

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY  
INVITATION FOR BID (IFB) #2026-008  
TREE CUTTING & VEGETATION CLEARANCE**

**Project Description:** The Regional Transit Authority of New Orleans is seeking qualified vendors to provide tree trimming and vegetation removal services to maintain clearance around power lines and catenary infrastructure per specifications in IFB 2026-008.

**How to obtain a copy of the IFB:** Specifications and further information concerning the IFB may be obtained February 17, 2026, from the RTA's Procurement website at <https://norta.procurement.com/home>. You will be required to first register on this website. The IFB can also be obtained at Regional Transit Authority's website at <https://www.norta.com/procurement>.

**Clarification Deadline:** Any questions or further information concerning this IFB must be submitted through <https://norta.procurement.com/home> by 1:00PM on March 9, 2026. Only written questions submitted through the Procurement site shall be considered official. All answers to questions shall be by formal addenda posted to the website under IFB 2026-008.

**Responding to IFB:** Bids shall be submitted through the RTA's Procurement website or delivered to 2817 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70119 on or before 1:00 P.M., March 17, 2026. A Bid Opening will be held in the RTA Board Room located at 2817 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70119, on Friday, March 17, 2026, at 1:00 PM.

**This procurement is limited to small businesses only.** Offers/responses will only be accepted from eligible Small Business Enterprises in compliance with the RTA's Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program and the US Code of Federal Regulations Title 49 Part 26.39. To be an eligible Small Business Enterprise, a business must have at least 51% ownership by an economically disadvantaged person. To be considered economically disadvantaged, the individual's Personal Net Worth, not including their primary place of residence or ownership in the business, cannot exceed \$2.047 million in compliance with the 49 CFR Part 26.67. Additionally, the business must meet the annual gross receipts cap of \$30.72 million as defined in 49 CFR Part 26 and must meet the size criteria defined by the Small Business Administration. SBE size standards can be accessed at <http://www.sba.gov/content/table-small-business-size-standards>.

The Small Business Enterprise Program is race-neutral and open to all business owners regardless of race, ethnicity or gender. Businesses that are not SBE certified must submit a complete SBE Certification application along with all supporting documentation. The SBE eligibility affidavit and the SBE Certification Application can be obtained at the RTA website at [www.NORTA.com](http://www.NORTA.com). SBE affidavits and/or applications must be submitted before or with the offer/response to this solicitation. For additional information, contact the RTA's Small Business Office at 504-827-8301.

The RTA reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals submitted

**Lona Hankins  
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