

# INVITATION FOR BID

FOR

## Backhoe Trailers

Bid Number: 26-003-WBS

Bids are due no later than 12:00 NOON on Tuesday, March 10, 2026

and will be opened at 2:00 PM



MACON WATER AUTHORITY

790 Second Street  
MACON, GEORGIA 31201

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## I. GENERAL

### Invitation

Notice is hereby given that the Macon Water Authority is accepting sealed bids until **12:00 NOON**, at the time legally prevailing in Macon, Georgia, on Tuesday, March 10, 2026, for **NEW Backhoe Trailers**.

Bid envelopes should be CLEARLY MARKED on the outside as "BID FOR NEW BACKHOE TRAILERS" and delivered to:

Macon Water Authority  
Attn: Rhonda Smith  
790 Second Street  
Macon, Georgia 31201

NO BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE ABOVE DESIGNATED TIME.

Bids will be publicly opened starting at **2:00 PM**.

### Bid Documents

Bid documents are available at:

The Macon Water Authority website at [http://www.maconwater.org/invitations-to\\_bid](http://www.maconwater.org/invitations-to_bid)

The Georgia Procurement Registry website at  
[http://ssl.doas.state.ga.us/PRSapp/PR\\_custom\\_index.jsp?agency=33561](http://ssl.doas.state.ga.us/PRSapp/PR_custom_index.jsp?agency=33561)

The Macon Water Authority Purchasing Department via email to [rhsmith@maconwater.org](mailto:rhsmith@maconwater.org).

## II. INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

### A. Definitions

1. Wherever the term "Owner", "Authority", "MWA", or "Macon Water Authority" occur in these specifications, it shall mean the Macon Water Authority, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia acting through its Board of Directors.

### B. Bidder's Representation

1. Each bidder, by making his bid, represents that he has:

- a) Read and understands the bidding documents; and,
- b) Become familiar with the work to be performed.

C. Related Documents

1. These general conditions
2. Attached specifications
3. Addenda (if any) issued prior to receipt of bids
4. Bid Form

D. Document Discrepancies

1. Should the bidder find discrepancies in, or omissions from, these documents; he shall at once notify the Macon Water Authority Purchasing Office.

2. Requests for Interpretations of Specifications shall be made in writing to [rhsmith@maconwater.org](mailto:rhsmith@maconwater.org) of the Macon Water Authority Purchasing Office not later than five o'clock pm on **Friday, March 6, 2026**. All definitions set forth in the specifications are applicable to this Instruction to Bidders, the Bid Form, and the proposed Contract Documents, including any addenda issued prior to receipt of bids.

a) Addenda are written or graphic instruments issued prior to the opening of bids that may modify or interpret the bidding documents by deletion, additions, clarifications, or corrections.

**b) It shall be incumbent upon each bidder to check for addenda that may have been issued and to comply with its contents.**

c) Addenda (if issued) will be available as described in section I.B.1., above.

d) All addenda shall be enumerated in the Bid Form.

e) Addenda will become part of the Contract Documents when the Contract is executed.

A. Validity

1. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty- (60) days after time has been called on date of bid opening.

B. Purchasing Policy

1. The Macon Water Authority Purchasing Policy is available for review at <http://www.maconwater.org/purchasing-policy>

III. CONTRACT AWARD

A. Firms may bid on individual Equipment or all Equipment. Unit prices shall prevail if an error in extensions exists.

B. The Macon Water Authority reserves the right to award individually or as a lump sum.

C. Quoted delivery dates shall be adhered to. All prices shall be Delivered prices, FOB Destination, after deducting all non –applicable taxes.

D. Manufacturers Statement of Origin (MSO) free and clear of all liens and encumbrances for each piece of equipment shall be provided at time of delivery.

E. Equipment shall be ready to use upon delivery.

F. The enclosed bid forms shall be used. Use of other bid documents may deem the bid to be non-responsive.

#### IV. RESERVATIONS

A. The bidder acknowledges that the Macon Water Authority reserves full freedom (in addition to the right to reject any or all bids) in awarding bids to consider all available factors including, but not limited to, price, the provision of needed and unneeded features, usefulness to the using department and prior experience.

B. The bidder recognizes the right of the Macon Water Authority to reject a bid if the bidder failed to furnish any required submittals on the date required by the bidding documents, or if the bid is in any way incomplete or irregular.

C. The Macon Water Authority may award bids to other than the lowest bidder if in the judgment of its staff and with approval by its Board, the interest of the Macon Water Authority will be best served by award to another.

D. By signing the bid documents, bidder certifies his bid meets the requirements of the specifications.

E. Manufacturer's names, trade names, brand names, information and/or catalog numbers listed herein are intended only to identify the quality level desired. They are not intended to limit competition. The bidder may offer any equivalent product that meets or exceeds the specification. If bids are based on equivalent products, the bidder shall indicate on the bid form the alternate manufacturer's name and catalog number and shall include complete descriptive literature and/or specifications along with proof that the proposed equivalent either meets or exceeds this specification. The Authority reserves the right to be the sole judge of what is equal and acceptable. If bidder fails to name a substitute, he shall furnish goods identical to the bid specifications.

<b>MACON WATER AUTHORITY</b> 790 Second Street Macon, Georgia 31201 Telephone (478) 464-5629    Telefax (478) 750-2007	Invitation For Bid Number: 26-003-WBS
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**Minimum Bid Specifications**

<u>QTY</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
2 each	2026 PITTS TRAILER TA20 OR Equal

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Make & Model Bid

<u>FEATURE</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
40,000 lb. capacity at 55 MPH	( )	( )
7,600 lbs. Tare Weight	( )	( )
Overall: 102" width x 30' length	( )	( )
16' concentrated load	( )	( )
W14" x 22# A572 Gr. 50 – Hogn Tensile	( )	( )
(2) Heavy Duty 22,500 lbs. 49" axle Spacing	( )	( )
Fully sealed wiring harness with LED lights	( )	( )
Adjustable Pintle Eye – 4 Position Hitch	( )	( )
Heavy Duty Drop Leg 2-Speed Landing gear	( )	( )
4) Pair (8 total), bent D-ring Lash Rings	( )	( )
(8) 215/75x17.5 16 ply Tires	( )	( )

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Delivery shall be made to:

Macon Water Authority, 1090 MLK Jr. Blvd, Macon, GA 31201

WARRANTY: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**FOR EQUIPMENT DESCRIBED ABOVE:**

**A. UNIT PRICE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**B. TOTAL PRICE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **for Backhoe**

**WARRANTY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME (TYPED): \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL TAX ID: \_\_\_\_\_