

INVITATION TO BID HEAVY EQUIPMENT

NOTICE OF BID OPENING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Association of County Commissions of Alabama, which administers the Alabama County Joint Bid Program on behalf of Alabama's county governing bodies, shall receive and open bids for the purchase of zero (0) or more items of heavy road equipment at its office located at 2 North Jackson Street, Montgomery, Alabama, at **10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 18, 2025**. Bid specifications are available at <http://www.alabamacounties.org/heavy-equipment/> for each of the following items:

Track Mount Excavators
Compact Excavators
Mini Track Excavators
Wheeled Excavators
Highway Speed Truck Excavators
Motor Graders
Wheel Loaders
Heavy Duty Dump Chassis
Lowboy Tractors
Lowboy Trailers
Half Round End Dump
Skid Steer Loader and Attachments
Ride-on Industrial Boom Mowers
Rubber Tire Roller
Vibratory Roller

One-man Pothole Patchers
Trailer Mount Mastic Patcher/Crack Sealer
Trailer Mounted Patcher – Diesel
Trailer Mounted Patcher – Air Compressor/Tools
Chip Spreader
Asphalt Distributor
Asphalt Milling Attachments
Asphalt Storage Tanks
Backhoes
Bulldozers
Dump Bodies
Road Wideners
Ride On Industrial Boom Mowers

Time is of the essence in submitting bids and only bids received in the Association office by 10:00 a.m. Central Time on Tuesday, November 18, 2025 will be opened and considered. Bidders and any other interested individuals are invited to attend the bid opening.

NOTICE OF BID OPENING PROCEDURES

All bids for Heavy Equipment will be opened and the name(s) of the bidders read aloud on the morning of the bid opening on Tuesday, November 18, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at 2 North Jackson Street, Montgomery, AL. The specifics of each bid submitted will be compiled by the Association staff thereafter and will be available, upon written or emailed request, one week after the bid opening. Requests should be emailed to jointbid@alabamacounties.org.

THE INVITATION PACKAGE

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

PREPARING AND SUBMITTING BIDS

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

Bids submitted in pencil and bids not submitted on the Bid Submittal Form will **not** be considered. All bids shall include a current catalog or model specification document for the equipment model number being offered for consideration. Bids submitted without such documentation will **not** be considered. Only information contained on the attached Bid Submittal Form and in the model specification document will be considered in evaluating bids.

Each separate requirement in the bid specification includes a block for indicating whether or not the item bid meets the specification. The bidder shall indicate compliance with each requirement by checking "Yes" or "No" in the block to the right of each bid specification. In addition, the bidder shall indicate the page number in the supplied manufacturer's equipment literature on which compliance with the specification can be verified. Failure to complete this portion of the bid form may result in the subject bid not being considered. Additionally, all bidders are required to submit a factory build/order sheet showing all of the standard and option items for each piece of equipment bid in order to assist the bid review committee in assuring that each bid is in conformance with the required bid specifications.

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

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

All bids should be mailed or hand-delivered to:

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

BID SPECIFICATIONS

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

Where applicable, each bid submission shall include the separate cost of each item listed in the "Options" section of the bid specifications. However, all bids will be awarded on the basis of the **total cost of the machine with all options included**. Therefore, the "Bid Price" stated on the Bid Submittal Form must be the total cost, including the cost of all options.

Both parties agree that the Vendor SHALL extend to ALL counties purchasing this equipment any factory discounts, incentives or rebates that become available during the Contract Period; provided that there are no alterations from the bid specifications for this item required in order to receive the discount, incentive, or rebate. FURTHER, BOTH PARTIES AGREE THAT THE VENDOR SHALL EXTEND TO ALL COUNTIES PURCHASING THIS EQUIPMENT THE SAME PURCHASE PRICE AND DISCOUNTS AS THEY ARE AWARDED ON ANY OTHER NATIONAL PURCHASING COOPERATIVE APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EXAMINERS OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS FOR USE BY ALABAMA COUNTIES.

Once the bids have been awarded, any county participant purchasing under this program may, at its discretion, deduct one or more of the options set out in the bid specifications, and in such event, the cost of the option as stated on the bid shall be deducted from the total cost of the machine. There shall be no other deductions and no additions made to the machine by the purchasing county or by the vendor.

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

BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS

All bidders and all program participants must be in compliance with any applicable federal, state, county and municipal laws, regulations, resolutions and ordinances, including but not limited to, licensing, permitting, and taxation requirements. All bidders should be prepared to submit evidence or documentation as proof that they are properly licensed and permitted under any applicable laws upon request. Such evidence or documentation may be submitted with the bid. **Additionally, all bidders shall provide proof that they are in compliance with the E-Verify requirements of Alabama's Immigration Law (Ala. Code § 31-13-1 et seq.). All bidders shall also affirm that they are in compliance with, and will comply with, Alabama's anti-boycott law (Ala. Code § 41-16-5) and anti-economic boycott law (Ala. Code § 41-16-160 et seq.).**

BID AWARD

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

The contract period will be six (6) months with an option to renew each six (6) months not to exceed a period of three (3) years under identical price, terms, and conditions upon the mutual consent of the vendor and the awarding authority. Any renewal contract shall be approved in writing by the vendor and the awarding authority no later than **60 days** prior to the expiration of the existing contract.

CONTACT REGARDING BIDS AND INVITATION

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

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

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

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

OR

**Patrick McDougald
Email: pattymackdaddy@gmail.com**

BID SUBMITTAL FORM
Alabama County Joint Bidding Program
BID ITEM – 15.5’ STEEL DUMP BODY – OPTION A (AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION)

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Bid Submitted by: _____
(Name of company representative)

Title: _____ E-mail address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

By submitting this bid, we agree: Initials

That the equipment model number identified below meets the bid specs for this bid item _____

That the bid price will be honored for all counties for the period from **January 1, 2026** to **June 30, 2026**. _____

That the equipment will be delivered at the bid price to all counties participating in the joint bid program _____

That the company representative listed above will be the contact person for purchasing this bid item under the joint bid program _____

That the bid is accompanied by a current catalog or model specification document for the model number identified below _____

That the bid is accompanied by a copy of the manufacturer's standard warranty as required in the bid specifications _____

That the bid includes the E-Verify documentation required by Alabama law _____

We comply with, and if awarded the contract, we will comply with, the requirements of Section 41-16-50 and Sections 41-16-160 to -166, Code of Alabama 1975. _____

That, if awarded the bid, a performance bond will be provided upon request _____

That an option sheet with individual pricing is attached _____

Total Bid Price including options: \$ _____

Equipment Model #: _____

Description: _____

Signature of company representative submitting bid: _____

Title: _____

OPTION COST SHEET FOR 15.5' STEEL DUMP BODY – OPTION A (AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION)

Tri Axle Option Items

Option Price

Silent Drive or equal lift axle

\$ _____

Four Steel Disc, ten-hole, hub piloted, bud style
22.5x8.25 wheels on lift axle

\$ _____

Four 11R22.5 recap tires on lift axle

\$ _____

Other Options

Option Price

High lift tail gate

\$ _____

Bed body vibrator

\$ _____

25-ton heavy duty Pintle Hitch

\$ _____

Chip Spreader bar mounted

\$ _____

NOTE: Award will be made on the basis of the total cost of the machine with all options included. However, a county may, at its discretion, deduct one or more of the above-referenced options from the machine, and in such event, the cost of the option as stated on the bid shall be deducted from the total cost of the machine. There shall be no other deductions and no additions made to the machine by the purchasing county or by the vendor.

Equipment Model #: _____

Description: _____

Signature of company representative submitting bid: _____

Title: _____

BID SPECIFICATIONS FOR 15.5' STEEL DUMP BODY OPTION B (AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION)

GENERAL

These specifications shall be construed as the minimum acceptable standards for a 15.5' Steel Dump Body. Should the manufacturer's current published data or specifications exceed these standards, the manufacturer's standards shall be considered minimum and shall be furnished. All integral parts not specifically mentioned in the scope of these specifications that are necessary to provide a complete working unit shall be furnished. Additionally, the machine offered for bid shall include all standard manufacturers' equipment. The 15.5' Steel Dump Body must be a new current production model.

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

BID SUBMITTAL FORM

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

BID PRICE

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

REPLACEMENT PARTS AVAILABILITY

Parts must be available for 5 years or 500,000 miles of use for the piece of equipment bid.

ASSEMBLY AND DELIVERY

The dump body will be purchased for use with a heavy-duty dump truck chassis (with Automatic Transmission) bid separately. The dump body company will be responsible for assembly and installation of the dump body and related optional equipment, including the cost of the same. The selling truck chassis dealer will be responsible for delivery of the chassis to the dump body company, for installation. The Dump Body Company will be responsible for delivery of the complete dump truck unit to the Truck Chassis Company following installation, and assembly of the dump body and related options onto the truck chassis. **Freight to the dump body company will be included in the truck bidder's proposal. Dump body installation, assembly and Freight costs back to the Truck Vendor will be included in the dump body bidder's proposal.**

WARRANTY

Bidders shall submit a copy of the manufacturer's standard warranty.

Yes___ No___
Page#_____
or
Attachment___

DUMP BODY

Dump body shall meet all federal and state, health and safety regulations and must conform to American National Standard Institute (A.N.S.I.) Regulations (A.N.S.I.Z145) 1975.

Yes___ No___
Page #____

Dump body supplier must have their own service and parts facility.

Yes ___ No ___
Page # _____

Dump body supplier must have a minimum of five (5) years' experience in sales, service and repair of dump bodies.

Yes ___ No ___
Page # _____

Body must be covered by product liability insurance.

Yes ___ No ___
Page # _____

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS AND DIMENSIONS

16 cubic yard capacity; elliptical dump body design with 26-inch radius beginning at body main rails; 15.5 feet long; 52-inch high sides; 54- inch high tailgate; sides, floor and tail-gate shall be 1/4 inch AR450 Steel; tailgate shall be vertical (NO SLOPE); three (3) panel tailgate design; hoist shall be class 120 hoist with a minimum three (3) active stages and minimum 52,000 pound capacity; direct mount integral pump and P.T.O. combination with air control on the P.T.O.; air tailgate latch control; tailgate Shall be built for future high lift tailgate conversion; tarp with vinyl asphalt type tarp; 36 inch cab shield; eight (8) inch wide schedule 80-pipe push bar asphalt apron across rear of body; 3.5 inch inverted angle on top of sides and top of tailgate; and Metro light kit.

Yes ___ No ___
Page # _____

OTHER OPTIONS

Bid must include the cost for each of the following options, itemized separately on the bid:

High lift tail gate with in cab controls

Yes ___ No ___
Page # _____

Electric Bed body vibrator with in cab controls

Yes ___ No ___
Page # _____

25 ton heavy duty Pintle Hitch, swivel type, spring loaded, with safety chain rings, six (6) prong trailer light socket and air brakes hookup. Mounted 26 inches from ground with truck empty.

Yes ___ No ___
Page # _____

Chip spreader bar mounted at end of frame.

Yes ___ No ___
Page # _____

NOTE: Award will be made on the basis of the total cost of the dump body with all options included. However, a county may, at its discretion, deduct one or more of the above-referenced options from the dump body, and in such event, the cost of the options as stated on the bid shall be deducted from the total cost of the dump body. There shall be no other deductions and no additions made to the dump body by the purchasing county or by the vendor.