A BABA-certified option is not apparent on several of the product cut sheets provided.

RESPONSE: No. See the response to Inquiry #20. The FTA Buy America small purchase waiver applies to this procurement based on its estimated contract value (49 U.S.C. § 5323(j)(13)). No Buy America or BABA certification is required with the bid for the specified fixtures or for proposed equals.

INQUIRY #22: The LUXBRITE spec sheet provided also has part number LR25365 HO 4' strip circled. Is there a room where you wish to have the HO 4' strip fixtures?

RESPONSE: No fixtures with part number LR25365 are included in this project. LR25365 is the 8-foot high-output model; its appearance on the cut sheet was the result of a part-number typo in an earlier draft of the lighting schedule. Per the revised lighting schedule issued with Addendum No. 2, all thirty-two (32) LUXRITE strip fixtures in the UMass Transit Building are part number LR25363 (4-foot, high output), located as follows: Machine Shop (10), Back of Parts Room (8), Hallway Outside Parts (2), Custodial Closet (1), Mezzanine (7), Boiler Room (3), and Parts Room Stairwell (1).

INQUIRY #23: Please consider the following alternate materials, all of which have BABA certification options.

RESPONSE: See the response to Inquiry #5. Proposed equal products will not be reviewed or approved during bidding. Bids shall be based on the specified products. After award and before purchase, the successful bidder may submit proposed equals for review in accordance with the contract documents.

ATTACHMENT: Exhibit D, Bid Form (Revised by Addendum No. 3)

All other requirements of the IFB shall remain in full force and effect.