ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

PRE-OWNED LOCOMOTIVES REVERSE AUCTION BID EVENT HANCOCK COUNTY PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given that the **HANCOCK COUNTY PORT AND HARBOR COMMISSION** will receive bids via Electronic Reverse Auction Sealed Bidding Process for the purchase of the following: **Used Rail Locomotives; 1 Switcher Unit; 2 Short Rail Units.**

Bids will be received by an Electronic Reverse Auction Sealed Bidding Process administered by Southern Procurement Services at the HANCOCK COUNTY PORT AND HARBOR COMMISSION located at 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS 39556.

Specification Response Form is due **31 January 2019**. All bidders that submit a Specification Response Form will receive an Inclusion/Exclusion Notification by email on **6 February 2019**.

Bids will be received on **7 February 2019** beginning at **10:00 AM CST** at which time bidding will begin and run until Suppliers have completed entering all bids. Thereafter, bids will be taken under advisement and awarded or rejected accordingly based upon the following schedule: **13 February 2019** HCPHC Commissioner Meeting to approve travel to inspect lowest and best unit(s); **18 February 2019** Board approval for purchase or rejection of unit(s).

A complete bid package which contains bid instructions and specification response sheets may be obtained by registering as a supplier at <u>https://southernprocurement.procureport.com</u>. Once registered, vendors shall email Southern Procurement at <u>vaughn@southernprocurement.com</u> and request addition to the bid platform. Please use the term "**HCPHC Rail Project**" in the subject line. Vendors must include full contact information, including company name, email address, telephone numbers and contact person in your email request. Email requests will be filled within 24 hours of submission or registration.

Questions or queries regarding clarifications regarding specifications shall be directed to Vaughn Blaylock, Southern Procurement, via email at <u>vaughn@southernprocurement.com</u>. After questions are taken from all vendors, answers will be provided in the form of a Clarification or Addendum, if needed, and distributed to all potential bidders. No pre-bid meeting is required for this event.

Registration with Southern Procurement Services and acceptance of the Southern Procurement Services Platform Agreement is not optional and is required in order to participate in this bidding event. No exceptions will be made.

Specification responses must be submitted for this bid event and are due no later than 31 January 2019 at 5:00 PM local time in order to be considered for this bidding opportunity. Bid responses should be delivered via email to:

Vaughn Blaylock vaughn@southernprocurement.com After Specification Response Form review, potential bidders will be notified by Noon, 6 February 2019 of their approval to bid in this event.

Following bid day, the lowest and best vendor(s) will be contacted in order to establish an inspection time for representatives of the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission to inspect offered unit(s). Vendors should be prepared to hold units to be inspected between February 11 - 17, 2019.

No bid shall be withdrawn after the scheduled date and time of the beginning of the bidding event without the written consent of the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission. Within the limitations of Mississippi State Purchasing Law, the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids received, to waive any informalities or irregularities in the bids received, or to accept any bid which is deemed most favorable to the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission.

Paula Jordan

Secretary Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission

Performance Dates:

Advertise: 9 January 2019 and 16 January 2019 Specification Response Form Due: 31 January 2019 5:00 PM CST Bidder Inclusion Notification by: 6 February 2019 12:00 PM CST Bid Date: 7 February 2019 10:00 AM CST HCPHC Inspection Dates (Lowest and Best Unit(s) Only): 11 February 2019 – 17 February 2019 Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission Board Meeting: 13 February 2019 Hancock County Board of Supervisors Meeting for Potential Award: 18 February 2019