

INVITATION TO BIDDERS #2026-01
OMIC R&D – TAILSTOCK LATHE WITH THERMAL COMPENSATION
RESPONSE TO CLARIFYING QUESTIONS I
February 9, 2026

Note that these are questions submitted by interested firms to this solicitation. The below answers are for clarification purposes only and in no way alter or amend the solicitation as published.

1. QUESTION: “We” cannot guarantee ‘diameter’ tolerance and surface finish outcomes from just a machine tool, that is without a runoff or turnkey guaranteed process built around a specific part, which was not requested in the bid document. Will ‘manufacturer accuracy and repeatability specifications,’ when installed and operated under manufacturer recommend conditions, be acceptable to satisfy the Diameter Tolerance requirements in the ITB?”

ANSWER: Yes, the manufacturer’s Accuracy and Repeatability specifications are an acceptable form of meeting the requirement for Diameter Tolerance. OMIC recognizes that Surface Finish is largely process-dependent and will not consider Surface Finish as a requirement.

2. QUESTION: The requirement for thermal compensation in the bid document requirements also noted in Exhibit A is not available nor needed in this size lathe from our available supplier...” Would a proposal with technical explanation for an alternative satisfy the bid requirements?

ANSWER: No, Thermal Deformation Compensation is an absolute requirement for this machine.

End of Response to Clarifying Questions I