



Public Notice of Intent to Award

March 21, 2024

Procurement Type and Number	Invitation for Bid # 3160006431
Procurement Title	Statewide Hauling
Opening Date and Time	March 14, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.

The Department of Revenue (referred to as “DOR” or “Department”) requested sealed bids to provide a freight, hauling and delivery plan for alcoholic beverages for the Alcoholic Beverage Control Distribution Center (“Department,” “State” or “ABC”) located at 1286 Gluckstadt Road, Madison County, Mississippi, to all licensed ABC permittees authorized to purchase alcoholic beverages from the Department to the permitted location of the permittee located in Hinds or Rankin Counties or in the southern portion of Madison County, excluding permitted locations located in the municipal limits of the cities of Canton and Flora.

DOR will contract for these services with a single vendor for a contract period beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2028.

DOR released the Metro Hauling Invitation for Bid (IFB) # 3160006431 on February 13, 2024. In response to the IFB, DOR received two (2) sealed bids.

The following vendors submitted responses to the above solicitation and are listed in the order of ranking from lowest to highest price:

- Douglas Express Delivery, LLC., Jackson, MS
- Ruan Transport Corporation, Des Moines, IA

We announce our recommendation to award a contract to the following vendor subject to approval by the Public Procurement Review Board. This recommendation is based on the vendor submitting the lowest price:

- Douglas Express Delivery, LLC., Jackson, MS

We would like to thank each vendor for your time and efforts in preparing a response to this solicitation.

We invite you to contact **Nyla Kendrick, Procurement Officer** if you would like to request a post-award vendor debriefing under Rule 7-113 of the PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations. This debriefing is a meeting and not a hearing; therefore, legal representation is not required. However, if you prefer to have legal representation present, you must provide notification prior to the scheduled meeting so that we can also have legal representation present. Your request for debriefing must be received within three (3) business days after the issuance of this notice or no later than **March 26, 2024**.

Vendors are reminded that any protests of this decision must be submitted to **Nyla Kendrick, Procurement Officer** within seven (7) calendar days after the issuance of this notice or no later than **March 28, 2024**. The protest must be in writing, identify the name and address of the protestor, provide appropriate identification of the procurement and resulting contract number (if known), and detail the nature of the protest, including available supporting exhibits, evidence, or documents to substantiate any claims.

The successful vendor is instructed not to begin work, purchase materials, or enter into subcontracts relating to the project or services until execution of the contract.

We appreciate your interest in doing business with the State of Mississippi.

Sincerely,



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