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# Limestone County Commission





February 18, 2025

# INVITATION FOR BIDS Proposal No. 2884

Notice is hereby given that the Commission of Limestone County, Alabama will receive competitive bids for **POLE HARDWARE**. Please see the attached information and specifications regarding this bid.

TAX: All applicable taxes must be included in the bid price.

You are invited to bid on the attached specifications. Any substitutes offered must be submitted in detail. The rights to reject any items or materials not of quality or under any provisions of this bid and to waive any errors or informalities in a bid are reserved.

Bids will be opened on **WEDNESDAY** the **12th** day of **MARCH 2025**, at **10:00 a.m.** and awarded by Limestone County on **MONDAY**, the **17th** day of **MARCH 2025**, at **10:00 a.m.** 

**Requirement:** Pursuant to Alabama Code 31-13-9, as a condition of the award of any contract, the business entity or employer, and any of its subcontractors, shall provide a sworn affidavit and documentation that it will not knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien; that it is enrolled in the E-Verify program; and, during the contract period, it will participate in the E-Verify program and will verify every employee that is required to be verified under applicable state and federal laws. During the performance of the contract, the business entity or employer shall participate in the E-Verify program and shall verify every employee that is required to be verified according to the applicable federal rules and regulations.

All bids must be sealed and the word "BID," name of item, proposal number, and opening date must be marked on the outside of the envelope.

COLLIN DALY, Chairman

**Limestone County Commission** 

## Limestone County Pole Hardware Bid Proposal No. 2884

#### 1.0 OVERVIEW

This Bid provides interested vendors with sufficient information to prepare and submit proposals for consideration with the intent to provide pole hardware for the Limestone County Commission ("COUNTY"). COUNTY is requesting price quotations and detailed explanations of products offered by the bidder ("contractor"). The contractor must provide all equipment quoted at the specified rates.

## 1.0.1 Definitions

In order to simplify the language throughout this request for qualification, the following definitions shall apply:

**COUNTY** – The County Commission of Limestone County, Alabama **CONTRACT** – An agreement between the County and a Contractor to furnish supplies and/or services of the commodity and/or service specified. **CONTRACTOR** – Company or firm providing supplies and/or services

## 1.0.2 Important Dates

1.0.2.5

1.0.2.1	Release Bid to Vendors February 18, 2025
1.0.2.2	<b>Deadline for Questions and Inquiries</b> March 3, 2025
1.0.2.3	Proposal Submission Deadline March 12, 2025, 10:00 a.m.
1.0.2.4	Bid Opening Date March 12, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

Award by County March 17, 2025

## 1.0.2.6 Delivery Date

Within 90 days of bid award, unless otherwise specified in writing

#### 2.0 GENERAL INFORMATION:

## 2.0.1 Limestone County point of contact:

Jonathan Yerdon, IT Director Limestone County Commission 256-216-3450 jonathan.yerdon@limestonecounty-al.gov

## 2.0.3 Questions and Requests for Clarification

All questions and requests for clarification or information must be received within 5 days of the receipt of bid. Questions and requests for clarification will be received by **E-MAIL ONLY**. Responses will be forwarded to all potential respondents and/or posted as addendum to the bid on the County website (https://limestonecounty-al.gov).

## 2.0.4 Response Copies

Respondents must submit a minimum of five (2) hard copies of the bid response to Limestone County prior to the stated bid closing date and time. E-mailed responses will not be considered.

## 2.0.5 Incurring Costs

The County is not liable for any cost incurred by the contractors for preparation of the BID or costs incurred prior to award of a contract.

## 2.0.6 Bid Respondent's Obligations

Each response to this BID must be indexed in the **exact same order** as requirements are indicated. For example, responses to the Requirements section shall be titled and numbered in exact correlation to the requirement requested. Deviations to this required response format may result in the rejection of part or all of a bid submission.

## 2.0.7 Right to Reject Bids

The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities. No bids will be received after the time set for opening bids. Any unauthorized conditions, limitations or provisions attached to the Bid, except as provided herein, will render it informal and may cause its rejection. Unbalanced bids will be subject to rejection. Any bidder may withdraw his/her bid, either personally or by telegraphic or written request, at any time prior to the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids. Telegraphic or written requests for withdrawal must be in the possession of the County prior to the closing time for receipt of bids.

## 2.0.8 Examination of Contract Documents

Prospective bidders shall examine the contract documents and before submitting a bid, shall make a written request to the County for an interpretation or correction of any ambiguity, in consistency or error therein which could be discovered by a bidder. At the bid opening each bidder shall be presumed to have read and be familiar with the contract documents.

### 2.0.9 Termination

The County may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation at any time the vendor fails to carry out the contract provisions, if in the opinion of the County, the performance of the contract is unreasonably delayed, or the vendor is in direct violation of the contract conditions. The County shall provide the vendor with notice of any conditions which violate or endanger the performance of the contract and, if after such notice the contractor fails to remedy such conditions within thirty (30) days, to the satisfaction of the County, the County may exercise their option in writing to terminate the Contract without further notice to the Contractor. Vendor agrees by its bid submission that the County's decision is final and valid.

#### 3.0 INVITATION - BID PROPOSAL

#### 3.0.1 Intention

It is the intention of this solicitation to receive bids for **POLE HARDWARE**. Bidders are encouraged to fully study this bid proposal before completing and submitting responses on or before the bid due date and time.

**NOTE:** Please return all pages of this bid document. The County reserves the right to reject all or part of the respondent's offer. The County reserves the right to contact references concerning similar cooperative program participants who can attest to the respondent's abilities to meet or exceed the County's requirements. References (names and phone numbers) must be provided with the bid response.

## 3.0.3 Purpose

Bids are being solicited to provide hardware to attach fiber optic cable to new and existing utility poles. Bidders are encouraged to fully study this bid proposal before completing and submitting responses on or before the bid due date and time.

#### 4.0 ENVIRONMENT

**4.0.1** Hardware will be installed outdoors.

## 5.0 REQUIREMENTS

#### 5.0.1 HARDWARE DESCRIPTION

Bidders are requested to provide bids for the following hardware:

Quantity	Description		
10	Fiberglass Extension Arm		
	<ul> <li>Fiberglass rod length: 18 inches</li> </ul>		
	End fitting: 2" stud		
	<ul> <li>Transverse load rating: 1500 lbs</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Vertical cantilever rating: 1200 lbs</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Longitudinal load rating: 1200 lbs</li> </ul>		
10	Triple Position Fiberglass Bracket		
	<ul> <li>Fiberglass rod length: 18 inches</li> </ul>		
	End fitting: 2" stud		
	<ul> <li>Transverse load rating: 7000 lbs</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Vertical cantilever rating: 1200 lbs</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Longitudinal load rating: 900 lbs</li> </ul>		
200	ADSS Aluminum Support		
	Cable diameter range: 0.526-0.575 inches		
	Color Code: Orange		

# 5.0.1 HARDWARE DESCRIPTION (CONTINUED)

Quantity	Description			
200	ADSS Limited Tension Deadend with Thimble Clevis & Extension			
	Link			
	Cable Diameter Range: 0.543-0.577 in			
	Length: 48 in			
	Color code: White			
75	Fiber Downlead Cushion with Wood Pole Mounting Hardwar			
	Cable Diameter Range: 0.563-0.656 in			
20	Fiber Downlead Cushion with Banding Bracket Kit			
	Cable Diameter Range: 0.563-0.656 in			
10	1-1/2" x 4-3/4" Aluminum Mounting Plate with 5/8"x11 x 2" Bolt			
1	Band			
	• Width: 3/4"			
	Material: 201 Stainless Steel			
	Thickness: 0.044"			
	Breaking Strength: 5500 lbs			
10	Clamp			
	Finish: Zinc-Plated			
	Material: Aluminum			
	<ul><li>Works with 3/4" band</li></ul>			
1	Combination Glove/Sleeve Bag w/Goggle Pocket			
	• Size: 8" x 6" x 20"			
	Material: Canvas			
	<ul> <li>Quick release snap for belt attachment &amp; snap closure</li> </ul>			
50	Fiber Optic Cable Storage Bracket Kit			
	• (2) Crossarms with Keepers			
	<ul> <li>(6) 1/2"-13 x 1-1/2" Carriage Bolts</li> </ul>			
	• (6) 1/2"-13 Nuts			
	• (6) 1/2" Lock Washers			
	• (6) 1/2" Washers			
20	12" Max Dome Mounting Bracket Kit, consisting of:			
	(2) Bolts			
	<ul> <li>1/2" – 13 x 1-1/2" long carriage bolts</li> </ul>			
	With lock washer and nut			
	(2) Davis Bond Marret Bradist			
	(2) Dome Band Mount Bracket			
	• 12" Max			
50	ADSS Aluminum Suspension			
	Cable Diameter Range: 0.526-0.575 in			
	<ul> <li>With Anchor Shackle and 5/8" Eye Nut</li> </ul>			

#### 6.0 REFERENCES

## **6.0.1** Not required

## 7.0 PRICING

## 7.0.1 Pricing

Pricing should include all applicable charges for the purchase of the hardware. Any additional charges, such as a delivery charge, should be listed as a separate line item.

## 7.0.2 Invoices

Invoices should be sent to:

Limestone County Commission Attn: Accounts Payable 310 W. Washington St. Athens, AL 35611

## 8.0 BID SUBMITTALS

## **8.0.1** Submit all bid documentation to:

Limestone County Commission 310 W. Washington Street Athens, AL 35611

All bids must be sealed and the word "BID" and name of item being bid marked on outside of envelope along with the proposal number and opening date.

## BID RESPONSE FORM

Bid pricing for each product should be independent.

Minimum Bid Package Requirements	YES	NO
Completed & Signed Bid Response/Certification Forms		
A description of the proposed product and pricing		

NAME OF FIRM:		
ADDRESS OF FIRM:		
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE*:		
NAME (TYPE OR PRINT):		
DATE:	TELEPHONE: ()	

By signing this contract, the contracting parties affirm, for the duration of the agreement, that they will not violate federal immigration law or knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien within the State of Alabama. Furthermore, a contracting party found to be in violation of this provision shall be deemed in breach of the agreement and shall be responsible for all damages resulting therefrom.

<sup>\*</sup>Signature certifies the proposed solution and services meet all requirements outlined in Sections 1 through 8 and the Vendor will comply with all specified requirements unless exceptions are noted on the following page.

# **EXCEPTIONALITIES TO SPECIFICATIONS AND/OR COMMENTS**