## INVITATION TO BID HEAVY EQUIPMENT

## NOTICE OF BID OPENING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Association of County Commissions of Alabama, which administers the Alabama County Joint Bid Program on behalf of Alabama's county governing bodies, shall receive and open bids for the purchase of zero (0) or more items of heavy road equipment at its office located at 2 North Jackson Street, Montgomery, Alabama, at **10:00 a.m. on Friday, November 1, 2024**. Bid specifications are available at <a href="http://www.alabamacounties.org/heavy-equipment/">http://www.alabamacounties.org/heavy-equipment/</a> for each of the following items:

Track Mount Excavators
Compact Track Mount Excavators
Mini Track Excavator
Wheeled Excavator
Highway Speed Truck Excavators
Motor Grader
Wheel Loader
Heavy Duty Dump Chassis
Lowboy Tractor

Lowboy Trailer
Skid Steer and Attachments
Ride-on Industrial Boom Mowers
Rubber Tire Roller
One-man Pothole Patchers
Trailer Mount Mastic Patcher/Crack Sealer
Chip Spreader
Asphalt Distributor

Time is of the essence in submitting bids and only bids received in the Association office by 10:00 a.m. Central Time on Friday, November 1, 2024 will be opened and considered. Bidders and any other interested individuals are invited to attend the bid opening.

## NOTICE OF BID OPENING PROCEDURES

All bids for **Heavy Equipment** will be opened and the name(s) of the bidders read aloud on the morning of the bid opening on **Friday**, **November 1**, **2024 at 10:00 a.m.** at 2 North Jackson Street, Montgomery, AL. The specifics of each bid submitted will be compiled by the Association staff thereafter and will be available, **upon written or emailed request**, one week after the bid opening. Requests should be emailed to jointbid@alabamacounties.org.

## THE INVITATION PACKAGE

The invitation package for each item to be bid includes: this invitation to bid, the written bid specifications for the particular item of heavy road equipment, and a Bid Submittal Form to be used in submitting a bid for that particular item. Bidders should verify that they have received all pages of the invitation package. If there are any omissions, the bidder should contact **Kenya Howard** in the Association office by mail, fax, or e-mail (jointbid@alabamacounties.org) to request missing pages. It is the responsibility of the bidder to make this request in sufficient time to prepare and submit the bid in time for the bid opening. Bidders should carefully read and comply with all parts of the invitation package, including all attachments and/or any addendum.

## PREPARING AND SUBMITTING BIDS

All bids must be typed or hand written in ink on the attached Bid Submittal Form. The completed Bid Submittal Form shall be placed in front of and separated from all other documents included in the bid packet, such that it will be the first document viewed upon opening the bid packet.

Bids submitted in pencil and bids not submitted on the Bid Submittal Form *will not* be considered. All bids shall include a current catalog or model specification document for the equipment model number being

offered for consideration. Bids submitted without such documentation *will not* be considered. Only information contained on the attached Bid Submittal Form and in the model specification document will be considered in evaluating bids.

Each separate requirement in the bid specification includes a block for indicating whether or not the item bid meets the specification. The bidder shall indicate compliance with each requirement by checking "Yes" or "No" in the block to the right of each bid specification. In addition, the bidder shall indicate the page number in the supplied manufacturer's equipment literature on which compliance with the specification can be verified. Failure to complete this portion of the bid form may result in the subject bid not being considered.

Each bid for one of the heavy equipment items included in the bid package must be submitted on the Bid Submittal Form for that item and forwarded in a separate envelope with the bid item and item number clearly identified on the outside of the envelope. Envelopes containing a "no bid" shall also include the words "NO BID" on the outside of the envelope. Facsimiles and e-mails will not be accepted. Bids submitted by "Express/Overnight" services must be in a separate inner envelope or package sealed and identified as stated above. All bids must be received in the Association office prior to the bid opening. Bids received after the deadline will be returned unopened.

The County Joint Bid Program reserves the right to require a performance bond from successful bidders as permitted under Alabama law. However, **no bid bond is required for this bid offering**.

All bids should be mailed or hand-delivered to:

ATTN: Patrick McDougald
Association of County Commissions of Alabama or ACCA
2 North Jackson Street, FL 7, Montgomery, Alabama 36104 (Physical Address)
P.O. Box 5040, Montgomery, Alabama 36103 (Mailing Address)

### **BID SPECIFICATIONS**

Please note that each piece of heavy equipment available for bid may include several different sizes and categories of machines. You should read each set of specifications very carefully as the differences vary depending upon the piece and size of equipment.

The award will be based on the total cost of the **Standard Machine** bid by the lowest responsible bidder. Each Bid shall include a **Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price Sheet (MSRP)** for each machine bid. The percent difference between the Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) for the standard machine as specified by these bid specifications and the actual price bid by the vendor will be calculated and that percentage discount shall be applied to any options an individual county may choose to add to the machine.

Once the bids have been awarded, any county participant purchasing under this program may, at its discretion, add any of the vendor's available options at the same discount off the Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price Sheet as was applied to the Standard Machine Price Bid.

Any use of specific names and/or model numbers in the attached specifications is not intended to restrict the bidder or any seller or manufacturer, but is included solely for the purpose of indicating the type, size, and quality of materials, product services, or equipment considered best adapted to the use of the counties participating in the joint bid program.

## ACQUISITION AND FINANCING OPTIONS

The awarded Vendor will provide the equipment, including any options required by the purchaser, at the awarded price as contracted through the Joint Bid Program. The purchaser may secure its own financing to acquire the equipment or execute any financial options available under Alabama law with the awarded Vendor in order to acquire the equipment.

## **BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS**

All bidders and all program participants must be in compliance with any applicable federal, state, county and municipal laws, regulations, resolutions and ordinances, including but not limited to, licensing, permitting, and taxation requirements. All bidders should be prepared to submit evidence or documentation as proof that they are properly licensed and permitted under any applicable laws upon request. Such evidence or documentation may be submitted with the bid. Additionally, all bidders shall provide proof that they are in compliance with the E-Verify requirements of Alabama's Immigration Law (Ala. Code § 31-13-1 et seq., as amended by Act No. 2012-491).

### **BID AWARD**

The Houston County Commission will serve as the awarding authority for all bids and will award all contracts at a regular meeting of the Houston County Commission. Any and all bids submitted in compliance with this invitation to bid shall be considered, and award will be made to the lowest responsible bidder meeting bid specifications as determined by the awarding authority in compliance with Alabama law. All bids will be reviewed and evaluated by a committee created for that purpose, which committee will make comments and recommendations to the awarding authority regarding the award. All factors contained in each invitation package will be evaluated in determining the successful bidder, and any omissions of the stated requirements may be cause for rejection of the bid submitted. The awarding authority reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids, and to accept in whole or in part such bid or bids solely at its discretion.

The contract period will be one year with an option to renew for a second and third year under identical price, terms, and conditions upon the mutual consent of the vendor and the awarding authority. Any renewal contract shall be approved in writing by the vendor and the awarding authority no later than 90 days prior to the expiration of the existing contract.

### CONTACT REGARDING BIDS AND INVITATION

Contact initiated by a potential bidder with any county official, county employee, or member of the Association staff shall only be as specifically set out in this Invitation to Bid. Any questions related to the bid or the County Joint Bid Program shall be directed to Association staff in writing under the procedures set out in this Invitation to Bid. Additionally, a bidder may contact the Association in writing to request an appointment to review bid specifications following the bid opening. However, there shall be no communication with any county official or county employee regarding this bid between the date of this invitation and the date of bid award. Any contact other than as set out here shall be deemed as an attempt to unduly influence the bid award, and shall be grounds for rejection of the bid submitted by the bidder initiating such other contact.

Any questions or problems related to downloading or obtaining copies of this Invitation to Bid should be directed to **Kenya Howard** at jointbid@alabamacounties.org or **334-263-7594**.

Any other questions or requests for additional information regarding this invitation or the bid specifications shall be submitted **in writing** no later than five (5) days prior to bid opening to:

ATTN: Patrick McDougald Association of County Commissions of Alabama P.O. Box 5040 Montgomery, Alabama 36104

OR

Patrick McDougald
Email: pattymackdaddy@gmail.com

# BID SUBMITTAL FORM Alabama County Joint Bid Program BID ITEM – 19 TON WHEELED EXCAVATOR

Company Name:		
Address:		
Bid Submitted by:		
	(Name of company representative)	
Title:	E-mail address:	
Phone:	Fax:	
By submitting this bid, we agree:		Initials
The equipment model number identifie	ed below meets the bid specs for this bid item	
That the bid price will be honored for a <b>December 31, 2025</b> .	all counties for the period from January 1, 2025 to	
The equipment will be delivered at the joint bid program	e bid price to all counties participating in the	
The company representative listed about this bid item under the joint bid progra	ove will be the contact person for purchasing m	
The bid is accompanied by a current of model number identified below	catalog or model specification document for the	
The bid is accompanied by a copy of t in the bid specifications	the manufacturer's standard warranty as required	
The bid includes the E-Verify document	ntation required by Alabama law	
If awarded the bid, a performance bor	nd will be provided upon request	
	facturer's Suggested Retail Price Sheet (MSRP) I available options for the machine bid.	

## 19 TON WHEELED EXCAVATOR

Total Bid Price for Standard Machine: \$
(Total Bid Price for Standard Machine Includes Freight Preparation, Delivery and Standard Warranty Costs)
Freight Preparation and Delivery: \$(Included in Standard Machine Bid Price)
Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price for Standard Machine: \$
Equipment Model #:
Description:
Signature of company representative submitting bid:
Title:

\* NOTE: Award will be made based on the total cost of the **Standard Machine**. The total cost of the standard machine is to include the freight preparation, delivery and standard warranty cost. Freight preparation, delivery will be excluded from the total bid price of the standard machine in determining the percentage discount for any available options.

## BID SUBMITTAL FORM: OPTION COST SHEET 19 TON WHEELED EXCAVATOR

By submitting this bid, we agree:	
To offer any available options at the percent difference between the Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price Sheet and the actual bid price on the Standard Machine*	
The bid documents include the Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price Sheet (MSRP) with any available Options for the Standard Machine	
Equipment Model #:	
Description:	
Signature of company representative submitting bid:	
Title:	

\*Note: The percent difference between the Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price Sheet (MSRP) for the standard machine as specified by these Bid Specifications and the actual price bid by the vendor will be calculated to determine the percentage discount to be applied to any available options. The bid price of the freight preparation, delivery cost shall be excluded in determining the percentage discount to be applied to available options. Any individual county may choose to add any available option to the standard machine at the percentage discount at the time of purchase.

## BID SPECIFICATIONS FOR 19 TON WHEELED EXCAVATOR

## GENERAL

These specifications shall be construed as the minimum acceptable standards for a 19-ton wheeled excavator. Should the manufacturer's current published data or specifications exceed these standards, the manufacturer's standards shall be considered minimum and shall be furnished. All integral parts not specifically mentioned in the scope of these specifications that are necessary to provide a complete working unit shall be furnished. Additionally, the machine offered for bid shall include all standard manufacturer's equipment. The 19-ton wheeled excavator must be a new current production model and shall meet all EPA and other applicable standards at the time of manufacture.

The use of specific names and numbers in the specifications is not intended to restrict the bidder or any seller or manufacturer, but is intended solely for the purpose of indicating the type, size and quality of equipment considered best adapted to the uses of the counties participating in this joint bid.

## **BID SUBMITTAL FORM**

Each bidder must submit his or her bid on the bid submittal form included in the invitation to bid package. All written warranties to be submitted shall be attached to the bid submittal form.

## **BID PRICE**

The price bid shall include all destination charges, delivery charges, title fees, rebates, and all other applicable costs and refunds.

### **MANUALS**

Each unit shall be provided with one (1) copy of the operator's manual, one (1) copy of the repair manual and one (1) copy of the current parts manual. Units will not be accepted for delivery until the manuals as outlined above are received by the purchaser.

## REPLACEMENT PARTS AVAILABILITY

Parts must be available for 5 years or 7,500 hours of use for the piece of equipment. If any replacement parts are not delivered within three (3) working days of an order being placed, the bidder will deliver an equivalent machine for the county to use at no cost to the county until such time as the parts are delivered to the county so it can affect repairs to its machine.

#### WARRANTY

TO ACCOUNT	
Bidders shall submit a copy of the manufacturer's standard warranty.	Warranty shall include service response time of
maximum of 36 hours within notification by county.	Yes No
	Page #
	or
	Attachment

<u>WEIGHT</u>	.,	
Minimum 35,000 lbs.		_ No
ENCINE		
ENGINE Four (4) cylinders, turbo charged, diesel engine with minimum of 140	Yes _	No
Horsepower. Displacement minimum of 245 cu. In.		
Oil and fuel filters of spin-on type, vertically mounted.		_ No
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Automatic engine speed control		_ No
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Engine designed and produced by equipment manufacturer		_ No
	Page #	
TRANSMISSION Three speed hydrostatic, all-wheel drive	Yes	_ No
Three speed figurestatio, an wheel and		
Maximum travel speed not less than 20 mph	Ves	_ No
waxiinum traver speed not less triair <b>20</b> mpri		
Three (3): Modes: Travel, Work and Custom	Yes	_ No
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HYDRAULICS		
Variable displacement, load sensing hydraulic system with pressure compensated valves.		_ No
AN	r age "	
Minimum <b>60</b> -gallon hydraulic oil system with min of 70 gpm of flow Yes No		
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Travel circuit maximum pressure not less than 5,200 psi	Yes	_ No
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Implement circuit maximum pressure not less than 5,200 psi	Yes	_ No
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High pressure hydraulics circuit capable of powering high speed cutting attachment with piping	Vρς	_ No
And quick Disconnects and min flow of 63 gpm.	103	110
Page#		

AXLES/BRAKES		
Oscillating Steering Axle with a min of 9 degrees of oscillation	Yes Page #_	
Minimum 13" ground clearance	Yes Page #_	
Minimum tractive force/drawbar pull 24,954 lb.	Yes Page #_	
ELECTRONICS, ELECTRONIC CONTROLS, ELECTRIC SYSTEM		
Electronic fluid level check at machine start-up with operator warning for the following fluids: engine coolant, hydraulic oil	Yes Page #_	
24-volt electrical starting system with back up alarm	Yes Page #_	
Alternator rated at not less than 120 amps	Yes Page #_	
Central diagnostic function to record system parameters and faults	Yes	No
Master electrical disconnect switch that cuts all electrical power to all circuits	Page #_ Yes	. No
BOOM STICK AND PERFORMANCE	Page #_	<del></del>
2-piece articulating boom with 8'6" minimum stick length	Yes Page #_	
Boom shall have ability to swing 35 degrees left and 35 degrees right of center	Yes Page #_	_ No
Minimum reach at ground level not less than 30' 0"	Yes Page #_	
Maximum digging depth not less than 18'-11"	Yes Page #_	
Maximum bucket digging force with standard trenching bucket not less than 28,326 lbs.		_ No
Maximum lifting capacity at ground level from machine at max reach With outriggers down and blade down shall be a min of 7,100 lbs. across tires	Yes Page #_	_ No

CAB	
Road, tail, and turn lights	Yes No Page #
Deluxe High Back Suspension seat with heated base	Yes No Page #
Outrigger and Blade controls shall have the option to move independently	Yes No Page #
Factory installed radio and USB port and 12 Volt plug	Yes No Page #
Factory installed automatic climate control with easy removable primary filter	Yes No Page #
All hydraulic controls locked out when console is in raised position.	Yes No Page #
Shall have easy to read 8.3" LCD monitor for machine function and camera views.	Yes No Page #
GENERAL:	
Fuel capacity not less than 52 gal.	Yes No Page #
Maximum slew radius shall be no more than 5'-10".	Yes No Page #
Wheelbase: 8' 6"	Yes No Page #
Shall be equipped with bolt on front mounted blade and bolt on rear outriggers	Yes No Page #
Tires: 10.00X20 dual wheels with Fenders	Yes No Page #
Unit shall be equipped with rotating beacons on cab and counterweight	Yes No Page #
Unit shall have cameras mounted on the right side and rear of machine	Yes No Page #
Hydraulic quick coupler that does not increase tip radius	Yes No Page #

Machine shall have a boom suspension system	Yes No Page #
Machine shall have boom float	Yes No Page #
Machine shall have reversible engine cooling fan	Yes No Page #
Machine shall have boom anti rupture valves	Yes No Page #
LED Work lights front, back and side of the cab 2 each	Yes No Page #
Tool box mounted on lower frame	Yes No Page #

## Bucket:

Standard with no bucket. Buckets will be considered optional attachments.