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REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI) G26-8016-55A

RENEWABLE NATURAL GAS (RNG) SUPPLY, ENVIRONMENTAL CREDIT REVENUE
SERVICES, AND OPTIONAL CNG STATION MAINTENANCE

Issue Date: September 30, 2026

Responses Due: October 22, 2026
2:00 p.m. Central Time

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1. Purpose of This Request for Information (RFI)

- A. The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (“KCATA” or “the Authority”) is conducting market research to better understand the availability, structure, and commercial terms of services related to:
1. The supply of Renewable Natural Gas (“RNG”) to displace conventional natural gas dispensed at KCATA-owned compressed natural gas (“CNG”) fueling facilities;
 2. The generation, management, and monetization of environmental credits — principally Renewable Identification Numbers (“RINs”) under the federal Renewable Fuel Standard (“RFS”) program — on KCATA’s behalf;
 3. Optional preventive maintenance services for KCATA’s CNG fueling infrastructure; and
 4. Potential future expansion of credit-generation services to other low- or zero-emission fuel sources, including electricity and hydrogen.
- B. Responses to this RFI will help KCATA develop a comprehensive scope of work, evaluation criteria, and commercial structure for possible future competitive solicitation. KCATA’s goal in any future procurement would be to maximize the revenue generated from environmental credits associated with its alternative fuel usage while maintaining reliable fuel supply and well-maintained fueling infrastructure.

2. Background

- A. KCATA is a bi-state public transit authority created by interstate compact between Missouri and Kansas, providing fixed-route bus, paratransit, and microtransit services throughout the Kansas City metropolitan region under the RideKC brand.
- B. KCATA owns and operates a CNG fueling station that fuels a fleet of CNG-powered transit buses (heavy duty and cutaway). Natural gas is delivered to the station through the local utility’s pipeline distribution system, and KCATA expects to continue purchasing its base natural gas commodity and distribution service from the local utility under its existing arrangements. Any RNG supply arrangement contemplated by this RFI is expected to operate on a “book-and-claim” (paper transaction) basis that does not interrupt or alter KCATA’s physical gas service, billing, or utility relationship.
- Approximate CNG fleet size: 126 heavy duty buses / 4 Cutaway
 - KCATA has two (2) CNG meters – facilities and transportation. The Transportation (fueling station) consumption (per CCF):

	Annual	Monthly Average
2025 Full Year	1,506,870	125,573
2026 January – August YTD	1,050,990	131,374

- Projected remaining useful life of CNG station and fleet:
 - Approximately eight (8) years on CNG Fueling Station
 - Average remaining useful life for fleet is 2.41 years per bus
- C. Under the federal RFS program administered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”), RNG dispensed as transportation fuel generates RINs that may be sold to obligated parties. As the owner of its CNG fueling station, KCATA understands that it is positioned to benefit from credit revenue generated by RNG attributed to fuel dispensed at its facilities. KCATA notes that anticipated increases in regional fuel consumption — including major special events expected in 2026 — may temporarily increase fueling volumes.

3. Scope of Information Requested

KCATA seeks information on the following service areas. Respondents may address one, several, or all areas, and should clearly indicate which areas their response covers.

A. RNG Supply (Book-and-Claim)

1. Supply of RNG attributes sufficient to cover up to 100 percent of CNG dispensed at KCATA fueling facilities, with the lowest practicable carbon intensity.
2. Minimum RNG coverage guarantees (the minimum percentage of KCATA’s CNG volume the supplier will cover with RNG), recognizing that uncovered volumes generate no credits and no revenue.
3. Treatment of supply curtailments or interruptions, and any compensation or remedy structures.
4. Confirmation that normal utility service, invoicing, and payment by KCATA to its local utility would continue unchanged.

B. Environmental Credit Generation, Management, and Revenue Services

1. Registration of KCATA’s fueling facilities and accounts in all required EPA systems (e.g., EPA Moderated Transaction System (EMTS) and applicable fuel reporting systems), including set-up assistance and training for KCATA staff.
2. Monthly logging and reporting of fuel usage data; preparation and submission of all required quarterly and annual regulatory reports; and correction of any reporting errors.
3. Marketing and sale of RINs (and any other applicable credits) at best available market value, with full adherence to EPA market rules.
4. Revenue-share structures, typically quoted as a percentage of credit value retained by KCATA, including how a guaranteed minimum monthly volume commitment from KCATA might improve the offered share.
5. Timing and method of credit revenue payments to KCATA, market reporting, auditable record-keeping (including retention periods), and audit support.

6. Any retroactive credit value that may be available for KCATA's historical natural gas usage, and the allowable look-back period.

C. Optional: CNG Fueling Station Preventive Maintenance

1. Preventive and corrective maintenance of CNG fueling station equipment (compressors, dryers, dispensers, storage, controls) in accordance with original manufacturer specifications and performance standards.
2. Response-time commitments, emergency service capabilities, spare parts availability, and technician certifications.
3. Whether respondents offer maintenance bundled with RNG/credit services or as a standalone service, and the relative advantages of each approach.

- D. Optional: Future Fuel Sources. Capability to generate and monetize environmental credits associated with other current or future fuel sources KCATA may adopt, including electricity for battery-electric buses and hydrogen, and credits available under any applicable state or federal programs.

4. **Questions for Respondents**

Please respond to the following. Brevity is appreciated; responses need not be exhaustive to be valuable.

A. Company Information

1. Provide a brief company overview, including years of experience supplying RNG and managing RFS/RIN programs for public-sector or transit fleet customers.
2. Describe comparable engagements with public transit agencies or municipal fleets, including approximate annual volumes managed.

B. Commercial Structure

1. Describe your typical pricing and revenue-share model (e.g., RIN share quoted as a percentage of RIN value). Identify the principal factors that influence the share offered.
2. Would a guaranteed minimum monthly CNG volume commitment from KCATA materially improve the revenue share? If so, describe the typical structure.
3. What minimum RNG coverage percentage do you typically guarantee, and how are shortfalls handled?
4. Do you charge any service, brokerage, or administrative fees, or is compensation derived solely from the agreed revenue share?
5. What contract terms (initial term and options) do you consider appropriate given the projected life of a transit CNG station and fleet?

C. Implementation and Administration

1. Describe the EPA registration and set-up process, the support you provide, the typical timeline from contract execution to first credit revenue, and the ongoing administrative burden on agency staff.
2. Describe your reporting to the customer, including frequency, content (credit transaction activity, prices achieved versus market averages, revenue summaries), and record retention.

D. RNG Supply

1. Describe your RNG sources, available carbon intensity values, and ability to guarantee uninterrupted attribute coverage.
2. Confirm whether your model requires any change to the customer's existing utility supply, billing, or physical gas delivery.

E. Optional Services

1. Do you provide CNG station preventive maintenance services, either directly or through partners? If so, describe your capabilities, certifications, and typical service-level commitments.
2. Describe your capability to manage credits for electricity, hydrogen, or other future fuel sources, including under any state low-carbon fuel programs that may become applicable.

F. Recommendations to KCATA

1. Identify any elements KCATA should include in a future competitive solicitation to attract strong responses and maximize value (e.g., scope definitions, data to provide, evaluation criteria, term length).
2. Identify any aspects of this RFI that are unclear, commercially impracticable, or likely to limit competition.

5. **Anticipated Schedule**

All dates are subject to change at KCATA's sole discretion. Optional Respondent presentation dates are tentative and if requested.

Milestone	Date
RFI Issued	September 30, 2026
Deadline for Written Questions	October 8, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. Central
KCATA Responses to Questions Posted	October 13, 2026
RFI Responses Due	October 22, 2026
Optional Respondent Presentations (Tentative and if requested)	November 4-5, 2028

6. Response Instructions

- A. Questions from Respondents. Questions from interested firms must be submitted by October 8, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. Central **via email** to Denise Adams, Procurement Manager, at dadams@kcata.org with a copy to Kristen Emmendorfer, Procurement Director, at kristene@kcata.org. The Project Number and Title must be included in the Subject line. Answers to questions will be posted publicly to KCATA's website.
- B. Submittals. Proposers shall submit their response **via email** to Denise Adams (dadams@kcata.org) with a copy to Kristen Emmendorfer (kristene@kcata.org). The Project Number and Title must be included in the Subject line. Submittals received after the time specified will not be considered.

7. General Conditions

- A. This RFI is issued solely for information-gathering and planning purposes and does not constitute a solicitation, a commitment to procure, or an offer to contract.
- B. KCATA will not pay any costs incurred in preparing or submitting a response to this RFI.
- C. Responding (or not responding) to this RFI will neither advantage nor disadvantage any firm in any future solicitation, and is not a prerequisite to participating in any future solicitation.
- D. KCATA may use information submitted in response to this RFI to develop the scope and terms of a future competitive solicitation. Any future procurement will be conducted in accordance with KCATA procurement policies and, where applicable, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requirements.
- E. KCATA reserves the right to cancel this RFI at any time, to request clarification of any response, and to follow up with individual respondents.