ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE USE AND BENEFIT OF NESHOBA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

The NESHOBA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS will receive competitive Reverse Auction Bids to be submitted electronically via the Neshoba County website at www.neshobacounty.net with said Reverse Auction occurring via invitation on a date and during a time to be specified from qualified vendors in response to this solicitation for acquiring the following equipment:

- a. One (1) or more, new, 2024 model or newer, Excavator (Mini-Excavator) for the use and benefit of Neshoba County.
- b. Lease Purchase Financing proposals for the acquisition of the above described equipment.

Detailed specifications for the above described equipment and lease-purchase financing terms and bid forms may be obtained from the Neshoba County Board of Supervisors office at the Neshoba County Courthouse, 401 Beacon Street, Suite 201, Philadelphia, Mississippi 39350, by calling 601-656-6281 or by Neshoba County's website at <u>www.neshobacounty.net</u>. Neshoba County, Mississippi will determine if compliance with the specifications exist before accepting any bid.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS:

The detailed proposal, less the fixed price to be bid, in response to this solicitation shall be submitted via single file PDF under the correct bid solicitation at <u>www.neshobacounty.net/bids</u> or be placed in a sealed envelope marked "2024 Mini-Excavator Bid" and filed with the Neshoba County Board of Supervisors C/O Chancery Clerk Gidget Stovall Tate, 401 Beacon Street, Suite 107, Philadelphia, Mississippi 39350 by 12:00 noon on Wednesday, February 28, 2024. The proposals submitted for the lease-purchase financing of said equipment must be in compliance with the laws of the State of Mississippi. Neshoba County will not be responsible for opening of bids not properly marked or received after the proposal response date and time.

It shall be incumbent upon each bidder to understand the specifications as listed herein and to obtain clarification when necessary. It is not the intent of these specifications to limit the bidding to any particular make or manufacturer of equipment or provider of services, but rather to select such equipment or services to provide for specific needs and specific tasks. Any reference to name-brand materials or equipment is intended to establish the minimum necessary standards only and bids submitted on materials and equipment thereto, at the sole discretion of Neshoba County, shall be considered. Bidders may submit bids for the equipment only, the lease-purchasing financing only or both the equipment and lease-purchasing. If only one bid is received for lease purchase financing, the Neshoba County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to solicit and obtain at least one other written competitive bid to be in compliance with the requirements of the laws of the State of Mississippi.

Additionally, for the equipment solicited herein the vendor shall offer a guaranteed buy back provision for said equipment at the end of three (3), four (4) and five (5) year periods which will also be utilized in the determination of the lowest and best bid for said equipment.

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<u>/s/_GIDGET STOVALL TATE</u> GIDGET STOVALL TATE, CLERK BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NESHOBA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

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