

## **Request for Quote – Formal**

**Bid# 3140003960**

### **Instructions and Special Conditions**

### **2025 Diesel Crew Cab four door extended 4X4 with Chassis Vehicle**

**Purpose:** The purpose of this Invitation for Bid is to establish a contract for the purchase of (2) two 2025 Diesel Crew Cab four door extended 4x4 with chassis vehicle. This is a one-time acquisition.

**Submission of**

**Quotes:** Bid(s) will be quoted until Thursday **May 8, 2025, at 10:00 A.M.**, Central Standard Time, in the Procurement Department, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Room 402, 1900 East Woodrow Wilson Avenue, Jackson, MS 39216, or by electronic bid submission via the Mississippi's Accountability system for Government Information and Collaboration (MAGIC). Submission will be evaluated. Vendors who meet all requirements outlined in this invitation will be eligible to participate in the Reverse Auction process.

**Instructions to Bidders:**

All vendors must be registered with the State of Mississippi. If not registered, please go to <https://www.dfa.ms.gov/dfa-offices/mmrs/mississippi-suppliers-vendors/> to register your company and receive a supplier number. Once on the website, click on " Vendor Registration". Then click on "[Vendor Registration/Self Service](#) "

Suppliers who have completed the registration process and have received a User ID and Password must attach a W-9 to their supplier account in the Mississippi's Accountability System for Government Information and Collaboration (MAGIC). Supplier may also submit a valid W-9 to the following:

MS Department of Finance and Administration  
P.O. Box 1060  
Jackson, MS 39215-1060

Or

MS Department of Finance and Administration  
501 North West Street, Suite 701-B  
Jackson, MS 39215-1060

Phone: 601-359-3538  
Fax: 601-359-5525  
Email: [ofmmagic@dfa.ms.gov](mailto:ofmmagic@dfa.ms.gov)

Quotes must be submitted and received on or before **Thursday May 8, 2025, at 10:00 A.M.**, Local Time. Regardless of the reason, bid(s) received after this date and time will not be accepted. One original copy of quote must be submitted in an envelope or package clearly marked with the information listed below to the address listed below:

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**2025 Diesel Crew Cab Four Door extended 4X4 with Chassis Vehicle**

*MS Department of Public Safety  
Procurement Department  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Room 402  
1900 East Woodrow Wilson Avenue  
Jackson, MS 39216*

**Quotes not received in compliance with this requirement will be rejected. Facsimile or e-mail bids will not be accepted.**

Vendors are also encouraged but not required to submit one electronic copy through the Mississippi's Accountability System for Government Information and Collaboration at <https://portal.magic.ms.gov/irj/portal> which must include all information requested in this invitation. No costs or expenses associated with providing this information in the required format shall be charged to the MS Department of Public Safety. All required documents must be submitted. It is the responsibility of the vendor to verify that all the requirements for submitting the bid have been fulfilled. Bids not received in compliance with this requirement will be rejected.

Online learning instructions on how to submit your quote electronically, can be found at [www.dfa.ms.gov/suppliers-training](http://www.dfa.ms.gov/suppliers-training)

If you are having problems submitting your quote electronically, please contact the MAGIC Support Center at 601-359-1343 or email at [mash@dfa.state.ms.us](mailto:mash@dfa.state.ms.us).

If you have any questions regarding this invitation, please contact Britney Wesley at (601) 987-1407 or Sonya Williams by phone at (601) 987-1467. You may email Britney Wesley at [bwesley@dps.ms.gov](mailto:bwesley@dps.ms.gov) or Sonya Williams at [swilliams@dps.ms.gov](mailto:swilliams@dps.ms.gov). The MS Department of Public Safety (MDPS) reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to waive all informalities.

If using a commercial delivery company, which requires that you use their shipping package, your quote should be sealed separately and labeled as

stated above within the commercial packaging to prevent premature opening. Parties submitting a quote assume all risks of delivery. Facsimile or e-mail quotes will not be accepted.

**Bidder**

**Responsibility:**

Bidders must, upon request of the MS Department of Public Safety, (MDPS), provide satisfactory evidence of ability to furnish products or services in accordance with the terms and conditions of the specifications. The MS Department of Public Safety reserves the right to make the final determination as to the bidder's ability.

**Invitation to Bid:**

All information requested on the Invitation Form must be completed.

**Quantity:**

The purchase of (2) two 2025 Diesel Crew Cab four door extended 4x4 with chassis. Please note that MDPS does not guarantee that the agency will purchase any specific quantity.

**Confidential Information:**

Confidential information shall mean all materials, documents, and data furnished to the successful bidder. The successful bidder shall provide to the MS Department of Public Safety a letter that the successful bidder agrees to protect all confidential information. Any liability resulting from the wrongful disclosure of confidential information on the part of the successful bidder shall rest with the successful bidder.

**Prequalification of Suppliers**

*Vendor should include specifications, literature, samples, etc. with their quotes. Upon completion of the quote evaluation process, the MS Department of Public Safety will email the vendor or vendors who have submitted quotes and meet all requirements outlined in the RFQF to participate in the Reverse Auction process.*

**Award Criteria:**

The award will be made via the reverse auction process to the best bid or bids. Factors to be considered in determining the best bid include.

- Bottom Line Figure
- Conformity with specifications
- Responsibility of the bidder

**Notes:**

It is the intent of the MS Department of Public Safety to obtain a product that will adequately meet the needs of the agency while promoting the greatest extent of completion that is practicable. It is the responsibility of the prospective bidder to review the entire Invitation packet and to notify the Procurement Department of the MS Department of Public Safety if the Instructions and Special Conditions, or the General Conditions are formulated in a manner which would unnecessarily restrict competition. Any protest or questions concerning the specifications or bidding procedures must be received in writing in the MS Department of Public

Safety, Procurement Office, not less than 72 hours prior to the time and date set for the bid opening.

**Reverse Auction:** All qualified bidders are required to participate in the reverse auction process. Bidders must ensure technical requirements are met.

Acceptable Internet Browser(s)

- Microsoft Internet Explorer (IE) version 11
- Firefox versions 51 or lower
- Google Chrome versions 49 and above (will need to download and install a Chrome Extension called “IE Tab Extension”)

Unsupported Internet Browser(s)

- Microsoft Internet Explorer (IE) version 10 or below
- Microsoft Edge
- Google Chrome
- Safari
- Firefox version 52 and above

Note: Pop-up blocker must be turned off

**Participation in**

**Person by Supplier:** If a supplier needs assistance to participate in the Auction in person, they must indicate in their response to the initial RFQF so that the Procurement Department can have adequate personnel at the event to perform surrogate bidding. Suppliers participating in person must submit each bid during the Auction in writing, signed by someone authorized to bind the Supplier to the bid

Invitation for Bid Issue Date:	April 16, 2025
First Publication	April 16, 2025
Second Publication	April 23, 2025
Bidder submission deadline	May 8, 2025
Opening Date and Time	Thursday May 8, 2025, at 10:00 A.M.
Qualify Bids	No later than May 15, 2025
Email Qualified Bidders	No later than May 22, 2025
Reverse Auction	May 29, 2025, between 10:00 A.M and 10:20 AM
Bids Evaluations	June 3, 2025
Anticipated Intent to Award	June 3, 2025

Submission date to obtain approval in MAGIC (If cost goes over \$500,000 then approval is required by Public Procurement Review Board – PPRB. The PPRB meeting is estimated to be held on July 2, 2025)	
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**Delivery of Vehicles:**

F.O.B. destination freight prepaid by successful bidder to the Mississippi Department of Public Safety, 1900 East Woodrow Wilson Avenue, Jackson, MS 39216 during normal business days, between the hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. central time, except all observed state holidays. If the delivery date falls on a holiday or weekend, delivery will be made on the following business day.

**2025 Diesel Crew Cab Four door extended 4x4 with chassis vehicle must be delivered before or no later than 90-120 working days from date of order.**

# **BID SPECIFICATIONS**

## **MS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

### **2025 Four Door extended 4X4 with Chassis for Department of Public Safety**

#### **1. SCOPE**

This specification describes the minimum requirements for 2025 four door extended 4X4 Vehicle needed by law enforcement and agents with the Department of Public Safety.

#### **2. SPECIFICATION**

##### **CHASSIS**

- 2025 diesel crew cab 4 door 4x4
- Bidder to supply chassis.
- Diesel Chassis is to be 84"CA with steel wheels and Sync 3 system.
- Includes 4:88 gear and 19,500lb GVW package.
- Chassis to be painted Air Force Blue or similar.
- Chassis ordered with steel wheels.
- Remove the OEM seats from the rear of the extended cab installing storage cabinet with pullout tray from either side allowing the OEM installed front seats to be able to have unrestricted recline. Cover storage box with Black LINE-X or equivalent.
- Install a Kelderman Alpha Series Commander grille guard or equivalent. To include an integral, warn winch or equivalent capable of recovery of the vehicle gross weight. Guard is to be sprayed with black Linex material or equivalent.
- Install tow hooks beneath bumper, one per side.
- The chassis side windows are to be tinted to 5%.
- Install of crawl through door from chassis to patient care compartment.
- Type 1 chassis to be modified for crawl through access to the patient area. Clear door closure to provide clear visualization and near air-tight seal separating the driver from the patient care compartment.
- **Valve extensions, steel wheels**  
Install stainless steel braided filler extensions on the rear tires. Fasten to the center wheel hub with stainless steel brackets.
- **Standard cab height**  
The standard cab height for the specified chassis.
- **Mud flaps, rear, large without logo**  
Install individual rear mud flaps behind each set of rear wheels. Mud flaps must be plain without logo.
- **Reinforce rear bumper end caps**  
Reinforce end caps of rear bumper for greater impact resistance.

- **Running boards, star punched**  
Install ALD running boards with star punch for 2 door cab.
- **Rear Bumper**
- **Liquid spring suspension**  
Install a liquid spring hydraulic rear suspension. Wire system to dump when the left rear entry door is opened. Install manual controls in the cab near the driver.
- **Front stabilizer bar**  
Remove the OEM front stabilizer bar and install Roadmaster brand aftermarket stabilizer bar or equivalent.
- **Receiver/dryer kit**  
Install standard receiver/dryer kit w/pressure switch in the air conditioning system.
- Install Odyssey batteries or equivalent (2) with 2-0-gauge cables in the OEM locations.
- Install an etched placard in the cab, clearly visible to the driver, showing the overall height of the vehicle in feet and inches.
- Install etched placards, one over each wheel housing, denoting maximum air pressure for each tire.

## **BODY**

- Body to be custom based on a type 1 ambulance design.
- Rear doors are standard size with rear windows that provide one-way tint.
- Expected length is 144" ILOS – All compartments are custom as per below specifications.
- **Headroom, 66"**  
The headroom is to be 66"
- **Double step curbside entry, 6" drop skirt**  
Fabricate curbside of body with 6" drop skirt. Note there is no curbside entrance to this vehicle as typical in type 1 bodies.
- **Streetside 6" drop skirt**
- **Roof pocket, auxiliary condenser**  
Install a roof pocket for a CoolTech III unit or similar-supplied by vendor
- **Second HVAC unit**  
Second HVAC roof mounted unit on front of body that will provide additional cooling and heating off generator or truck power to the body-supplied by vendor
- **Grab rails**  
Install (4) National Fire Protection Association style grab rails, (1) to either side of the rear doors and (2) on the roof (1) above the rear doors 2.5" in from the edge of the roof sheet and (1) along the edge of the SS roof 2.5" in from edges. Provide reinforcement in the roof for that location. The handles are to be black with rubberized inserts. Install (3) black fold-down steps up on the rear face of the body to the left of the rear doors. Steps to be Eberhard #16777-PK or equivalent with black Line-X coating or equivalent. Note location of door window when locating. Install a rubber strip on the door where it would contact the step if opened while the step was flipped down.

- **Privacy window for rear entry doors**  
Two (2) privacy windows shall be installed in the rear entry doors. These should be completely transparent from the inside out but unable to see from the outside to the patient care compartment. Standard size for type I ambulances.
- **Emergency release, rear doors**  
Install standard emergency release knobs on top and bottom of the rear module entrance doors.
- **Door handles**  
Install standard door handles for the rear doors
- **Body mounts**  
Standard mounts installed to ensure maximal compartment height and comfortable ride with maximally reduced vibration from the chassis to the body.
- **Stainless steel splash shields**  
Install brushed stainless splash shields on the lower front face of the body just behind the cab access doors. These splash shields are to be the same height as the diamond plate front corner guards.
- **Fenders, stainless, standard, CS 6" drop skirt**  
Install a stainless-steel fender, for use in conjunction with a 6" drop skirt, at the curbside rear wheel well location.
- **Fenders, stainless, standard, SS 6" drop skirt**  
Install a stainless-steel fender, for use in conjunction with a 6" drop skirt, at the streetside rear wheel well location.
- **PVC (plastic) rubrails**  
Install (DC style) 1" x 2" black PVC rubrails, (4) total. Rubrails to be spaced away from body using rubber bushings. The through bolted design will be extended through the lower body rail and have a locking nut on the back side.
- **Standard corner guards**  
Install standard height polished diamond plate corner guards.
- **Rear door hold opens, grabber**  
Install chrome Cast Products or equivalent "Grabber" style rear door hold opens. (Note: Hold opens must be relocated if telescopic lights are ordered)
- **Rear riser ADP**  
The rear riser is to be fabricated out of polished aluminum diamond plate.
- **License plate bracket, curbside of body**  
Install a recessed rear license plate bracket with integral reverse lights in the curbside of the rear body. Include an LED license plate light.
- All exterior chrome pieces are to be black including chassis grille and other original manufacture equipment components. All other body items with bright finish are to be covered in black Line-X or equivalent.
- Delete the curbside access door and all components.
- Provide and install one (1) set of Ziamatic #AC-1 wheels chocks with QCH-1 horizontal holders or similar. Install below the outboard edge of the body on the streetside to the rear of the rear tires.
- Install four (4) telescoping lights with flood and spot illumination to the corners of the body.



- Provide manual awning on the curbside and street side with privacy screen. Awnings should be the length of the body and allow for opening of all compartments.

## COMPARTMENTATION

**Streetside Forward, (extrication compartment)** flat aluminum, Line-X or equivalent

- Install a custom double door streetside forward compartment. Compartment to be approximately 53"W x 72"H x 24"D. The compartment and inner door panel are to be flat aluminum and covered with black Line-X material or equivalent.
- Install a stainless-steel plate and cover with black Line-X material or equivalent.
- Compartment to include a slide-out tray in the lower portion and a slide out tool board on the upper right-hand wall for Zico ULLH-EZ0 Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) bracket or equivalent. Brackets are specified separately.
- Install electrical equipment on the left side ceiling on a removeable hat section and cover with an expanded metal guard. Provide a sweep-out style floor. Equipment will be mounted to the forward compartment door inner panel.
- Install reinforcement on the door panel of the street side front compartment door. This should be 3/16". This door, with equipment installed, must open far enough to allow the specified drawer to be pulled out without interference. Layout is to match previous.
- Install slide out tray to include mounts for S 378 E3 Connect cutter and SP 333 E3 Connect spreader or equivalent battery-operated cutter and spreader.
- Include battery charging station with electrical connection.
- Cutter and spreader are to be provided by bidder and installed.

Equipment is to be installed as follows:

- Install the fabricated pocket for (2) Victim Recovery Units pouches on left wall. Provide small strap to secure pouches.
- Install bolt cutter mount on rear wall.
- Move K sticker panel down to below the vehicle data placard on outboard edge of the door and put it on an aluminum plate. Make it the size of the sticker.
- Mount irons on the right side of the left door in a fabricated bracket.
- Modify the SCBA bracket on the slide out tool board so that they can mount the packs upside down.
- On the vehicle information card located in the number one compartment include the center of gravity with a drawing showing it.

**Streetside Intermediate, (DECON)** Flat aluminum, Line-X or equivalent.

- Install a double door streetside intermediate compartment above the wheel well.
- Compartment is to be approximately 49"W x 47"H x 24"D or accommodate the interior CPR seat design. Note that the bottom of the compartment should extend to the wheelhouse to gain additional space.
- Compartment and inner door panel are to be flat aluminum and sprayed with black Line-X material or equivalent.

- Install a stainless-steel plate and cover with black Line-X material or equivalent.
- Install a slide out tray on the floor of the compartment.
- Provide an inside/outside access in the upper portion and include sliding polycarbonate doors. Install a fixed shelf at the I/O opening. Provide a sweep-out style floor.

Equipment to be installed as follows:

- Fabricate a box for extra hose.
- Mount to the right side of the bottom of the shelf.

**Streetside Rear**, flat aluminum, (generator) Line-X or equivalent

- Install a single door streetside rear compartment.
- Compartment and inner door panel are to be flat aluminum and covered with black Line-X material or equivalent.
- Install a stainless-steel plate covered in black Line-X material or equivalent.
- The compartment is to be approximately 34"W x 25.5"H x 24"D.
- Install a louvered panel in the compartment door.
- Provide a sweep-out style floor.
- Vendor supplied K12 Fire Rescue Saw - 14" Husqvarna K970 or similar with additional diamond blade attachment on the compartment door.
- Install vendor supplied generator operating off vehicle fuel tank capable of supporting HVAC, lighting, and medical equipment for the vehicle along with 50' reel extension cord.

**Curbside Rear**, (medical) flat aluminum, Line-X or equivalent

- Install a single door curbside rear compartment.
- The compartment and inner door panel are to be flat aluminum covered with black Line-X material or equivalent.
- Install a stainless-steel plate and cover with black Line-X material or equivalent.
- The compartment is to be approximately 34"W x 66"H x 24"D.
- Install a slide-out tray in the lower section.
- Adjustable shelving mounts in the upper section for medical supplies/bags.
- Storage for NATO Stokes Basket, Stokes Basket (NATO) Litter, Medevac II, 1-Piece or similar provided by vendor.
- Storage for full size scoop stretcher – Combi carrier II or similar supplied by vendor.
- The Stokes Basket and scoop stretcher are supplied by the vendor and installed vertically in this cabinet.

**Curbside intermediate**, (extraction) flat aluminum, Line-X or equivalent.

- Install a double door curbside intermediate compartment above the wheelwell.
- Compartment is to be approximately 49"W x 47"H x 12"D.  
Note that the bottom of the compartment should extend to the wheelhouse to gain additional space.
- The compartment and inner door panel are to be flat aluminum and sprayed with black Line-X material or equivalent.
- Install a stainless-steel plate and cover with black Line-X material or equivalent.

- Provide an inside/outside access in the upper portion per drawing.
- Install a fixed shelf at the inside/outside opening.
- Install a flip-up polycarb door for access.
- Provide a sweep-out style floor.

The following items are to be provided and installed as follows:

- Mount the extinguisher bracket on the back wall, left side.
- Add a cargo net to the upper shelf, outboard (compartment door) side with 4 straps/buckles.
- Install Mount for SKED® or similar on right wall-OD Green vendor supplied sweep out the floor.

**Curbside Forward**, flat aluminum, Line-X or equivalent

- Install a custom double door curbside forward compartment.
- Compartment to be approximately 53"W x 72"H x 24"D.
- Compartment and inner door panel are to be flat aluminum and covered with black Line-X material or equivalent.
- Install a stainless-steel plate and cover with black Line-X material or equivalent.
- Compartment to include a slide-out tray in the lower portion and a slide-out tool board on the upper right-hand wall for (1) Zico SCBA bracket or equivalent. Brackets are specified elsewhere.
- Provide a sweep-out style floor.

Additional configuration details:

- Mount the SCBA on the back wall, left side.
- Install the Denver tool or equivalent and mount on the left side near SCBA (tool provided and installed by vendor)
- Mount the spare bottle horizontally at the top with regulator facing rear.
- Black Mateflex is to be installed on the floor and shelving of all exterior compartments.
- To include tapered edge trim pieces where applicable.
- Install blue Whelen dome lights or equivalent in the ceiling of each compartment. These lights are to activate when the compartment is opened allowing to switch LED to “RED” for night operations.

**Compartment Venting**

- Tie all compartments together for venting of air.
- Do not vent to the outside. Streetside rear compartment is the only exception (generator) compartment is the only exception and isolated from all other compartment and the vehicle interior.

**Water Tank**, Streetside Intermediate

- Install a 30-gallon water tank on the upper shelf of the streetside intermediate compartment.
- Tank is to be accessible from outside the vehicle and inside behind the in/out cabinet doors.

- Install a 2.5gpm pump to include a rocker type switch accessible from inside and outside the vehicle for operation.
- The tank should come equipped with a thermostat-controlled heating capability powered via 110/12V to keep the water from freezing.
- An additional in-line heater is to be installed to further heat the water as it's being dispensed.
- Provide a water fill with .75" garden hose fitting on the outside of the vehicle with a filler cap. Label "Water Fill".
- Provide a water level gauge on the exterior of the vehicle.
- Install a drain that runs underneath the body.
- Recommended the fill be at a lower area of the truck to provide better connections. Engineering to determine best location for all components.
- Plumb to one hose reel, hose reel is to have 25' of 3/8" hose with pistol grip. Locate next to tank. Locate on the interior main wall side.
- Hose reel is to be Hannay or equivalent.

## **PAINT AND GRAPHICS**

### **Module Pain OEM White**

- Apply (5) strips of gray or white Line-X or equivalent to the roof, 6" wide with 1" of paint in between. Strips are to run side to side the full width of the body starting at the rear roof inside the roof corner post.
- Paint chassis body color

### **Interior Features**

- Polycarbonate color: light tint. All polycarbonate doors to be 'light tint'.
- Stainless steel counter tops, near workstation. Fabricate and install stainless steel pan formed countertops in the patient area.
- Silver metallic CG tech interior color: The patient area walls, inner door panels and inhalation panel (Excluding the main cabinet wall and associated areas such as the action area, CPR seat and telemetry area when equipped) are to be finished with Silver Metallic CG Tech material. Requires stainless risers and lower door panels.

### **Crew area floor**

- The crew area floor is to be .125" bright finish embossed diamondplate.
- The forward edge is angled to a height of 3" to act as a fluid dam. The edge is to be covered with trimlock.
- Provide a drain in the forward center and rearward center of the floor.
- Install a #10005575 bell trap and a #10005576 plug.
- Drains to be recessed with no lips.
- Provide covers so that the cot wheels do not get caught in the drains.

### **Stainless Steel Risers**

- Install stainless steel on the interior risers. If a cabinet riser accent stripe is ordered the stainless steel will stop at the bottom edge of the stripe.

### **Stainless Steel Lower Door Panels**

- Finish lower section of inside patient compartment doors with stainless steel.

### **Interior Cabinetry**

- All interior cabinetry is to be painted white.
- The specified cabinet paint is to have a smooth finish.

### **Vacuum-Formed Vinyl Upholstery Seating, backrests, vinyl closeouts**

- All seat cushions, backrests and vinyl closeouts are to be covered in Cobalt Blue colored material.
- All seat cushions including head and back cushions are to be vacuumformed style with .5" overhang. All closeouts are to be covered with matching material and installed per standard.
- Head, backrest and HOPS cushions are to be made and attached per standard.
- Bucket seats to be specified separately.

### **Standard Fixed Seatbase, 4" extension**

- Install the standard aluminum fixed seat base for the attendant's seat specified. Extend the top plate 4" and install the seat 4" inboard from standard.

### **Vacuum-Formed High Back Bucket Seat**

- Install a cobalt blue vacuum-formed high back bucket seat with black 4-point seatbelt with safety vest. The seat to be adjustable front to rear and is to be mounted at the head of the cot.

### **Aluminum Interior Cabinets**

- All interior cabinets are to be fabricated from aluminum.

### **IV Hanger, with rubber arm cot**

- (Stretcher) HEAD Waist of cot offset toward the cabinet wall
- Install a Cast Products recessed IV hanger with rubber arm over the cot head area and another over bench seat

### **Grab Rail: 8ft anti-microbial, over cot**

- Approximate centerline of cot.
- Install a standard style 8' main grab rail with anti-microbial coating. Locate offset toward the main wall over the cot position in the patient area ceiling
- Install straight anti-microbial grab rails on each rear door interior panel.

### **Ceiling Material, platinum white composite**

- The standard module ceiling material shall be platinum white aluminum composite.

## **STREETSIDE CABINERY**

### **Streetside Wall with smaller CPR seat**

- Street side cabinet wall does include CPR seat as a bench seat without restraints to be used to access the right chest/side of the patient.
- Install Standard L Track (or similar) to the walls.
- Install a smaller action station with included oxygen, suction, radio mounts.
- Overall cabinet configuration is to match customer requirements as closely as possible given the space available.

### **Front Wall Cabinetry**

- Install a pocket/sliding crawl through door that slides behind the cabinet on the streetside.
- Door is to be made as airtight as possible.

### **Cot Mount**

- Ferno 28-A1 Nato or equivalent with mounting system that can be removed with hands/simple tools.
- No electric loading system.
- The system should be supplied by the vendor and installed as per engineering team and customer specification during design.

### **Visual Warning (Whelen or equivalent)**

- Install a Whelen Liberty II TRIO1 #I321 lightbar or equivalent on the cab roof.
- Install (8) Whelen M9 Series LED split red/blue lights with black flanges (1) or equivalent in each upper corner of the body. Lenses are to be clear. Install blue outboard.
- Install a Whelen Dominator lightbar or equivalent in the top opening of the grille guard. Configure RRRRBBBB (left to right). Activate with emergency lighting or stand-alone.

## **AUDIBLE WARNING**

- Siren: Install a Whelen HFS295C9 Speaker 1- Wail, Yelp, Pierce. Speaker 2- Wail, Yelp, Pierce or equivalent in the front console.
- Siren: Install a Federal Rumbler, F Series low frequency siren or equivalent.
- Speakers: Install Federal Dynamax siren speakers (2) or equivalent, in the chassis bumper and wire to the primary siren.

## **NON-EMERGENCY LIGHTING**

### **LED Side Marker Lights**

- Install Whelen M6 Series LED side marker lights or equivalent with clear lenses and black flanges.

### **LED Exterior Compartment Lighting**

- Install full height LED strip lighting in all exterior compartments with the exception of any wheel well or equivalent.
- Install vertical strips inside both sides of each compartment.

- The lights are to be directed toward the back of each compartment.

### **Rolled ICC Marker Lights**

- Install standard rolled marker lights along the upper corner post front and rear.
- Do not install in cases where there are already ICC marker lights installed on a specified lightbar.
- Install a Rigid SR Series Pro LED lightbar or equivalent in the lower opening of the grille guard. Lightbar is to consist of white LED spot/flood combination and is to activate both with the other scene lights and through an independent switch in the main panel.
- Install a Rigid E Series 50" white LED flood/spot lightbar or equivalent on the front face of the body using a Horton engineered bracket to mount to the roof round. Wire to activate both with the other scene lights and through an independent switch in the main panel. All lighting is to include black flanges/brackets.
- Install (4) Rigid D Series LED spotlights or equivalent in surface mount brackets, (2) per side, facing down at a 45-degree angle. Wire with 50" bar noted above. All lighting is to include black flanges/brackets.
- Install (4) Rigid E Series 10" recessed or equivalent, (2) per side and program to operate as floodlights. All lighting is to include black flanges/brackets.
- Install (2) Rigid E Series 6" recessed lights or equivalent on the rear of the body and program to operate as load lights. All lighting is to include black flanges/brackets.
- Install (6) Whelen M7 Series scene lights or equivalent, (2) per side and (2) rear. All lighting is to include black flanges/brackets.
- Install Whelen M6 Series LED brake/tail, turn and reverse lights or equivalent. Install vertically on the rear face of the body. Lights are to include black flanges.
- Install LED ground lighting (9) and program to remain on for 15 seconds after the door is closed. Lights to also be controlled from the switch panels. Locate under each cab step, at each corner of the body and under the rear doors.

## **ELECTRICAL**

### **Electric Door Locks Compartment Exterior**

- Install power activated door locks on all exterior compartment doors. Locks to be activated by a switch at each patient area access door. Locks may be overridden by a door key.

### **Electric Door Locks Access Doors Interior**

- Install power activated door locks on all patient area access doors. Locks to be activated by a switch at each patient area door. Locks may be overridden by a manual slide lever or by the door key.

### **Electric Door Locks Wired to OEM Switches**

- The electric door locks are to be wired to the chassis OEM door lock switches.
- The electric door locks must be concealed under rear step. Install a concealed switch under the rear step to operate the power door lock circuit. Doors shall be wired to unlock only on this circuit.

- Install a Trimark touchpad or equivalent for electronic locks near the driver's door.

#### **I4G+ Electrical System or similar**

- Install a rocker switch to activate/deactivate emergency lighting in addition to normal mode of operation.
- All other functionality is to remain as per standard.

#### **Inpower Battery Switch or equivalent, with wake button 10 minutes**

- Install an electronic battery switch with wake button 10 minutes. Switch is to activate battery power through the vehicle ignition and is to include an automatic shutdown timer to deactivate battery power after the ignition is turned off.
- To include a wake button installed on the front console to activate the electrical system without using the key.

#### **Inverter Charger**

- Install a Vanner 2600W inverter with integral 50A battery charger or equivalent.
- Locate in the upper streetside forward compartment electrical storage area and cover with an expanded metal guard.
- Wire inverter to operate from a switch in the front and rear control panels.

#### **110V Interior Outlet**

- Rear cab bulkhead wall above rear curbside seat. (1)
- (1) each tall exterior compartment on back wall. (3 total)
- Add (1) to control rear compartment back wall lower left side.
- (1) each side of middle cabinet, upper right corner. (2 total)
- (2) front bulkhead wall
- (4) Shelving area in driver rear interior compartment
- (1) Streetside riser near cot

#### **Interior 12VDC Outlets**

- CI Type/USB (4) in front console per drawing.
- Install a 12VDC cigarette style/USB outlet(s) as noted.
- Wire battery hot.

#### **Generator**

- Install generator to power the body independent of the vehicle in the streetside rear compartment with ability to start from the body interior, generator and cab.

#### **12V Outlets**

- Install (2) cigarette style 12V outlets, (1) in each of the intermediate compartments 12" above floor.
- Install (2) high voltage 12V 2/0 cable to the front bumper and install customer-supplied plugs.



### **120V Exterior Outlets**

- Install (7) exterior 120V outlets with black covers as follows:
  - (1) in each compartment except the generator compartment.
  - (1) left hand side of rear riser with black cover.
  - (1) right hand front face of body with black cover.Each outlet is to be twist lock style and is to include an etched placard denoting voltage, type of current and amperage rating.

### **Shoreline Inlets**

- Locate the shoreline inlets in the rear body on the streetside.
- Provide (2) 16" pigtails for the shorelines and ship loose. Ship (2) extra mating connectors with delivery of vehicle.

Shoreline 1 – Mount a black Kussmaul Super Auto Eject 20-amp shoreline inlet or equivalent in the standard location. Cover is to be black.

Shoreline 2 – Mount a secondary black Kussmaul Super Auto Eject 20-amp shoreline inlet or equivalent in the standard location. Cover is to be black.

Shoreline 3 – Mount a third black Kussmaul Super Auto Eject 20-amp shoreline inlet or equivalent in the standard location. Cover is to be black.

- Wire one shoreline to the battery charger, one to the cab 110V AC, and one to the 110V outlets.

### **Power Distribution (PD) Box, front console**

- Install the power distribution box inside the front console.

### **Engine Block Heater**

- Wire engine block heater to shoreline. Make provisions to disable engine block heater when desired.

### **Compressor**

- Install a Viair 480C 12V compressor or equivalent with 10-gallon tank in the streetside rear compartment.
- Install a quick release air hose connector in the top right outer edge of compartment.

### **LED Light Fixture, above chest in ceiling**

- A ROM Durolumen light fixture or equivalent shall be provided and installed as noted above.
- Fixture is to be operable from the rear switch panel as well as through other means as noted within this document.

### **LED Light Fixture, above knee in ceiling**

- A ROM Durolumen light fixture or equivalent shall be provided and installed as noted above.

- Fixture is to be operable from the rear switch panel as well as through other means as noted within this document.

### **LED Dome Lights**

- Install six (6) Whelen LED dome lights or equivalent in the patient area ceiling per drawings. Color to be able to be switched to RED
- Install (2) blue Signal Stat dome lights or equivalent in the centerline of the cab headliner.

### **LED Light Strips**

- Install LED light strips in the cab to illuminate the floorboards front and rear. Install (1) under the dash on each side and (1) under each front seat to illuminate the floor in the crew cab.
- Lights to be operated through the front control panel.
- Color is to be blue.

### **Tactical Lighting, blue**

- Install blue tactical style LED lighting along the left and right sides of the patient area ceiling and program to a dedicated switch in the rear control panel.
- The specified blue tactical LED lighting is to activate at 30% intensity with the opening of the rear doors. Intensity can be overridden at the front or rear switch panels.
- All white dome lights are to operate only from the front and rear control panels.

### **3 Switch Control Panel**

- Install an i4G 3-switch control panel or equivalent on the right rear entry door panel.
- Switch, Fluorescent/LED: Install an electronic momentary switch in the specified i4G style switch panel on the right rear entry door panel. The switch will activate the specified fluorescent/LED check-out lights with the battery switch in the 'off' position. A second depression of the switch will deactivate the specified lights.
- Dump Override, i4G: Install the dump override switch in the panel selected for the right rear entry door inner panel.

### **Reverse Alarm**

- Install the standard reverse alarm. Program to manual activation only.

### **360 Camera System, painted**

- Install a 360 Degree camera system with painted covers and integral lighting.
- The lighting is to have the ability to function in emergency response mode.
- The display will function in conjunction with the turn signals and when the vehicle is in reverse gear.
- Install rear housing if space is available. If space is unavailable, then install camera only.
- The integrated camera system noted is to include a camera installed over the rear doors on the vehicle interior for use as a patient compartment monitor

### **Cooling System**

- Install a Cool-Tech III or equivalent 4-fan 100,000 BTU condenser with additional 40,000 BTU single fan condenser for the selected 110V A/C unit.
- Install in the recessed pocket in the roof of the body.

### **12V HVAC, attendant's seat**

- Install a pre-charged 12V heat/AC system with brushless motor below the attendant seat.

### **110 HVAC, chassis cab**

- Install a 110V HVAC to the cab and wire to specified dedicated shoreline.
- Locate underbody components mid-ship to avoid interference with the tie-down chains.

### **Rooftop cooling system, additional**

- Install additional rooftop air conditioner (low profile) to provide air conditioning from generator for prolonged scene operations.
- BTU to be determined by engineering to provide temperature reduction in hot and humid conditions.

### **RADIO, supplied by DPS**

- Installed antenna for Motorola APX radio on roof (2)
- Install cradle point or similar router with two SIM card capability
- Provide console in the cab to mount siren system and two Motorola APX radios and additional head radio mount in the compartment. Provide wiring for the remote head and speaker in the body.

**MS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

**2025 Diesel Crew Cab Four Door extended 4X4 with Chassis Vehicle**

**Bid File No:** 3140003960  
**Commodity or Equipment** **Bid Opening Time:** 10:00 a.m.

**May 8, 2025**  
**Bid Opening Date**

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*Bidders must mail one original copy to MDPS and are encouraged but not required to submit one electronic copy in MAGIC.*

*BID FORM (Part 1)*

<u>Description</u>	<u>Price/Each</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Total</u>
2025 Four Door extended 4X4 chassis	\$ _____	2	\$ _____
Grand Total			\$ _____

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Bidder Information (Please complete ALL Sections Below)  
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**Company Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Company Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Telephone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Company Representative Name (Print):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Company Representative Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Authorized Company Representative Signature)

## GENERAL CONDITIONS – REVERSE AUCTIONS

**ALL BIDS SUBMITTED SHALL BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL CONDITIONS SET FORTH HEREIN. THE BID PROCEDURES FOLLOWED BY THIS OFFICE WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THESE CONDITIONS. THEREFORE, ALL BIDDERS ARE URGED TO READ AND UNDERSTAND THESE CONDITIONS PRIOR TO SUBMITTING A BID.**

### 1.DEFINITIONS

The use of the word “agency” in any Bid Invitation solicitation or specification shall be intended to mean state agencies only.

### 2.PREPARATION OF BIDS

- 2.1 Bids and/or Quotes may be submitted through the State of Mississippi’s e-procurement system (MAGIC) or in person to the Mississippi Department of Public Safety “MDPS”. Paper bids are allowed. All prices and notations must be printed in ink or typewritten. No erasures permitted. Errors may be crossed out and corrections printed in ink or typewritten adjacent and must be initialed, in ink, by the person signing bid.
- 2.2 To submit bids electronically, bidders must ensure they are registered in the MAGIC system and have received a login, password, and supplier number and that all technical requirements have been met.
- 2.3 If a bidder is unwilling or unable to participate through MAGIC, an MDPS representative can enter the Vendor’s bid(s) manually (i.e., Surrogate bidding).
- 2.4 Bidders participating in person by surrogate bidding must so indicate in their response to the initial Request for Quote-Formal (RFQF).
- 2.5 Failure to examine any drawings, specifications, and instructions will be at bidder's risk.
- 2.6 Price each item separately. Unit prices shall be shown. Bid prices must be net.
- 2.7 It is understood that reference to available specifications shall be sufficient to make the terms of such specifications binding on the bidder.
- 2.8 Bidders must furnish all information requested in the bid specifications. Further, when required, each bidder must submit for bid evaluation cuts, sketches, descriptive literature, and technical specifications covering the product offered. Reference to literature submitted with a previous bid or on file with MDPS will not satisfy this provision.
- 2.9 Samples of items, when requested, must be furnished free of expense, and if not destroyed in testing will, upon request, be returned at the bidder's expense. Request

for the return of samples must be made within ten (10) days following opening bids. Each individual sample must be labeled with bidder's name, manufacturer's brand name and number, State of Mississippi commodity number, bid number and item reference.

2.10 Time of performance. The number of calendar days in which delivery will be made after receipt of order shall be indicated in the bid specifications.

### **3. BID SUBMISSION**

3.1 When submitting a bid electronically, the authorized signature may be typed or be an electronic signature.

3.2 Bids and modifications or corrections received after the closing time specified will not be considered.

3.3 When submitting the response to the RFQF in MAGIC, bidder must ensure all questions have been answered within the RFQF and all proposed items in bid have a response.

3.4 Bidders submitting paper responses should submit responses to the MDPS by the response deadline.

### **4. ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS**

MDPS reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and unless otherwise specified by the bidders, to accept any items on the bid. The State reserves the right to modify or cancel in whole or in part its Invitation for Bids.

If a bidder fails to state the time within which a submitted bid will expire, it is understood and agreed that the MDPS shall have 60 days to accept.

### **5. ERROR IN BID**

If a vendor is participating in a Live Auction, the vendor can notify MDPS in the event of an erroneous bid via the chat message feature. Erroneous bids, where the mistake is apparent to MDPS, may be deleted during the live auction.

### **6. SPECIAL DISCOUNT PERIOD**

Time in connection with a special discount offered will be computed from date of delivery at destination or from the date correct invoices are received, if the latter date is later than the date of delivery. Cash discounts will not be considered in the award process.

### **7. AWARD**

7.1 Contracts and purchases will be made or entered into with the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications, except as otherwise specified in the bid specifications. Where more than one item is specified in the specifications, the State reserves the right to determine the low bidder either on the basis of the individual item(s) or on

the basis of all items included in its Invitation for Bids, or as expressly provided in the State's Invitation for Bids.

7.2 Unless the bidder specified otherwise in the bid, the State may accept any item or group of items of any kind.

7.3 A written purchase order or contract award furnished to the successful bidder within the time of acceptance specified in the Invitation for Bid results in a binding contract without further action by either party. The contract shall consist solely of these General Conditions, the Instructions and Special Conditions, the successful bidder's bid, and the written purchase order or contract award. The contract shall not be assignable in whole or in part without the written consent of the State.

## **8. INSPECTION**

Final inspection and acceptance or rejection may be made at delivery destination, but all materials and workmanship shall be subject to inspection and test at all times and places, and when practicable. During manufacture, the right is reserved to reject articles which contain defective material and workmanship.

Rejected material shall be removed by and at the expense of the contractor promptly after notification or rejection. Final inspection and acceptance or rejection of the materials or supplies shall be made as promptly as practicable, but failure to inspect and accept or reject materials or supplies shall not impose liability on the State or any subdivision thereof for such materials or supplies as are not in accordance with the specification. In the event necessity requires the use of materials or supplies not conforming to the specification, payment therefore may be made at a proper reduction in price.

## **9. TAXES**

The State is exempt from federal excise taxes and state and local sales or use taxes and bidders must quote prices which do not include such taxes. Exemption certificates will be furnished upon request. Contractors making improvements to, additions to or repair work on real property on behalf of the State are liable for any applicable sales or use tax on purchase of tangible personal property for use in connection with the contracts.

Contractors are likewise liable for any applicable use tax on tangible personal property furnished to them by the State for use in connection with their contracts.

## **10. GIFTS, REBATE, GRATUITIES**

10.1 Acceptance of gifts from bidders is prohibited. No officer or employee of the MDPS, nor any head of any state department, institution or agency, nor any employee of any state department, institution or agency charged with responsibility of initiating requisitions, shall accept or receive, directly or indirectly, from any person, firm or corporation to whom any contract for the purchase of materials, supplies, or equipment for the State of Mississippi may be awarded, by rebate, gifts, or otherwise, any money or anything of value

whatsoever, or any promise, obligation or contract for future rewards or compensation.

10.2 Bidding by state employees is prohibited. It is unlawful for any state official or employee to bid on, or sell, or offer for sale, any merchandise equipment or material, or similar commodity to the State during the tenure of his or her office or employment, or for the period prescribed by law thereafter, or to have any interest in the selling of the same to the State.

#### **11. BID INFORMATION**

Bid information and documents may be examined pursuant to the Mississippi Public Records Act of 1983, MS Code 25-61-1 et seq.

#### **12. PRECEDENCE**

Bids shall be made, and the contract shall be entered into in accordance with the General Conditions as hereinafter amended and modified. Should a conflict exist between the General Conditions and the Instructions and Special Conditions, the Instructions and Special Conditions shall take precedence.

#### **13. COMPETITION**

There are no federal or state laws that prohibit bidders from submitting a bid lower than a price or bid given to the U.S. Government. Bidders may bid lower than U.S. Government contract price without any liability as the State is exempt from the provisions of the Robinson-Patman Act and other related laws. In addition, the U.S. Government has no provisions in any of its purchasing arrangements with bidders whereby a lower price to the State must automatically be given to the U.S. Government.

#### **14. WAIVER**

MDPS reserves the right to waive any General Condition, Special Condition, or minor specification deviation when considered to be in the best interest of the State.

#### **15. CANCELLATION**

Any contract or item award may be canceled with or without cause by the State with the giving of 30 days written notice of intent to cancel. Cause for the State to cancel may include, but is not limited to, cost exceeding current market prices for comparable purchases; request for increase in prices during the period of the contract; or failure to perform to contract conditions. The Contractor will be required to honor all purchase orders that were prepared and dated prior to the date of expiration or cancellation if received by the Contractor within a period of 30 days following the date of expiration or cancellation. Cancellation by the State does not relieve the Contractor of any liability arising out of a default or nonperformance. If a contract is canceled by the State due to a contractor's request for increase in prices or failure to perform, that Contractor will be disqualified from bidding for a period of 24 months. The Contractor may cancel a



contract for cause with the giving of 30 days written notice of intent to cancel. Cause for the Contractor to cancel may include, but is not limited, to the item(s) being discontinued and/or unavailable from the manufacturer.

#### **16. SUBSTITUTIONS DURING CONTRACT**

During the term of a contract, if adequate documentation is provided that supports the claim that the contract item(s) are not available, items which meet the minimum specifications may be substituted if approved by MDPS and the substitutions are deemed to be in the best interest of the State.

#### **17. APPLICATION**

It is understood and agreed by the bidder that any contract entered into as a result of this Invitation for Bids is established for use by state agencies and all purchases made by these agencies for products included under the provisions of the contract shall be purchased from the bidder receiving the award unless exempt by special authorization from the MDPS.

Under the provisions of Section 31-7-7 Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, the prices offered herein shall be extended to the governing authorities. However, the governing authorities, by provisions of Section 31-7-12 Mississippi Code, may purchase products covered by state contracts from any source offering an identical product at a price that does not exceed the state contract price.

Employees of the MDPS have acted exclusively as agents of the State for the award, consummation, and administration of the contract and are not liable for any performance or nonperformance by the state agencies that utilize the contract.

#### **18. ADDENDA**

Addenda modifying plans and/or specifications may be issued if time permits. No addendum will be issued within a period of two (2) working days prior to the time and date set for the bid opening. Should it become necessary to issue an addendum within the two (2) day period prior to the bid opening, the bid date will be reset to a date not less than five (5) working days after the date of the addendum, giving bidders ample time to comply with the addendum. When replying to a bid request on which an addendum has been issued, and the specifications require acknowledgement, the bid shall indicate that provisions of the addendum have been noted and that the bid is being offered in compliance therewith. Failure to make this statement may result in the bid being rejected as not being in accordance with the revised specifications or plans.

#### **19. NONRESPONSIVE BIDS**

Nonresponsive bids will not be considered. A non-responsive bid is considered to be a bid that does not comply with the minimum provisions of the specification. Any bidder found to repeatedly offer alternated products that are not compliant with specifications in an attempt to obtain a contract on the basis of pricing only will be disqualified from

bidding for a period of 24 months.

## **20. SPECIFICATION CLARIFICATION**

It shall be incumbent upon all bidders to understand the provisions of the specifications and to obtain clarification prior to the time and date set for the live auction or bid opening. Such clarification will be answered only in response to a written request submitted in the specified amount of time set by the MDPS. The MDPS reserves the right to specify a time frame in which clarification request shall be made.

## **21. PRE-QUALIFICATION PROCESS**

- 22.1 The purpose of the RFQF is to advertise the competitive procurement for solicitation of formal quotes from potential bidders to participate in the Reverse Auction. The MDPS will be responsible for defining product categories, adding bidders, and publishing all bid related documents to the procurement portal. Once the responses have been received and the Opening Date has been reached, the MDPS will review the submissions to qualify bidders and determine a starting price for reverse auction items.
- 22.2 The Invitation for Bids/RFQF shall be advertised in accordance with Section 3.106.05.4 of the Mississippi Procurement Manual. The MDPS shall advertise for 14 consecutive days in accordance with Section 31-7-13(c) (i) (1) of the Miss. Code Ann. Responses to the RFQF will be due on the 8th working day after the last day of advertisement.
- 22.3 Responses to the RFQF will be reviewed by the MDPS for responsiveness to specifications. Price quotes received will be evaluated in conjunction with other market research to determine the starting price for the Auction.
- 22.4 The MDPS will accept bidder responses in MAGIC who have qualified meeting RFx specifications. Bidders not meeting specifications will not be allowed to participate in the Auction.
- 22.5 Once qualified, the MDPS will notify the vendor of Qualification and the date of the Live Auction via email. After receiving the confirmation email, bidders should review/ensure technical requirements for MAGIC have been met or confirm participation in person.
- 22.6 It is requested that bids be submitted on the basis of statewide distribution. Contractors must maintain adequate distribution capabilities and adequate stock of all items to insure prompt delivery.

## **23. FIRM BID PRICE**

Prices accepted from bidder submissions shall be firm for the term of the contract except that the State shall receive the benefit of any price decrease in excess of five (5) percent. The contractor must provide written price reduction information within ten (10) days of its effective date.

## **24. CONTRACT EXTENSION**

No extensions necessary.

## **25. SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT**

By submitting a bid, the bidder is certifying that neither the bidder nor any potential subcontractors are debarred or suspended or are otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in federal assistance programs.

## **26. ASSIGNMENT**

The Contractor shall not assign or subcontract in whole or in part, its right or obligations under this agreement without prior written consent of the MDPS.

## **27. INDEMINIFICATION**

Contractor shall indemnify, defend, save and hold harmless, protect, and exonerate the State of Mississippi, its Commissioners, Board Members, officers, employees, agents, and representatives from and against all claims, demands, liabilities, suits, actions, damages, losses, and costs of every kind and nature whatsoever, including, without limitation, court costs, investigative fees and expenses, and attorneys' fees, arising out of or caused by Contractor's and/or its partners, principals, agents, employees, and/or subcontractors in the performance of or failure to perform this Agreement. In the State's sole discretion, Contractor may be allowed to control the defense of any such claim, suit, etc. In the event Contractor defends said claim, suit, etc., Contractor shall use legal counsel acceptable to the State; Contractor shall be solely liable for all reasonable costs and/or expenses associated with such defense and the State shall be entitled to participate in said defense. Contractor shall not settle any claim, suit, etc., without the State's concurrence, which the State shall not unreasonably withhold.

## **28. LIVE AUCTION**

- 28.1 Notification of Auction start date and time will be sent via email to qualifying bidders. If a bidder is unwilling or unable to participate through MAGIC, a representative from the MDPS can enter the Vendor's bid(s) manually (i.e. Surrogate Bidding). If a bidder elects to participate via Surrogate Bidding, the bidder must be physically present at the public bidding location, with the means to submit written bids for each offer made and signed by an authorized agent of the Vendor. A Bid Form will be provided to the Vendor at the start of the auction. This form will not be returned to the bidder but will become a part of the Bid Documentation for Evaluation by the MDPS.
- 28.2 The Auction time may be extended at the discretion of the MDPS. Examples of reasons to extend an auction include, but are not limited to, technical difficulties experienced by the MDPS or bidder, the need to pause the Auction, or bids placed

within the last few moments of bidding.

28.3 Communication with bidders participating electronically during the Auction may be done via the Live Chat Feature. The MDPS has the ability to send messages to particular bidders or broadcast to all bidders. Bidders can ONLY communicate with the MDPS, not other bidders.

28.4 Bidders may be removed from a Live Auction for improper conduct, including but not limited to profanity, threats, consistently entering erroneous or extremely low bids, or other disruptive behavior.

## **29. FORCE MAJEURE**

If the MDPS is closed for any reason, including but not limited to: acts of God, strikes, lockouts, riots, acts of war, epidemics, governmental regulations superimposed after the fact, fire, earthquakes, floods, or other natural disasters (the “Force Majeure Events”), which closure prevents the opening of bids at the advertised date and time, all bids received shall be publicly opened and read aloud on the next business day that the agency shall be open and at the previously advertised time. The new date and time of the bid opening, as determined in accordance with this paragraph, shall not be advertised, and all bidders, upon submission of a bid proposal, shall be deemed to have knowledge of and shall have agreed to the provisions of this paragraph. Bids shall be received by the agency until the new date and time of the bid opening as set forth herein. The MDPS shall not be held responsible for the receipt of any bids for which the delivery was attempted and failed due to the closure of the MDPS as a result of a Force Majeure Event. Each bidder shall be required to ensure the delivery and receipt of its bid by the MDPS prior to the new date and time of the live auction or bid opening.