NOTICE TO BIDDERS

BID NO. SC-1605A

In accordance with Title 14-22-101 of the Arkansas Code, notice is hereby given that the Sebastian County Judge will receive sealed proposals at the Purchasing Department, 35 South 6th Street, Room 106, Fort Smith, Arkansas 72901, until 2:00 p.m. on the 29th day of February, 2016, at which time proposals will be publicly opened and read at the Purchasing Department. Proposals will be taken for the purchase of one (1) Sport Utility Vehicle. Additional information can be obtained by contacting the Sebastian County Purchasing Department in writing via email at purchasing@co.sebastian.ar.us, by mail at Purchasing Department, 35 South 6th Street, Room 106, Fort Smith, Arkansas 72901, or by visiting the County website at www.sebastiancountyar.gov. Proposals must in all matters comply with the laws of the State of Arkansas. Small businesses, as well as minority or women's businesses, are encouraged to participate in this process. The County Judge reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, waive any formalities or to accept any proposal deemed most advantageous to the County.

Charity Gregory
Purchasing/Facilities Administration
Sebastian County, Arkansas

FOR THE TIMES RECORD:
Legal notice. Publish on February 17, 2016 and February 21, 2016

RETURN PROOF WITH STATEMENT NO LATER THAN February 29, 2016
TO:
David Hudson, County Judge
Purchasing Department
35 South 6th Street, Room 106
Fort Smith, Arkansas 72901

SEBASTIAN COUNTY JUDGE
Purchasing Department
35 South 6th Street, Room 106
Fort Smith, Arkansas 72901
(479) 784-1502 Fax (479) 784-1550

February 17, 2016

NOTICE TO: Qualified Bidders

SUBJECT: Request for Proposal, Bid Number SC - 1605A

Sebastian County is interested in receiving sealed written proposals for furnishing the products/services specified in the attached Request for Proposal (RFP). Complete details regarding the products and/or services required by the County, and instructions for participating in the bid process, are included in the attached bid package.

Bids must be received by the time and date indicated in the RFP. Bids received after the time and date set for opening will not be considered.

Bidders who do not wish to submit bids must submit a "No Bid" to continue to be eligible for retention on the Bid List. The Bid List is periodically reviewed and bidders who have not responded to proposal requests are deleted.

If you are interested in submitting a bid, please be sure that the requirements of the RFP are completed since failure to meet the requirements could cause your bid to be rejected.

Any questions regarding the Bid Invitation should be directed to the Purchasing Department in writing at purchasing@co.sebastian.ar.us.

Charity Gregory
Purchasing/Facilities Administrator
Sebastian County

Attachment: RFP

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Sebastian County, Arkansas

COVER SHEET **SECTION I**

BID NUMBER: **SC-1605A**

TITLE: **Sheriff Vehicle: One (1) Sports Utility Vehicle**

OPENING:
Date: February 29, 2016
Time: 2:00 P.M.
Place: Purchasing Department
35 South 6th Street, Room 106
Fort Smith, Arkansas

MAIL SEALED PROPOSALS TO: Sebastian County Purchasing Department
35 South 6th Street, Room 106
Fort Smith, Arkansas 72901

ON OUTSIDE OF PROPOSAL SHOW:
(1) Return Address
(2) Bid Opening Date
(3) Bid Number and Title

Bidder must complete the following information:

Name of Bidder: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

INSTRUCTIONS:

(1) Unit prices and extensions are required on proposal form
(2) **Return *three* copies of entire Request for Proposal**
(3) Proposals must be signed to be accepted
(4) Any trade discounts should be deducted and net prices shown
(5) Bidder must guarantee product(s) offered will meet or exceed specifications contained in this Request for Proposal
(6) Bidding procedures will be in compliance with Arkansas Laws
(7) **QUOTE:** F.O.B. destination
(8) **TERMS:** Net 30 days

PROPOSAL FORM

BID NO. SC-1605A **SECTION II**

We, the undersigned, agree to furnish the products and/or services indicated below in accordance with the specifications and conditions contained herein, at the bid price shown.

It is expressly agreed and understood by and between the parties hereto, and is made a condition precedent to the entering into of any purchase agreement resulting from this invitation to bid, that the County Judge, Sebastian County, shall determine any and all questions or disputes which may arise concerning conformity to the specifications and conditions, and proposals; and the quantity, suitability, and acceptability of all items to be furnished hereunder, and his decision as to such matters shall be final, binding, and conclusive upon the parties hereto.

That this Request for Proposal and proposals submitted hereunder shall be governed by the laws of the State of Arkansas.

We, the undersigned, affirm that this proposal is made on behalf of the undersigned, and is made without collusion on the part of any person, firm or corporation; and that the conditions and other provisions have been carefully examined and are agreed to.

Description	**Total Price**
Sheriff Vehicle: One (1) Sport Utility Vehicle	$_____

Written Amount $_____

Make: _____ **Model:** _____

Warranty: _____ **Delivery:** _____

Amounts shall be in both written form and figures. In case of a discrepancy between the written amount and the figures, the written amount will govern.

Per Statue 26-52-410 of the Arkansas Code, "No tax shall be levied or collected upon gross receipts derived from the sale of motor vehicles to municipalities and counties or to state-supported colleges and universities or to public school districts in this state".

Exceptions to specifications: NO _____ **YES** _____ **(Attach itemized list)**

From: _____ **Signature:** _____

Date: _____ **Title:** _____

General Conditions

1. Bids must be received no later than the date and time set for bid opening. **Bids must be sealed.** Bids may be withdrawn, modified or corrected by the bidder after it has been submitted, provided a written request to do so is filed with the County Judge prior to the time set for opening the bid. Telegrams or letters received prior to the time set for opening the bids will be accepted and attached to the unopened bid, and the bid will be considered withdrawn, modified, corrected, or otherwise changed accordingly. **No bid may be withdrawn, modified, corrected, or otherwise changed after the time set for opening the bids.**

2. Specifications are designed to describe the type and quality of the product/services desired by the County. They are not intended to restrict bidding on any like product/service of equal or higher quality. Any exceptions to the specifications must be noted on a separate sheet by reference to the item number in the specifications where the exception is taken. If no exceptions are submitted with the Proposal, and accepted by the County, bidders will be expected to comply with the specifications. Products and/or services will be inspected for compliance prior to acceptance.

3. Prices quoted will be considered net prices, unless otherwise stated by the bidder in the proposal. Bid prices must remain firm for 60 days, unless otherwise stated in the specifications.

4. It shall be understood and agreed that any material or product purchased under this bid shall be new and in first class condition unless otherwise stated in or required by the bid invitation.

5. Bid bonds are not required, unless specifically required by law or specified in the bid invitation.

6. **Bids must be signed to be accepted.** Signature must be that of the individual authorized to obligate the bidder whom is submitting the bid or proposal.

7. The County is exempt from Federal Excise Taxes and such taxes shall not be included in the bid price. An exemption certificate will be furnished where required.

8. State and Local Sales Taxes shall be stated as a separate item and shall not be included in the bid price of the product/services being proposed. If no taxes are so stated, the County will assume that any taxes due have been included in the price quoted and no additional taxes will subsequently be added to the bid price. The County is Sales Tax Exempt on motor vehicle purchases.

9. **Bids will be evaluated based upon compliance with the specifications, bid price, applicability, and suitability of the product/services being offered. Product and vendor reliability, warranty, delivery time, and such other factors deemed appropriate will be considered to assure the County receives a quality product most advantageous vendor to the county.** Assignment of any part or all of payments accruing under contracts or purchase agreements resulting from this Invitation to Bid will not be authorized. Payment shall only be made to the Contractor or vendor with whom the order is placed.

10. All questions or requests for clarification shall be submitted in writing via email at purchasing@co.sebastian.ar.us or mail at 35 South 6th Street Room 106, Fort Smith, AR 72901, ATTN: Purchasing Department.

11. The County reserves the right to accept part or all of any specific bid or bids and to accept any bid or bids with or without trade-in, whichever is most advantageous to the County.

12. The Sebastian County Judge reserves the right to reject any or all bids/proposals, to accept any deemed most advantageous to the County, and to waive any formalities.

Vehicle Specifications

1. All vehicles furnished to Sebastian County shall be new and delivered as specified in the Request for Proposal. Vehicles shall be furnished with all interior, exterior trim and appointments listed by the manufacturer in printed specifications and literature as standard equipment. Vehicles shall also be equipped with any and all safety equipment required by the State and applicable Federal Regulations. Any upgrades and/or additional equipment necessitated by selection of any listed option by the ordering entity shall be included in the prices bid, and no additional charge shall be made by the vendor.

2. It is the intent of these specifications to describe a SUV in sufficient detail to secure bids on comparable vehicles. All parts not specifically mentioned, which are necessary to provide a complete SUV shall be included in the bid and shall conform in strength and quality of material and workmanship to what is usually provided to the trade in general. The SUV shall be a current model under standard production by the manufacturer.

3. Any units not conforming to these specifications will be rejected, and it will be the responsibility of the manufacturer to conform to the requirements unless deviations have been specifically cited by the bidder and acceptance made on the basis of the exception.

4. Warranty - From date of delivery, each vehicle shall be accompanied by a warranty for a minimum of thirty-six (36) months or thirty-six thousand (36,000) miles, whichever comes first. Warranty shall certify that the vehicle is of good material and workmanship and that the replacement of any part or parts that fail under normal use within the designated period, free of negligence or accident, will be promptly repaired or replaced at NO cost to the County.

5. Responsibility for Inspection - Unless otherwise specified, the successful bidder will be responsible for performing all inspections required herein. The County reserves the right to make any and all inspections deemed necessary to insure compliance with this specification.

6. Each vehicle shall be completely serviced, cleaned, and thoroughly inspected by the successful bidder just prior to delivery to the County. No dealer advertisement shall be on any vehicle purchased by the County.

Pre Delivery Requirements

- Complete lubrication
- Fill crankcase with oil
- Adjustment of engine to proper operating conditions
- Inflate tires to proper pressure
- Careful check to assure perfect operation of all mechanical features
- Front end alignment and wheel balance
- Cleaning of vehicle, if necessary, and removal of all unnecessary tags, stickers, papers, etc. **Window price sticker shall not be removed**
- **No dealer's insignia shall be affixed to vehicle**
- A minimum of five (5) gallons of fuel in vehicle
- Delivery shall be during normal working hours, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday thru Friday

Vehicle Specifications

a. The intent of this bid is to secure one (1) Sport Utility Vehicle (SUV), 2015 or newer year model, preferably dark in color
b. AWD or 4x4
c. Seven (7) passenger
d. Assist handles, all seats
e. Audio System, AM/FM stereo with CD player and auxiliary input jack, including 2 USB ports and 1 SD card reader
f. Audio system feature, 6 – speaker system
g. Automatic Occupant Sensing System, sensor indicator inflatable restraint, front passenger/child presence detector
h. Bluetooth for phone, personal cell phone connectivity to vehicle audio system
i. Climate control, tri-zone automatic, with individual climate settings for driver, right-front passenger and rear passengers
j. Conversation mirror
k. Cargo management system
l. Cruise control, electronic with set and resume speed
m. Defogger, rear-window electric
n. Display, driver information enhanced, multi-color
o. Door locks, power programmable with lockout protection
p. Floor covering, color-keyed carpeting
q. Floor mats, color-keyed carpeted first and second row, removable
r. LATCH system (Lower Anchors and Top tethers for Children), or equivalent, for child safety seats, lower anchors and top tethers located in all second row seating positions, top tethers located in third row seating positions.
s. Power outlet, 110 – volt
t. Remote vehicle start
u. Rear vision camera
v. Safety belts, 3 – point, driver and right - front passenger
w. Steering column, manual tilt and telescoping
x. Steering wheel, leather-wrapped
y. Steering wheel controls, mounted audio and cruise controls, includes Driver Information Center controls
z. Theft-deterrent system, electrical, unauthorized entry
aa. Tire Pressure Monitor System, air pressure sensors in each tire with pressure display in Driver Information Center (does not apply to spare tire)
bb. Warning tones, headlamp on, key-in-ignition, driver and right-front passenger safety belt unfasten and turn signal on
cc. Windows, power, all express down, front express up
dd. Assist steps, Black
ee. Daytime Running Lamps, with automatic exterior lamp control
ff. Fascia, rear color-keyed
gg. Fascia, front body-color
hh. Headlamps, high intensity discharge

ii. Liftgate, rear manual
jj. Luggage rack side rails, roof-mounted, Black
kk. Mirrors, outside heated power – adjustable, manual – folding and color keyed, driver mirror includes spotter mirror
ll. Tire, spare P265/70R17 all-season, blackwall
mm. Tires, P265/65R18 all-season, blackwall
nn. Tire carrier, lockable outside spare, winch-type mounted under frame at rear
oo. Wheel, full-size spare, 17" (43.2 cm) steel
pp. Wipers, front intermittent, Rainsense or equivalent
qq. Wiper, rear intermittent with washer
rr. Alternator, 150 amps
ss. Battery, 660 cold cranking amps with 80 amp hour rating
tt. Brakes, 4-wheel antilock, 4-wheel disc, VAC power
uu. Cooling, external engine oil cooler, heavy-duty air-to-oil, integral to driver side of radiator
vv. Differential, heavy-duty locking rear
ww. Engine. 5.3L EcoTec3 V8, or equivalent, with Active Fuel Management, or equivalent, Direct Injection and Variable Valve Timing, or equivalent, includes aluminum block construction (355 hp [265 kW] @ 5600 rpm, 383 lb-ft of torque [518 N-m] @ 4100 rpm)
xx. GVWR, no less than 7100 lbs. (3221 kg)
yy. Rear axle, 3.08 ratio
zz. StabiliTrak, or equivalent, stability control system with brake assist, includes traction control.
aaa. Steering, power
bbb. Suspension, front coil-over-shock with stabilizer bar
ccc. Suspension, rear multi-link with coil springs
ddd. Trailering equipment, includes trailering hitch platform, 7-wire harness with independent fused trailering circuits mated to a 7-way sealed connector and 2" trailering receiver
eee. Transmission, 6-speed automatic, electronically controlled with overdrive and tow/haul mode

Form **W-9**
(Rev. December 2014)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

Print or type
See Specific Instructions on page 2.

1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.

2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above

3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification; check only **one** of the following seven boxes:
☐ Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC ☐ C Corporation ☐ S Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Trust/estate
☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶
Note. For a single-member LLC that is disregarded, do not check LLC; check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner.
☐ Other (see instructions) ▶

4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):
Exempt payee code (if any)
Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any)
(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)

5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)

Requester's name and address (optional)

6 City, state, and ZIP code

7 List account number(s) here (optional)

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1 and the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number
☐☐☐ – ☐☐ – ☐☐☐☐

or

Employer identification number
☐☐ – ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.

Sign Here **Signature of U.S. person ▶** **Date ▶**

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. Information about developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) is at *www.irs.gov/fw9*.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See *What is backup withholding?* on page 2.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),

2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or

3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and

4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting?* on page 2 for further information.