

## INVITATION TO BID ON TIMBER

You are invited to bid on merchantable timber in the sales area shown on the enclosed sketch. The boundaries of the sales area are shown on the sketch, and are marked on the property. The sales area is limited to the 13.3 acres (approximately) portion of the sketch. The 13.3 acres should be clear-cut. Other portions of this property shall not be cut at this time.

The sales area is on land owned by the County of Newberry. The tract is located in Newberry County to the southeast of SC Highway 34 and to the north of Interstate 26. The tax map number is 394-7.

The bids shall be lump sum and submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Timber Bid". Sealed bids will be accepted until September 2, 2010 by 5:00 p.m. at the Newberry County Court House Annex, 1309 College Street, Newberry, S.C. 29108 or mailed to Post Office Box 156, Newberry. Bids will be submitted to Crystal Waldrop, Purchasing Director.

The Owner and Seller is the County of Newberry, and its governing body, the Newberry County Council, must approve awarding the bid and reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

The sale will have the following conditions, which will be in the contract:

1. Payment in full upon signing of the timber contract or timber deed (Provided by Bidder to be reviewed by the County).
2. Ninety (90) days shall be the time period allowed to harvest all merchantable trees, with a wet weather extension period of up to thirty (30) days, if required.
3. If a logging deck is used, it must be located within the sales area boundaries.
4. All logging will be in accordance with the current Best Management Practices (BMP) Guidelines for South Carolina.
5. The County will not be liable for any damage or loss that might result to property or equipment in use on the property or stored on the property by the buyer or his representative.
6. The County disclaims all responsibility for injuries that might be incurred by the buyer, his agents or employees, or anyone involved in harvesting the sales area.
7. The County disclaims all responsibility for any and all damages to the property of others occurring in any way from the harvesting and/or removal of the products sold to the Buyer.
8. After the timber is harvested and removed from the tract, any existing farm roads into the tract and other roads cut out and used in harvesting the timber are to be leveled or graded so as not to leave ruts, gullies, or ditches resulting from cutting, logging, hauling and harvesting operations.
9. The buyer shall pay for all costs associated with recording, if he wants to record the timber deed or any other documents.
10. All remaining timber shall be protected as much as possible during the logging.

11. Buyer is responsible for providing workers compensation coverage to statutory requirements for all workers and liability coverage on his equipment and operations to protect the public, and proof of such coverage to the County. Comprehensive General Liability (CGL) shall be in an amount not less than one million (\$1,000,000) dollars and shall name the County as an additional insured.
12. Buyer shall provide all required notifications to the South Carolina Forestry Commission and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control.

If additional information or clarification about the Invitation for Bids is needed, contact Crystal Waldrop, Purchasing Director at 803-321-2100, or if you need information about, or access to, the property on which the timber is located, please contact Kyle Nash, Public Works Director, at 11374 Highway 34, Newberry; S.C. 29108, or at telephone number 803-321-2180. Bidders shall not visit the site without scheduling with the Public Works Department.