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Subject: Authorize request to Public Procurement Review Board for exemption to reverse auction requirement for term bids for fill dirt and various limestone rocks, and authorize advertising for sealed and electronic term bids for same if approved by PPRB

Dear Board Members:


In September, Madison County conducted a reverse auction for term bids for fill dirt and various rock products. We did not receive any bids for the fill dirt and limestone rocks. With much work looming ahead at Sulphur Springs Park, and possible DBST road work, the county will likely need large quantities of crushed limestone rocks and fill dirt.

There is a process in the reverse auction law whereby if a purchasing entity determines that a reverse auction is not in its best interest, then it can request an exemption from the Public Procurement Review Board. Because Madison County did not receive any bids for fill dirt and limestone rock products in the recent reverse auction, it is my opinion that it is in Madison County's best interest to use the sealed and electronic bids method for term bids for said commodities. Without a term bid, the Road Department would be forced into time-consuming drives to Vicksburg to a state contract vendor's yard for any limestone rock purchases greater than \$50,000.

I therefore request authority to apply to the Public Procurement Review Board for an exemption from reverse auction requirements for term bids for fill dirt and limestone rock products, and to attend the PPRB's December 5 meeting in Jackson to present the request.

I also request authority, if the PPRB approves Madison County's request, to advertise for sealed and electronic term bids for the following: 610 base limestone, #4 limestone, #7 washed limestone, #57 washed limestone, #57 unwashed limestone, #89 washed limestone, #89 unwashed limestone, #100 rip-rap, #200 rip-rap, #300 rip-rap, and fill dirt.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.


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Purchase Clerk