**Notice of Intent to Award**

December 6, 2022

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| **Procurement Type and Number** | Invitation for Bid 22-3 |
| **Procurement Title** | Food Management Services |
| **Opening Date and Time** | November 30, 2022, 4:00 pm |

The following vendors submitted responses to the above solicitation:

* HHS
* CURA
* ARAMARK
* HCSG

Responses were evaluated according to the criteria stated in the solicitation. We announce our intent to award a contract to the following vendor upon approval by the Public Procurement Review Board:

* HCSG; Healthcare Services Group 3220 Tillman Dr. Ste. 300 Bensalem, PA 19020

We would like to thank each vendor for your time and efforts in preparing a response to this solicitation.

We invite you to contact Andrea M. Davis, Procurement Team Leader, if you would like to request a post-award vendor debriefing where we can share with you any applicable information about **your response** including significant weaknesses or deficiencies, technical ratings, and overall ranking specific to **your company’s response**. This debriefing is a meeting and not a hearing; therefore, legal representation is not required. However, if you prefer to have legal representation present, you must provide notification prior to the scheduled meeting so that we can also have legal representation present. Your request for debriefing must be received within three (3) business days after the issuance of this notice or no later than December 9, 2022.

Vendors are reminded that any protests of this decision must be submitted to Andrea M. Davis, Procurement Team Leader, within seven (7) calendar days after the issuance of this notice or no later than December 21, 2022. The protest must be in writing, identify the name and address of the protestor, provide appropriate identification of the procurement and resulting contract number (if known), and detail the nature of the protest, including available supporting exhibits, evidence, or documents to substantiate any claims.

The successful vendor is instructed not to begin work, purchase materials, or enter subcontracts relating to the project or services until execution of the contract.

We appreciate your interest in doing business with the State of Mississippi.

Sincerely,

***Andrea M. Davis, PTL***

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