

Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

Engineering Services for Upper Valley Transit Signal Priority Feasibility Study

**Answers to Questions from Interested Firms
August 21, 2015**

1. How many buses are assigned each day to the Blue Route and are they the same buses each day?

Four (4) buses per day are assigned to Advance Transit's Blue Route and the assigned buses vary from day to day.

2. Will this evaluation consider all signals in the four listed municipalities or just a subset of them?

This evaluation will consider all signals on Advance Transit's fixed route network (i.e. Blue Route, Red Route, Brown Route, Orange Route, and Green Route) in Hartford and Norwich, Vermont & Lebanon and Hanover, New Hampshire.

For additional context, route maps are available online at: <http://www.advancetransit.com/>.

3. Is an inventory available in terms of equipment or ownership?

Some traffic signals to be evaluated in this study are owned and operated by the municipality (Hartford, Norwich, Lebanon, and Hanover), and some are owned and operated by a state agency (NHDOT or VTrans). Signal equipment inventories are maintained by the appropriate municipal or state agency. The successful consultant will be expected to work cooperatively with municipal and state partners to compile equipment inventory information as necessary to complete the scope of work.

4. Have funds been allocated for this project, and if so can you share the amount?

Funding for this project has been allocated by the states of New Hampshire and Vermont respectively through the Federal Transit Administration's Section 5305(e) (Statewide Planning and Research) Program. While the final scope and fee for the project consultant will be negotiated as part of the qualifications-based selection process, the estimated cost of this consulting work is \$60,000 to \$70,000.

5. Are professional resumes included as part of the 10-page limit?

Yes, please provide resumes only for the key project personnel who would serve in a leadership role (i.e. Project Manager and Senior Consultant) on the project. Resumes should convey the qualifications of key personnel while avoiding unnecessary verbosity.