INVITATION FOR BIDS

FOREST PRODUCTS FOR SALE

 ON HARRISON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT LANDS

### SEALED bids will be received by the Harrison County Board of Education at the School District Office, 11072 Highway 49 Gulfport, MS 39503 up to and not later than 10:00 a.m. February 28, 2017, for the purchase on a per-ton basis for all timber, standing or down, designated for harvesting in Section 16, Township 5 South, Range 9 West, Harrison County, Mississippi. Each bidder is expected to make their own cruise and to bid accordingly.

Before bids are submitted, full information concerning the timber, the conditions of sale and the submission of bids should be obtained from the Harrison County Service Forester (Hoover McKie) MS Forestry Commission, 14601 County Farm Road, Gulfport, MS 39503 (telephone number 601-716-6507 or 601- 928-5261). The right to reject any and all bids is reserved.

The sale is for a pay-as-cut-buyer-select thinning operation of a + 59 acre slash pine plantation which includes row/corridor/select thinning. The area was hand planted and is 26 years old. It has an average merchantable height of 45 feet and an average DBH of 7.7 inches. At present the average basal area is 123 square feet per acre. Where rows can be distinguished every fifth row will be taken for haul and skid purposes. Where rows are not distinguishable corridors 15 feet wide will be harvested and utilized as haul and skid rows. The width between corridors will be 50 feet. The timber will be thinned to an average of 65 square feet of basal area per acre. Trees designated for sale are those, pulpwood, and chip-n-saw size trees not needed to form an average basal area of 65 square feet per acre. Such leave basal area shall consist of evenly distributed trees of saw-log or potential saw-log quality. The buyer is expected to select diseased, damaged, and/or stems with undesirable form from the rows to be thinned. Bids will be on a per ton basis for the following products: Pine Pulpwood, Pine Chip-N-Saw, Pine Sawtimber, and Hardwood Pulpwood.

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