NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Northwest MS Community College Office of Purchasing will receive bids for the purchase of

BID # 20-002-10, 5-AXIS VERTICAL MACHINING CENTER

Pursuant to MS Code 31-7-13 and House Bill 1109, this commodity will be procured through a multi-step procurement process, including a reverse auction. In Phase One, technical proposals are evaluated for potential acceptability based upon pre-determined criteria. In Phase Two, only those bidders whose technical proposals are determined acceptable shall be invited to provide priced bids for consideration. Technical bid proposals will be accepted until 3:30 p.m. on Friday, February 21, 2020, in sealed envelopes at the Office of Purchasing, 102 Administration Circle, Senatobia, Mississippi, or by electronic bid submission. Submissions will be evaluated and vendors submitting acceptable offers will be invited to submit priced bids. Electronic bids can be submitted at www.centralbidding.com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814.

Final, invited, priced bidding will be held by electronic reverse auction on Tuesday, February 25, 2020, at 10:00 a.m., closing on Tuesday, February 25, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. Bidders may come to the Office of Purchasing with a paper bid and receive technical assistance in entering their bid in the reverse auction if needed.

Specifications and procedures are available at Office of Purchasing, 2nd floor McCormick Administration Building, 102 Administration Circle, Senatobia, MS during normal business hours at no charge. Bid packages may also be downloaded from Central Bidding for a fee at www.centralbidding.com. All bids must comply with the specifications provided.

Minority and Woman Owned Business Enterprises are solicited to bid on this project as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities, equipment, material and/or supply needs.

Northwest MS Community College is an Equal Opportunity Employer, and hereby notifies that all Bidders will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this advertisement for bids and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual preference, marital or veteran status, or any other legally protected status in consideration for an award.

The successful Bidder shall comply with the Davis-Bacon Act (where applicable) which requires that all laborers and mechanics shall be paid at rates not less than those determined by the Department of Labor to be prevailing for the locality in which the project is located. No Bidder may withdraw his bid within 90 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

This project is being funded in part by the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) Grant #MS-19778 and the rules and regulations therein apply.

The bid will be awarded to the lowest and or best bid from a responsive, responsible bidder. Bid forms and instructions to bidders are on file in the Office of Purchasing and may be obtained upon request. The College Purchasing Committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive informalities in the bidding.

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