



MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, November 6, 2024

9:00 a.m.

Woolfolk Office Building, Room 138

***This Meeting will be held virtually. Public access to the meeting is available at <https://www.youtube.com/@MSPPRB> ***

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes from the October 2, 2024 Public Procurement Review Board Meeting
- III. Approval of per diem and expenses for the November 6, 2024 meeting and for any additional expenses incurred prior to the December 4, 2024 meeting
- IV. Reports
 - A. OPTFM Emergency Purchases Reported to the Board
 - B. OPTFM Sole Source Purchases Reported to the Board
 - C. OPTFM Staff Approvals Reported to the Board
 - D. BOB Staff Approvals Reported to the Board
 - E. OPSCR Emergency Contracts Reported to the Board
 - F. OPSCR Sole Source Contracts Reported to the Board
 - G. OPSCR Staff Approvals Reported to the Board
 - H. **OPSCR and OPTFM Quarterly Legislative Reports**

Summary of Request: OPSCR has prepared reports to be filed with the Committees on Accountability, Efficiency, and Transparency of the Mississippi State Senate and Mississippi House of Representatives, as required by Miss. Code Ann. § 27-104-7(2)(o)(vi) and Sections 9.5, 10.1.5 and 10.1.7 of the PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations.

 - 1. Emergency and Sole Source Contracts Report

Staff Recommendation: OPSCR recommends approval of this request.

V. DFA Office of Purchasing, Travel and Fleet Management (OPTFM)

A. Petition for Relief from Reverse Auction

1. **Requesting Governing Authority:** Greenville Port Commission

Suppliers: Unknown

Term: One-time purchase

Total Value: \$3,000,000.00

Commodity: Equilibrium Crane (E-crane)

Summary of Request: The Greenville Port Commission is requesting an exemption from using the reverse auction process for the purchase of an equilibrium crane. There are only three (3) manufacturers with limited suppliers, and the Port has determined that the reverse auction process with limited suppliers would likely result in a higher price. They would like to procure with the competitive bid process.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this exemption.

B. Consideration of State Agency Contracts for Board Action

1. **Requesting Agency:** University of Southern Mississippi (USM)

Supplier: PDC Machines, LLC

Contract #: 8200077507

Term: 09/18/2024 through 09/17/2025

Total Value: \$1,142,000.00

Summary of Request: USM solicited bids to purchase a Hydrogen Vehicle Fueling Unit. Only one (1) bid was received, and USM would like to award the contract to PDC Machines, LLC.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this contract.

2. **Requesting Agency:** Delta State University (DSU)

Supplier: CATI Training Systems

Contract #: 8200077631

Term: 11/06/2024 through 11/04/2025

Total Value: \$1,993,630.00

Summary of Request: DSU completed the competitive sealed bid process for the purchase one (1) Flight Training Device representing an Air Tractor 802 aircraft. One (1) vendor responded, and DSU wishes to award the contract to CATI Training Systems.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this contract.

3. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi State University (MSU)

Supplier: Southwest Contract, Inc.

Contract #: 8200077546

Term: 10/02/2024 through 03/31/2025

Total Value: \$772,950.00

Summary of Request: MSU is requesting approval for the purchase of dormitory furniture

using OPTFM's state furniture contract.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this contract.

4. Requesting Agency: Mississippi State University (MSU)

Supplier: Wade, Inc. - Columbus

Contract #: 8200077644

Term: 11/06/2024 through 11/05/2025

Total Value: \$878,985.00

Summary of Request: MSU completed the competitive sealed bid process for the lease of farm equipment with three (3) vendors responding. Only one (1) vendor met the specifications needed for this equipment, and MSU wishes to award to Wade, Inc.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this contract.

5. Requesting Agency: Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (MDMR)

Supplier: Spat-Tech of Mississippi, LLC

Contract #: 8200073244

Term: 03/06/2024 through 06/30/2025

Total Value: \$3,000,000.00

Summary of Request: MDMR is requesting approval to extend the contract term with Spat-Tech for live oyster larvae. The original contract was approved by PPRB on 03/06/2024, and there is no additional cost with this extension.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this extension.

6. Requesting Agency: Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT)

Suppliers: Asplundh Tree Expert; Helena Agri-Enterprises, LLC; Nutrien AG Solutions Inc.; Orion Solutions, LLC; Synergy Partners; Azelis US Holding, Inc

Contract #: 8900002581, 8900002582, 8900002583, 8900002580, 8900002585, 8900002584

Term: 11/06/2024 through 09/30/2025

Total Value: \$2,950,000.00 (\$525,000.00, \$475,000.00, \$525,000.00, \$650,000.00, \$450,000.00, \$325,000.00)

Summary of Request: MDOT completed a competitive sealed bid for multiple herbicides. The contract is awarded to the lowest three bids per line item. This contract has two (2) possible twelve (12) month extensions.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this contract.

7. Requesting Agency: Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT)

Supplier: TraxPlus, LLC

Contract #: 8200077762

Term: 11/06/2024 through 04/30/2020

Total Value: \$1,752,475.00

Summary of Request: MDOT completed the sealed bid process for the purchase of a compact excavator. This contract has the potential for nine (9) six (6) month extensions. This contract shall not exceed sixty (60) months. TraxPlus, LLC agrees to sell to governing

authorities and other state agencies at the MDOT contractual agreement price, terms and conditions.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this contract.

8. Requesting Agency: Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT)

Supplier: Deere and Company

Contract #: 8200054313

Term: 01/01/2021 through 12/31/2025

Total Value: \$1,700,000.00

Summary of Request: MDOT is requesting a contract extension for tractor rental for District II. The original amount was under PPRB threshold and approved by OPTFM Staff. The first, second, and third extensions of this contract were approved by PPRB on 11/03/2021, 11/02/2022, 11/01/2023, respectively. This is the final twelve (12) month extension.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this extension.

9. Requesting Agency: Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT)

Supplier: Deere and Company

Contract #: 8200060066

Term: 01/01/2022 through 12/31/2025

Total Value: \$1,160,000.00

Summary of Request: MDOT is requesting a contract extension for tractor rental for District VI. The original amount was under PPRB threshold and approved by OPTFM Staff. The first and second extensions of this contract were approved by PPRB on 11/02/2022 and 11/01/2023, respectively. This is the third of four (4) possible twelve (12) month extensions.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this extension.

10. Requesting Agency: Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA)

Supplier: Storm Services LLC; 4 D Solutions, Inc and Gothams, LLC

Contract #: 8200072060, 8200072061, 8200072062

Term: 12/11/2023 through 12/10/2025

Total Value: \$4,500,000.00, \$4,500,000.00, & \$4,500,000.00

Summary of Request: MEMA completed the competitive sealed bid process for emergency standby food grade ice (dry ice) to utilize during disaster events. This contract was approved by the PPRB on 12/06/2023, and MEMA is requesting the first of four (4) extensions.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this extension.

11. Requesting Agency: Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA)

Supplier: United Rentals and WSP USA Solutions Inc.

Contract #: 8200071574 and 8200071576

Term: 12/11/2023 through 12/10/2025

Total Value: \$4,500,000.00 and \$4,500,000.00

Summary of Request: MEMA completed the competitive sealed bid process for emergency standby contracts for generators to utilize during disaster events. The contract was approved by the PPRB on 12/06/2023, and MEMA is requesting the first of four (4) extensions.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this extension.

12. Requesting Agency: Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA)

Supplier: Regional Enterprises, LLC

Contract #: 8200054525

Term: 01/06/2021 through 12/31/2025

Total Value: \$28,579,500.00

Summary of Request: This is a standby contract for manufactured housing for use during natural disasters and was approved at the January 6, 2021, PPRB meeting. The contract includes transportation to and from the designated staging area, installation, and utility connections. The first, second, and third extensions were approved by PPRB on 12/01/2021, 12/07/2022, and 12/06/2023, respectively. This will be the fourth and final extension.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this extension.

13. Requesting Agency: Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT)

Suppliers: Covington Sales and Service

Contract #: 8200071821

Term: 11/01/2023 through 05/31/2025

Total Value: \$3,585,064.00

Summary of Request: MDOT completed the competitive sealed bid process for the knuckle boom trucks, and the contract was approved by PPRB on 11/01/2023. MDOT is requesting approval for the second of nine (9) possible six (6) month extensions.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this extension.

14. Requesting Agency: Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT)

Supplier: Model 1 Commercial Vehicles, Inc.

Contract #: 8200066117

Term: 12/07/2022 through 05/31/2025

Total Value: \$7,422,100.00

Summary of Request: MDOT solicited bids for 6-passenger ADA minivans, and the contract was approved by PPRB on 12/7/2022. The first, second, and third extensions were approved on 5/3/2023, 11/1/2023, and 5/1/2024, respectively. MDOT is requesting approval of the fourth of nine (9) possible six (6) month extensions.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this extension.

15. Requesting Agency: Alcorn State University (ASU)

Supplier: BSN Sports, LLC

Contract #: 8200076660

Term: 11/07/2024 through 11/30/2029

Total Value: \$1,250,000.00

Summary of Request: ASU was granted a reverse auction exemption at the 3/6/2024 PPRB meeting and completed the competitive bid process for uniforms, shoes, and other athletic wear for university's athletic program. Only one (1) bid was received, and ASU wished to award the contract to BSN Sports based on the required specifications and their ability to

offer the best monetary incentives.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this contract.

16. Requesting Agency: Mississippi Department of Health (MSDH)

Supplier: DLC Enterprises, LLC

Contract #: 8200077648

Term: 11/07/2024 through 11/06/2025

Total Value: \$559,000.00

Summary of Request: MSDH conducted a reverse auction for the purchase of twenty-six (26) decontamination trailers. Only one (1) bidder participated, and MSDH is requesting to award to DLC Enterprises LLC.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this contract.

VI. DFA Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management (BOB/RPM)

A. Consideration of Contracts for Project Professionals

NOTE: Standard Operating Procedures established by the BOB in April 2004, require PPRB approval of fees in excess of \$250,000.00. The following Professionals were selected by interview by the Using Agency and Bureau of Building, et al, procedures. (Fees may or may not be anticipated to be beyond \$250,000.00; however, the Bureau of Building, et al, has established an interoffice procedure to bring RFP/RFQ selections to PPRB for approval or ratification.)

1. Using Agency: Mississippi University for Women

Project Number: GS# 104-209

Project Title: Preplanning Fant Hall Renovations

Location: Columbus, Mississippi

Budget: \$500,000.00

Funding Sources: S.B.3002, L'22 (Educational Enhancement Fund)

Professional Fee: D+ (estimated fees \$1,386,105.80)

Professional: Pryor & Morrow Architects and Engineers, P.A. - Columbus

Scope: Planning through Design Development Phase of renovations of and expansions to the 50,000 square foot 3 story Fant Hall on the MUW main campus to create a living/learning environment consisting of both instructional and residential spaces, as funds permit. The building, first constructed in 1927 has been vacant since suffering from extensive tornado damage in 2002. Scope will include asbestos abatement, restoration of interior and exterior elements, interior reconfiguration, additions to the building for instructional space, ADA improvements and major renovations of the mechanical, electrical, plumbing and life safety systems. Due to the building's Mississippi Landmark status, coordination with the Mississippi Department of Archives and History will be required.

Note: The Professional was selected via a competitive qualification-based selection process.

Staff Recommendation: BOB has reviewed the documentation and recommends PPRB approval contingent upon IHL approval and executable Contract.

2. Using Agency: Northwest Mississippi Community College

Project Number: GS# 213-070

Project Title: Preplan Oxford Health Science Facility

Location: Oxford, Mississippi

Budget: \$500,000.00

Funding Sources: H.B.1353 L'22

Professional Fee: C (estimated fees \$133,311.54)

Professional: Pryor & Morrow Architects and Engineers, P.A. - Columbus

Scope: Preplanning through the Design Development Phase to construct a health science building on the Lafayette Yalobusha Technical Center Campus in Oxford MS. This new two-story, 14,000 square foot facility, will house multiple college credit health science programs. The project's design will include flexible classroom space for instruction and testing, healthcare skills labs, hi-tech simulation labs, administrative offices and support spaces. This effort will also include mechanical, electrical, plumbing and life safety system design as needed per code and ADA compliance.

Note: The Professional was selected via a competitive qualification-based selection process.

Staff Recommendation: BOB has reviewed the documentation and recommends PPRB approval contingent upon executable Contract.

B. Consideration of Construction Contract for Board Action

1. Using Agency: Mississippi Valley State University

Project Number: GS# 106-258

Project Title: Academic Skills TI

General Contractor: Artizan Constructors, LLC

Construction Days from Notice to Proceed [Time]: 365 days

Total Value of Award: \$6,783,848.000 (Base Bid and 5 alternates)

Scope: Interior renovation of the 37,790 square foot Academic Skills facility located on the Mississippi Valley State University campus in Itta Bena, Mississippi.

Staff Recommendation: BOB recommends PPRB approval, contingent upon IHL approval and a fully executable Contract.

C. Consideration of "Agency" Contracts for Construction for Board Action

1. Using Agency: Mississippi Military Department

Project Title: Readiness Center Southaven, Nesbit, Mississippi

General Contractor: Zellner Construction Services, LLC

Construction Days from Notice to Proceed [Term]: 720 days

Total Value of Award: \$29,717,153.00 (Base Bid and 4 alternates)

Scope: All labor, materials, services and equipment necessary to construct an operable Readiness Center, including but not limited to the following: Site development: Excavation, fill, and grading; rigid pavement, flexible pavement, concrete curb and gutters, concrete walks, concrete drainage swales, fencing, gates, flag poles, masonry outbuildings as indicated, ramps, retention pond, landscaping, and lighting. Construction of Readiness Center concrete foundation and slab, structural steel columns and frame, open web steel joist and girders, non-load bearing reinforced masonry walls with masonry and metal panel veneer, structural metal roof deck, purlins, spray applied air barrier-insulation, standing seam metal roofing, lightning protection system, aluminum and hollow metal windows, ballistic doors and glazed frames, metal and wood interior doors, door hardware, painted masonry and steel stud/gypsum board Interior partitions, acoustical insulation, suspended gypsum board ceiling system, painted exposed interior structural, sealed concrete floors, ceramic tile flooring, quarry tile flooring, resilient athletic flooring, solid surface wall panels, wire mesh partitions, lockers, benches, laminate casework, toilet and shower accessories, plumbing systems, mechanical systems, wet and dry pipe fire protection systems, electrical power and lighting systems, communication / data / mass notification / alarm systems. Including providing material and labor to construct training bay area and material and labor to construct non-heated storage space as indicated. Alternates include material and labor to construct additional office and drill hall space, to construct additional kitchen space as indicated, to construct facility signage at main entry as indicated; and, to construct electrical vehicle (EV) charging stations. Total Square Footage is 97,612.

Note: Board Action required when Construction exceeds \$5,000,000.00.

Staff Recommendation: BOB has reviewed the documentation and recommends PPRB approval contingent upon executable Contract.

2. **Using Agency:** Mississippi Military Department

Project Title: ERCIP 10MW Generation Plant and Feeder Micro Grid Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center, Camp Shelby, Mississippi

General Contractor: Codaray Construction, LLC

Construction Days from Notice to Proceed [Term]: 730 days

Total Value of Award: \$28,496,600.00 (Base Bid and 2 alternates)

Scope: All labor, materials, services and equipment necessary to construct a 10 MegaWatt (MW) natural gas generation plant connected to the installation's primary substation and install a micro-grid control system. The generation plant will provide power to substation feeders during an emergency scenario when the electric grid is compromised. The micro-grid control system will provide smart switching capabilities at the feeder level providing critical power to the entire installation. Alternates include generator #4 and #5 and all appurtenances. Facility is 43,560 square feet with 3,900 linear feet of gas line.

Note: Board Action required when Construction exceeds \$5,000,000.00.

Staff Recommendation: BOB has reviewed the documentation and recommends PPRB approval contingent upon executable Contract.

D. Consideration of “Agency” Change Order for Board Action

1. Using Agency: Department of Environmental Quality

Project Title: North Beardslee Lake Marsh Restoration

General Contractor: Breakwater Marine Construction, LLC

Original Contract Sum: \$4,308,850.00

Net Change by Previous Change Orders: \$16,800.00

Total Value of Award before this Change Order: \$4,325,650.00

Total Value of this Change Order: \$916,901.60

Construction Days to Date [Time]: 676 (including 90 days for this Change Order)

Scope: Change Order #3 is a reconciliation of the work actually performed during Phase 1 versus the original scope of work. Due to the mud waving and subgrade material displacement, additional berm material and ballasted composite geogrid material were required to complete Phase 1. To offset the additional cost of these materials, the articulated concrete block was removed from Phase 1. Phase 2 Berm Material quantity was decreased to account for the construction of the Phase 1 berm to elevation +2.0 instead of elevation 0.0 as originally planned. The additional settlement plate was removed due to the inability to utilize the plates in the extremely soft and rolling soils.

Note: Board Action is required when Change Orders exceed \$1,000,000.00, when cumulative Change Orders exceed 25% of original bid or when total project exceeds \$5,000,000.00.

Staff Recommendation: BOB has reviewed the documentation and recommends PPRB approval contingent upon executable Change Order.

E. RPM New Leases

1. Requesting Agency: Mississippi Division of Medicaid

Lease #: 515-452-40A

Lessor: Nerhus Atrium Properties, LLC

Term: 01-01-2025 thru 12-31-2030

Total Yearly Cost: \$168,176.00

Cost PSF: \$12.98 + Utilities & Janitorial

Total Space per Occupant: 250

Federal Funds: 50%

Proposed Square Footage: 12,952

Address of Property: 805 S. Wheatley Street, Ridgeland, MS

Purpose of Lease: This office will serve the Northern Hinds/Madison County area for Medicaid.

Note: This is a five (5) year lease with two five-year options to renew.

Years 1-5 \$168,176.00 per year at \$12.98 psf + Utilities & Janitorial

Years 6-10 \$181,382.24 per year at \$14.00 psf + Utilities & Janitorial
Years 11-15 \$193,047.75 per year at \$14.90 psf + Utilities & Janitorial
This lease was advertised twice and only one response was received.

Staff Recommendation: RPM recommends the approval of this lease.

F. RPM Succeeding Leases

1. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Employment Security
Lease #: 260-242-29A

Lessor: Trebig Southport Properties, LLC

Term: 01-01-2025 thru 12-31-2029

Total Yearly Cost: \$301,010.00

Previous Yearly Cost: \$292,020.00

Cost PSF: \$19.42 + Utilities & Janitorial

Total Space per Occupant: N/A

Federal Funds: 100%

Proposed Square Footage: 15,500

Address of Property: 10162 Southpark Drive, Gulfport, MS

Purpose of Lease: This is a WIN job center for the Gulfport area.

Note: This is a five (5) year succeeding lease with no renewals.

Staff Recommendation: RPM recommends the approval of this lease.

2. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department Rehabilitation Services

Lease #: 725-454-25A

Lessor: RTE Properties, LLC

Term: 12-01-2024 thru 12-31-2025

Total Yearly Cost: \$42,000.00

Cost PSF: \$16.50 + Utilities & Janitorial

Total Space per Occupant: 231

Federal Funds: 80%

Proposed Square Footage: 2,546

Address of Property: 167 Orchard Lane, Madison, MS

Purpose of Lease: The Office of Vocational Rehabilitation occupies this location.

Note: This is a month to month succeeding lease with no renewals. The agency is in the process of advertising for a more permanent location.

Staff Recommendation: RPM recommends the approval of this lease.

G. RPM Amended Leases

1. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Employment Security

Lease #: 260-572-27A
Lessor: Pooley Rental, LLC
Term: 01-01-2025 thru 12-31-2027
Total Yearly Cost: \$71,304.00
Previous Yearly Cost: \$62,000.00
Cost PSF: \$12.51 + Utilities & Janitorial
Previous Cost PSF: \$10.88+ Utilities & Janitorial
Total Space per Occupant: 247
Federal Funds: 100%
Proposed Square Footage: 5,700

Address of Property: 1400-A Harrison Avenue, McComb, MS

Purpose of Lease: The McComb WIN Job Center averages about 50 customers a day and partners with Job Corp. Several job fairs are conducted throughout the year at this location. Local employers use the WIN Job center to conduct interviews. The center also has a resource room for the public to conduct job searches and a training lab for classes.

Note: This is a 3-year lease extension amendment with no renewals. The lessor has not raised rental rates since entering the original lease in January of 2018.

Staff Recommendation: RPM recommends the approval of this lease.

H. RPM Non-Competitive Leases

1. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Development Agency

Lease #: 225-441-27A
Lessor: The Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway Development Authority
Term: 11-06-2024 thru 11-05-2027
Total Yearly Cost: \$6,000.00
Previous Yearly Cost: \$6,000.00
Cost PSF: \$14.96 Inclusive
Previous Cost PSF: \$14.96 Inclusive
Total Space per Occupant: 200
Federal Funds: 62%
Proposed Square Footage: 401

Address of Property: 318 7th Street North, Suite A Columbus, MS

Purpose of Lease: The Mississippi Development Authority operates the Mississippi Technical Assistance Program (MTAP). The purpose of the program is to provide technical assistance to Mississippi businesses by assisting them with obtaining and performing on federal, state, and local government contracts. This lease is for a MTAP regional office located in northeast Mississippi.

Note: This is a three-year lease with no renewals.

Staff Recommendation: RPM recommends approval of this lease.

VII. DFA Office of Personal Service Contract Review (OPSCR)

A. Petition for Relief from Competitive Sealed Bidding

1. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi State Department of Health

RFx Number: 3180002442

Procurement Request: Request for Qualifications

Anticipated Term: Three Years with Two Optional One-Year Renewals

Summary of Request: The Agency is seeking one or more ride-share service providers to provide transportation services for MSDH patients and clients seeking health services from a MSDH clinical location, filling prescriptions prescribed as part of MSDH clinical services from partnering pharmacies statewide, or to an approved MSDH partner location. The Agency contends the use of an Invitation for Bids (IFB) is neither practicable nor advantageous because the Agency needs to evaluate based on technical and performance capabilities and price is not the most important factor to consider for these services. Offerors will be evaluated on the following factors: Technical weighted at 65% and Cost (Price) weighted at 35%.

Staff Recommendation: OPSCR recommends approval of this request.

2. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi State Department of Health

RFx Number: 3180002443

Procurement Request: Request for Proposals

Anticipated Term: Five Years with No Option to Renew

Summary of Request: The Agency is seeking one Contractor to administer Surveillance and Evaluation Services for the Mississippi Comprehensive Tobacco Control Program project to develop and implement a system of surveillance and evaluation for programs and services. The Agency contends the use of an Invitation for Bids (IFB) is neither practicable nor advantageous because the Agency needs to evaluate based on expertise and experience and price is not the most important factor to consider for these services. Offerors will be evaluated on the following factors: Management weighted at 65%, and Cost (Price) weighted at 35%.

Staff Recommendation: OPSCR recommends approval of this request.

3. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi State Department of Health

RFx Number: 3180002445

Procurement Request: Request for Proposals

Anticipated Term: Five Years with No Option to Renew

Summary of Request: The Agency is seeking one Contractor to provide emergency services for the Division of Strategic Planning and Response (SPR) on an as-needed basis. The Contractor will assist (SPR) with logistical support needs required during an activation/response to emergencies affecting the public health and wellbeing of Mississippians. The Agency contends the use of an Invitation for Bids (IFB) is neither practicable nor advantageous because the Agency needs to evaluate based on specific and specialized expertise and capabilities, and price is not the most important factor to consider for these services. Offerors will be evaluated on the following factors: Technical weighted at 15%, Management weighted at 50%, and Cost (Price) weighted at 35%.

Staff Recommendation: OPSCR recommends approval of this request.

4. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services

RFx Number: 3180002430

Procurement Request: Request for Proposals

Anticipated Term: Three Years with One Optional One Two-Year Renewal

Summary of Request: The Agency is seeking one or more contractors to join its Continuum of Care (CoC) network. The CoC is a network of agencies that work together to protect children and offer a wide range of family-centered services, including prevention, medical and legal support, licensed foster homes, and residential treatment. The Agency contends the use of an Invitation for Bids (IFB) is neither practicable nor advantageous because the Agency needs to evaluate based on specific criteria for each service and price is not the most important factor to consider for these services. Offerors will be evaluated on the following factors: Technical weighted at 33%, Management weighted at 32%, and Cost (Price) weighted at 35%.

Staff Recommendation: OPSCR recommends approval of this request.

B. Consideration of Contracts for Board Action

1. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Marine Resources

Supplier: The University of Southern Mississippi

Contract #: 8200077342

Term: 11/15/2024 – 11/14/2029

Total Value: \$2,500,000.00

New

\$2,500,000.00

Summary of Request: The term of the contract is four years with one optional one-year renewal. The Contractor will provide support to MDMR in various fisheries management areas such as, but not limited to, aquaculture; stock enhancements; environmental and ecological assessments, monitoring and modeling; stock assessments; water monitoring; data collection; and other research. Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 27-104-7(2)(i), agencies under the purview of the PPRB may contract with Government Entities not under the purview of the PPRB, without bidding or other solicitation. The Agency has determined the price represents a fair market value for this service.

Staff Recommendation: OPSCR recommends approval of this request.

Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: **\$2,500,000.00** (four years with one optional one-year renewal)

Current Contractor: The University of Southern Mississippi

2. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Oil and Gas Board

Term: 11/06/2024 – 11/05/2028

Total Value: \$1,750,000.00

New

\$1,750,000.00

Summary of Request: The term of the contracts is four years with one optional one-year renewal. The Contractors will provide professional environmental, engineering, and scientific support services regarding well plugging programs implemented and managed by the

Agency. The Contractors was selected through a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) with three respondents. The Contracts were awarded to the two highest scoring Respondents.

a. **Supplier:** Environmental Management Services, Inc.
Contract #: 8200076741

b. **Supplier:** The Center for Toxicology & Environment Health, LLC dba CTEH
Contract #: 8200077408

Staff Recommendation: OPSCR recommends approval of this request, contingent upon receipt of the required Performance Bond and regulatory board minutes.

Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$2,187,500.00 (four years with one optional one-year renewal.)

Current Contractor: N/A

3. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Development Authority
Supplier: Milepost Consulting, SPC
Contract #: 8200077854

Term: 11/06/2024 – 06/30/2026

Total Value: \$365,000.00

New

\$365,000.00

Summary of Request: The term of the contract is twenty months with no renewals. The Contractor provides professional services to support the planning, development, and technical assistance services for the US Department of Energy's Home Energy Rebates Program to fulfill DOE's programmatic requirements under the Inflation Reduction Act. The Agency has determined that exigent circumstances exist that prevent them from running a competitive solicitation because they are facing a time-sensitive deadline for a federal grant application that requires an immediate procurement of services. The application submission deadline for the federal grant is January 31, 2025.

Staff Recommendation: Based on the Agency's determination that the requirements for exigent circumstances have been met, OPSCR recommends approval of this request contingent upon receipt of registration with the Secretary of State.

Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$365,000.00 (twenty months with no renewals)

Current Contractor: N/A

C. Preapproved Vendor List

1. **Service Type:** Temporary Staffing Services
Effective Dates of PVL: 10/04/2023 – 09/30/2026
Renewable Through: 09/30/2028

Summary of Request: OPSCR established a preapproved vendor list (PVL) to provide temporary staffing services on an as-needed basis. Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 27-104-7(2)(i), Agencies under the purview of the PPRB can contract with vendors on the PVL

without bidding or other solicitation. On October 4, 2023, PPRB approved this temporary staffing services list. As set forth in Section 4.4 of IFB No. 2023-01, OPSCR will allow for rolling awards by continuously accepting bids for potential placement on the PVL. The IFB provided that OPSCR would recommend awards be made to all responsive and responsible bidders whose average hourly rate is not more than 125% of the mean of the average hourly rate for that particular region. Ten bidders responded to the IFB, and OPSCR determined that seven of these were responsive and responsible. Out of these, one submitted prices that exceeded the maximum bid price allowed in all regions and all categories. This bidder was deemed ineligible. Additionally, one bidder submitted pricing that exceeded the maximum for General Office Support in the Central and Coastal Regions. Prices will remain firm, valid, and renewable through 09/30/2028, except that a bidder may raise prices in the event of unanticipated market disruptions. Before making a price adjustment, the bidder must provide a market analysis to the Agency regarding the viability of the original bid rates. The Agency makes the final decision on the price adjustment, and this adjustment shall not exceed 110% of the original bid rate.

OPSCR recommends the following vendors be placed on the PVL for the region(s) indicated in the Notice of Intent to Award:

1. ATC Healthcare Services, LLC
2. Beatty's Services, Inc.
3. LanceSoft, Inc.
4. Openwork, LLC
5. Precision Healthcare Staffing
6. QLogic, LLC

Staff Recommendation: OPSCR recommends approval of this request.

D. Office of Statewide Strategic Sourcing

1. Requesting Agency: Mississippi Development Authority

RFx Number: 3180002451

Procurement Request: Request for Proposals

Anticipated Term: Two Years

Summary of Request: The Agency is seeking one Contractor to provide consulting services to the Mississippi Development Authority's Energy and Natural Resources Division by designing grant programs, ensuring compliance with regulations, preparing strategic plans and reports, managing an online application platform, supporting the grant application process, monitoring projects, and engaging stakeholders through training and outreach. The Agency contends the use of an Invitation for Bids (IFB) is neither practicable nor advantageous because the Agency needs to evaluate based on experience, skills, staffing, technical proficiencies, and budget and price is not the most important factor to consider for these services. Offerors will be evaluated on the following factors: Technical weighted at 36%, Management weighted at 29%, and Cost (Price) weighted at 35%.

Staff Recommendation: OSSS recommends approval of this request.

I. Other Business

A. Correction – Master Lease Purchase Program

At the December 2023 PPRB meeting, Item C(1) of the agenda for the Mississippi Board of Animal Health requested emergency approval for use of the Master Lease Purchase Program to finance trucks and equipment in the amount of \$205,433.00. The lease series was incorrectly listed as Master Lease Purchase Series 2024A. The correct lease series should be Master Lease Purchase Series 2023B.

Staff Recommendation: OPTFM recommends approval of this correction.

B. Approval of January 2025 Meeting Date: Wednesday, January 8, 2025

C. Next Regular PPRB Meeting December 4, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

II. Adjournment