**ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROPOSALS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES**

**(Competitive Negotiation)**

Yalobusha County, Mississippi, hereby requests proposals for engineering services in relation to its proposed Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) grant for the Oakland Yalobusha Gas District project (ARC#: MS-18990).

NATURAL GAS IMPROVEMENTS

The Scope of Work will consist of preparation of preliminary cost estimates, preparation of plans and specifications for advertisement of bids; assisting with environmental review; evaluation of bids and recommendation of contract award; preparation of the contract in accordance with ARC/MDA guidelines; conducting pre-construction conference in coordination with project administrator; inspecting construction in progress; and advising the board of supervisors and the project administrator on contractor payments.

Those desiring consideration should submit proposals by the time and date stated below and must include the following:

1. Qualifications – List of qualifications of each staff person to be assigned to project.
2. Experience – Information regarding the experience of the firm. This information should include types of project activities undertaken.
3. Capacity for Performance – Identify the number and title of staff available to be assigned to provide services and capacity to perform the work within the time limitations.
4. Familiarity – Knowledge of the type of problems applicable to the project.

All proposals will be rated on the following system to determine the best proposal: Description and Maximum Points: Qualifications – 30; Experience – 30; Capacity – 30; Familiarity – 30; Total: 120 points.

Proposals will be reviewed by the board of supervisors using the above selection criteria. Each member of the board will assign points to each criterion based on the content of the proposal. Negotiations will be conducted to determine a mutually satisfactory contract first with the firm receiving the highest accumulated points, as rated by the board.

Final award will be made to the responsible proposer whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the county. Proposals should be in a sealed envelope marked “ENGINEERING PROPOSAL – Yalobusha County – Oakland Yalobusha Gas District Project.” Proposals should be mailed or delivered to the Yalobusha County Board of Supervisors, 201 Blackmur Drive, Water Valley, MS 38965, no later than 12:00 p.m. on December 1, 2017.

The County reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

For more information, contact Chris Pope, North Central Planning & Development District, Winona, Mississippi, at (662) 283-2675 or write to 28 Industrial Park Boulevard, Winona, Mississippi 38967.

/s/ Cayce Washington

President

Yalobusha County Board of Supervisors

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Send Proof of Publication to: Chris Pope

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 Winona, Mississippi 38967

Send Bill to: Amy McMinn, Chancery Clerk

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