

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed or electronic bids will be received by the Jackson County Utility Authority, Jackson County, Mississippi until **10:00 a.m.** (local time), on the **3rd day of March, 2026**. All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at **10:00 a.m.**, following the close of the Bid Period. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened. Proposals may be modified or withdrawn at any time prior to the time set for opening bids.

WHOLESALE WATER METERING CONNECTION TO GULF PARK ESTATES, OCEAN BEACH ESTATES, AND PALMETTO POINTE AREAS

Contractors have the option of submitting their bids sealed in an envelope or electronically through www.centralbidding.com. If a sealed envelope bid is submitted by mail, the address of the Jackson County Utility Authority office, is 1225 Jackson Avenue, Pascagoula, MS 39567 and may be delivered by mail or hand delivered until **10:00 a.m., March 3, 2026**.

Sealed bid envelopes shall be marked **“SEALED BID FOR JACKSON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY–WHOLESALE WATER METERING CONNECTION TO GULF PARK ESTATES, OCEAN BEACH ESTATES, AND PALMETTO POINTE AREAS TO BE OPENED AT 10:00 AM, the 3rd of March, 2026”** and if any envelope is not so marked, any bid contained therein will not be considered.

All bid envelopes should contain the bidder’s name and mailing address on the face of the envelope. The bid shall also contain the bidder’s Certificate of Responsibility number on the outside of the envelope or statement that bid inside does not exceed \$50,000 failing which, said bid shall not be opened or considered. Bids must be accompanied by a satisfactory Bid Bond payable to the Jackson County Utility Authority in an amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid, duly executed by Bidder and an acceptable surety.

When submitting an electronic bid, the bid must be submitted in “pdf” format and shall contain the same information and forms as required for the paper bids. Electronic bids must be secured with a bid bond. When submitting a bid electronically, the authorized signature may be a handwritten blue ink signature or be an electronic signature. When bids are submitted electronically, the requirement for including a certificate of responsibility, or a statement that the bid enclosed does not exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), on the exterior of the bid envelope shall be deemed in compliance by including the same information as an attachment with the electronic bid submittal.

Official bid documents can be downloaded from Central Bidding at www.centralbidding.com. Electronic bids shall be submitted at www.centralbidding.com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at (225) 810-4814.

The Jackson County Utility Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids not conforming to the intent and purpose of the specifications, and to postpone the award of the Contract for a period of time which, however, shall not extend beyond 90 days from the bid opening date.