

**ADVERTISEMENT FORMS
PORT SPUR TRACKS EXTENSION
LOWNDES COUNTY PORT
LOWNDES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

Sealed bids for Port Spur Tracks Extension at the Lowndes County Port will be received by the Lowndes County Port Authority at 1121 Main Street, Lowndes County Administrative Boardroom, 2nd Floor, Suite 204, Columbus, Mississippi, 39701 until 10:00 A.M on June 14, 2016 and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. A site inspection will be held at 10:00 A.M on May 23, 2016 and June 7, 2016.

This project includes Spur Track Extensions at the Lowndes County Port-East Bank.

The above general outline of features of the work does not in any way limit the responsibility of the Contractor to perform all work and furnish all labor, equipment and materials required by the specifications and the drawings referred to therein.

CERTIFICATE OF RESPONSIBILITY: Each contractor submitting a bid in *excess of \$50,000.00 must show on his bid and on the face of the envelope containing the bid, his Certificate of Responsibility Number*, as required by Section 31-3-21 and 31-3-15, Mississippi Code of 1972. *If the bid does not exceed \$50,000.00, a notation so stating must appear on the face of the envelope.*

Each bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope, addressed to the Port Director, Lowndes County Port Authority. Each sealed envelope containing a bid shall be clearly marked on the outside as: BID ENCLOSED "PORT SPUR TRACKS EXTENSION" and the envelope should also bear on the outside the name of the Company and the Company's address. If forwarded by mail, the sealed envelope containing the bid must be enclosed in another envelope addressed to the Port Director, Lowndes County Port Authority, 1121 Main Street (P. O. Box 633), Columbus, Mississippi 39701 (39703).

Any bid not received in writing at this office by the date and time specified will be declared late. The Port Authority will not be responsible for delays in delivery. It is solely the responsibility of the vendor that bids reach the opening on time. Any bid received after deadline will be returned unopened. Bids or alterations by fax or phone will not be accepted.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within ninety (90) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

EVIDENCE: No bid will be opened, considered or accepted unless the above information is given as specified.

Awarding public contracts to non-resident bidders will be on the same basis as the non-resident bidder's state awards contracts to Mississippi Contractors bidding under similar circumstances. In order to ensure that Mississippi's Golden Rule is followed, state law requires a non-resident bidder to attach to his bid, a copy of his/her resident state's current laws pertaining to such state's treatment.

Bid documents are being made available via original paper copy by UPS. Plan holders are required to contact Project Engineer by email ccrrconsultants@att.net to request Project Plans and Documents. All plan holders are required to have a valid email address and contact information. Bid documents are \$7500 and are non-refundable. Questions regarding the project will be answered by the Project Engineer by email. All questions and answers will be forward to all bidders.

The Lowndes County Port Authority hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged and women's business enterprises will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The Lowndes County Port Authority reserves the right to reject any bids and all bids and waive any informality.

BY: /s/Will Sanders
Port Director

DATES OF PUBLICATION:

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