**NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID**

The Jefferson Davis County Board of Supervisors will receive un-priced solicitations to pre-qualify vendors for a new or used (not more than 250 hours) variable width chip spreader until 10:00 a.m. (CST) on Monday, April 1, 2019. Un-priced solicitations may be submitted by sealed envelope or electronic submittal and must include an email address for the vendor. Sealed envelope solicitations should be addressed to the Purchasing Clerk at 2426 Pearl Avenue or P. O. Box 1317, Prentiss, MS 39474. Electronic submittals may be made at [www.centralbidding.com](http://www.centralbidding.com). For any questions relating to the electronic submittal or reverse auction process, please contact Central Bidding at 1-225-810-4814. The equipment offered shall be according to minimum specifications therefor in the office of the Marion County Board of Supervisors. Specifications are also available through Central Bidding at www.centralbidding.com.

All sealed un-priced solicitations must be received by the Purchasing Clerk prior to or by the acceptance date and time as stated above. All un-priced solicitations must be sealed and clearly marked on the outside of the envelope with “Un-priced Solicitation for a new or used (not more than 250 hours) variable width chip spreader”.

Submissions will be evaluated and vendors submitting acceptable proposals will be invited via email to submit priced bids through a reverse auction. Each vendor shall be required to ensure the delivery and receipt of its sealed and/or electronic un-priced solicitation. Late or incomplete solicitations will not be considered. Modifications will not be considered after the closing date and time.

Priced bidding will be held by an electronic reverse auction on Thursday, April 4, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. (CST). Reverse auction bids can be submitted at [www.centralbidding.com](http://www.centralbidding.com). Alternatively, written priced bids shall be sealed and clearly labeled on the outside of the envelope “New or used (not more than 250 hours) variable width chip spreader” and hand-delivered to the Purchasing Clerk’s Office at 2426 Pearl Avenue, Prentiss, MS 39474 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. (CST) on Thursday, April 4, 2019 and will be included in the “live” reverse auction.

The Jefferson Davis County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to utilize “anti-sniping” for reverse auctions. Anti-sniping is a tool that automatically extends the bid time for a reverse auction by fifteen (15) minutes if a vendor places a bid in the final five (5) minutes of the reverse auction. The anti-sniping effect will auto-extend the reverse auction bid time any time a bid is placed in the last five (5) minutes of the reverse auction and can auto-extend the reverse auction multiple times until the bidding on the reverse auction ends.

The Jefferson Davis County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any and all bids submitted and to waive informalities.

 /s/Janice Bridges

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 Janice Bridges, Purchase Clerk

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