



MS Department of Finance and Administration – Public Procurement Review Board
STATE AGENCY/GOVERNING AUTHORITY

REVERSE AUCTION EXEMPTION FORM

AGENCY/GOVERNING AUTHORITY CONTACT INFORMATION

AGENCY/GOVERNING AUTHORITY NAME: Mississippi Department of Transportation

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BRIEF COMMODITY DESCRIPTION: Under Bridge Inspection Platform Truck

NIGP COMMODITY CODE: 07208

QUANTITY 1-Purchase , Agency Contract 0-3

ESTIMATED COST \$ 600,000.00 (1) Agency Contract 0-3 -\$1,800,000.00

PURCHASING DIRECTOR/DESIGNEE SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: 6/5/2019

PLEASE PROVIDE A DETAILED EXPLANATION WHY A REVERSE AUCTION IS NOT IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE STATE:

The Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) is requesting an exemption from a reverse auction for an Under Bridge Inspection Platform truck. This is a highly specialized piece of equipment with a very limited vendor pool and is vital to MDOT's daily inspection of bridges. The Under Bridge Inspection Platform truck is the only way the agency can inspect high rise bridges on Interstates and other high traffic volume roads. The Under Bridge Inspection Platform truck is a highly technical and complex good that is not be a good candidate for reverse auctions.

PLEASE PROVIDE AN ALTERNATIVE PROCESS TO SOLICIT BIDS THAT PROMOTES OPEN COMPETITION:

Based on section 3.106.22 of the Mississippi Procurement Manual, MDOT believes the Competitive Sealed Bid is the best method to procure the Under Bridge Inspection Platform truck. The use of Competitive Sealed Bids will insure open competition as it is the preferred method for the procurement of commodities, services, or constructions under section 3.106.02 of the Mississippi Procurement Manual.

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APPROVED: ☐ REJECTED: ☐ APPROVED UPON CONTINGENCY: ☐

DATE: _____

NOTES: _____

- Governing Authorities must submit completed form to PPRB@DFA.MS.GOV. The email subject line must contain- **GOVERNING AUTHORITY NAME_REVERSE AUCTION EXEMPTION** (Ex: HINDS COUNTY_REVERSE AUCTION EXEMPTION)
- State Agencies must use MAGIC to request an exemption. An "OVAR" Rfx type must be created with the Reverse Auction Exemption Form attached. Link to Reverse Auction Exemption Instructions: <https://www.dfa.ms.gov/pprb/>
- All exemption requests must be submitted by the published deadline. The submission deadline schedule can be found at: <http://www.dfa.ms.gov/pprb/>