

## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS KAREI MCDONALD EXECUTIVE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

October 19, 2023

Re: IFB-RFx: 31600006069 - Commercial Washers and Dryers

Notice to All Bidders:

In a review of our procurement files, we discovered an error with the bid tabulations for the above reference Invitation for Bids (IFB). The correct amounts were announced during the bid opening; however, the vendors were transposed on the bid tabulation sheet. Below are the correct bid tabulations:

Vendor: Laundry South	Days in Delivery	Cost:
Washer:	65	\$19,980.00
Dryer:	75	\$ 8,890.00
Total		\$28,870.00

Vendor: Alliance Laundry Dist.	Days in Delivery	Cost:
Washer:	40	\$16,017.00
Dryer:	40	\$5,934.00
Total		\$21,951.00

Bids were evaluated based on the requirements and criteria as set forth in the IFB. Both vendors were deemed responsible. In accordance with the *Mississippi Procurement Manual*, Rule 3.106 (7) "The contract shall be awarded with reasonable promptness by written notice to the lowest responsible bidder whose bid meets the requirements and criteria set forth in the Invitation for Bids."

On October 18, 2023 the Mississippi Department of Corrections issued a Notice of Intent to Award to Laundry South. This Notice was issued in error and is hereby withdrawn. As shown on the tabulations above Alliance Laundry Distribution submitted the lowest bid.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. Please feel free to contact me at 601-359-5250 or <a href="mailto:cfreeman@mdoc.state.ms.us">cfreeman@mdoc.state.ms.us</a>.

Cindy Freeman, Director

Office of Procurement & Contracts

## Notice of Intent to Award

## 10/18/23

Procurement Type and Number	RFx – IFB - 3160006069
Procurement Title	Commercial Washers & Dryers
Opening Date and Time	10/16/23 – 10 a.m.

The following vendors submitted responses to the above solicitation:

- Alliance Laundry Distributors
- Laundry South

The following vendor was determined non-responsive/or non-responsible and have been notified separately of the reason(s) therefor:

Pellerin Laundry

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 (if required):

Pellerin Laundry Systems

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

You may contact Team Lead 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 10/23/2023.

Vendors are reminded that any protests of this decision must be submitted to Cindy Freeman, Procurement/Contract Director. within seven (7) calendar days after the issuance of this notice or no later than 10/27/2023. The protest must be in writing, identify the name and address of the protestor, provide appropriate identification of the procurement and resulting contract number 820006069, 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 into 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,

Christopher Statham, Project Management Team Lead

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