

Vehicle Acquisition and Leasing

#### AUTOCHOICE



The Office of Vehicle Acquisition and Leasing Services, GSA Automotive announces the latest updates to our online AutoChoice system. AutoChoice allows customers to:

- Choose Vehicle Makes and Models
- Compare Base Prices & Equipment Options
- Compare Miles Per Gallon (MPG)
- Check Status
- Place An Order On-Line
- Link To The Federal Vehicle Standards

We have now added two new tabs to our Price Comparison Screen. The **OEM Clarifications** tab provides clarifications covering vehicle equipment options from DaimlerChrysler, Ford and General Motors for each model. The new **Features and Specifications** tab is available for sedans and light trucks (without body applications). This tab provides more detailed information about each model to assist customers in selecting the right vehicle for their agency's mission.

Light duty body trucks are available in AutoChoice as well.

Standard Items under our **BARB** (Buses All Ready to Buy) program are also now included in our AutoChoice program. Our program includes the following types: school (adult passenger), shuttle, transit and coach. You can view the various types of buses and available options, configure your vehicle, compare prices and place an order.

We continue to provide enhancements to AutoChoice so that you can make informed choices for your vehicle purchases. Log on to our web site at: **fss.gsa.gov/vehicles/buying** and then click on the AutoChoice button.

Questions may be directed to Customer CARE on (703) 308-CARS.

#### STAN HAS MADE THE SWITCH!!



The Office of Vehicle Acquisition and Leasing Services, GSA Automotive announces that the **STAN** (Standardized Trucks Available Now) program has made the switch. Previously, **STAN** was procured as a requirements type contract. It has recently been converted to Vehicular Multiple Award Schedule (VMAS) 23 V.

The program covers medium and heavy trucks under current Federal Vehicle Standards 794 and 807. By moving the **STAN** program to the Multiple Award Schedule, customers gain more flexibility and control of the procurement process. Customers will now be able to choose from a wider selection of vendors and after determining which truck offers the best value, place their orders DIRECTLY with the contractor. Customers may still process vehicle orders thru GSA Automotive. Contractors are now able to offer their entire commercial line of trucks and options. While contracts have been negotiated to get you those great GSA prices you currently count on, the MAS contracts now allow you and the vendor to negotiate even better prices to meet unique/special market conditions. The Multiple Award Schedule program also permits GSA to add new contractors at any time!

The **STAN** program covers cab & chassis, dump trucks, maintenance/line body trucks, van body truck, and truck tractors. Trucks from Freightliner, Sterling, Western Star, Navistar, and Mack are currently available to meet your needs. Alternative fuel vehicles are also available under the **STAN** program.

Whether you choose to conduct your procurement transaction directly with a vendor or thru GSA, our procurement and engineering professionals are always available to serve you.

For current contractor information, visit GSA's Schedules E-Library at: **fss.gsa.gov/elibrary**. To learn more about GSA Automotive's other vehicle programs and services, visit us online at: **fss.gsa.gov/vehicles/buying** or call Customer CARE (703) 308-CARS.

## BARB (BUSES ALL READY TO BUY)

SA Automotive's BARB program includes contract coverage for buses and trolleys. BARB is now a multi-vendor, indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity type procurement that allows for broader contract coverage and more flexibility in selecting the right bus for your agency's mission.

There are many factors to consider when determining bus reliability, safety and liability. You should consider the type of seating that will be required, as well as the operation that the bus will be used for. Many of our buses are available as alternative fuel vehicles. Currently we have the following types of buses under contract: school, shuttle, heavyduty urban transit, motor coach and historical trolley replicas.



Buses procured by GSA must meet either the GSA Standards For Buses, the National Standards For School Buses, or the Altoona Testing Requirements. Our engineers are available to assist you in selecting the proper bus for your mission. We can simplify the technical aspects of determining your requirements, while streamlining the procurement process. Contact us early in your planning stages.

Standard Items under our BARB program are now included in our on-line AutoChoice program. You can view the various types of buses and available options, configure your vehicle, compare prices and place an order, all on-line. Visit our web site at: fss.gsa.gov/vehicles/buying and then click on the AutoChoice button.

You may also call our Customer CARE line on (703) 308-CARS for more information on our BARB program and our other vehicle programs are related products and services.









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