NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID: NEW 4WD BACKHOE/LOADER

Sealed bids will be accepted by the Board of Supervisors of Harrison County, Mississippi, at the Board Meeting Room in the First Judicial District Courthouse, 1801 23rd Ave., Gulfport, Mississippi 39502, until the hour of 10:30 AM, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2018 for one (1) "4WD BACKHOE/LOADER".

All prospective bidders may obtain a Specification Package with all requirements by contacting the Harrison County Purchasing Department at 228-865-4028, located in the First Judicial District Courthouse at 1801 23rd Ave, Gulfport, Mississippi between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

All bids must be on file with the Clerk of the Board prior to the opening time as stated above. All bids must be sealed and clearly marked on the outside of the envelope as indicated "4WD BACKHOE/LOADER" to be opened 10:30 AM, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2018.

Envelopes not so marked are submitted at the risk of the prospective submitter and the County assumes no responsibility for the premature opening of same by any County employee.

Bids sent through the U.S. Mail are done so at the risk of the bid submitter' and should be addressed to the Harrison County Board of Supervisors, in care of the Chancery Clerk's Office, Post Office Drawer CC Gulfport, Mississippi 39502. The County is NOT responsible for bids that arrive in the mail after the designated opening time. Bids may be delivered in person to the Harrison County Chancery Clerk's office in the First Judicial District Courthouse located at 1801 23rd Ave, Gulfport, Mississippi until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 5, 2018 or the Board of Supervisor's meeting room at the First Judicial District Courthouse, 1801 23rd Ave., Gulfport, Mississippi 39502 on Tuesday, February 6, 2018 prior to the opening time as listed above.

If the agency is closed for any reason, including but not limited to: acts of God, strikes, lockouts, riots, acts of war, epidemics, governmental regulations superimposed after the fact, fire, earthquakes, floods, or other natural disasters (the "Force Majeure Events"), which closure prevents the opening of bids at the advertised date and time, all bids received shall be publicly opened and read aloud on the next business day that the agency shall be open and at the previously advertised time. The new date and time of the bid opening, as determined in accordance with this paragraph, shall not be advertised, and all Vendors/Contractors, upon submission of a bid, shall be deemed to have

knowledge of and shall have agreed to the provisions of this paragraph. Bids shall be received by the agency until the new date and time of the bid opening as set forth herein. The agency shall not be held responsible for the receipt of any bids for which the delivery was attempted and failed due to the closure of the agency as a result of a Force Majeure Event. Each Vendor/Bidder shall be required to ensure the delivery and receipt of its bid by the agency prior to the new date and time of the bid opening.

The Owner expressly reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids or any part of any or all bids based on a lowest and best bid determination. If the bid documents request separate bids on phases or items of a project, the Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids or any part of any or all bids based on a lowest and best bid determination on each phase or item for which a separate bid is requested.

Bids may be held by the Owner for a period not to exceed one-hundred-twenty (120) days from the date of submittal for the purpose of reviewing the bids.

By Order of the Harrison County Board of Supervisors adopted on the 2nd day of January, 2018.

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/s/ John McAdams Clerk Board of Supervisors

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