

Reply to: 2430  
Date: 06/19/2012

Dear Prospective Bidder:

On 07/19/2012, at 01:00 PM, sealed bids will be opened in the Francis Marion Ranger District Office, Huger, SC for the FM Nebo Road Thinning sale. This sale is located in Compartments 191, 193, 211, 215 along US 17 on the south central part of the Francis Marion RD, Charleston Co, South Carolina. Timber sale Contract 2400-6T will be used. The termination date for this sale is 06/30/2014. This is a small business set-aside sale.

This sale will be preferentially awarded to a qualified small business concern. In the absence of any bids from a self-certifying qualified small business concern, the sale will be readvertised without restriction on the size of bidders.

There are 2.45 miles (3.94 kilometers) of specified road reconstruction. A specified road construction cost of \$49,140.00 has been allowed in the appraisal for this work.

The estimated quantities in this contract have been determined prior to felling. The total estimated quantity on this sale is 3,139 CCF. The Forest Service encourages potential bidders to make their own inspection and estimate prior to bid submission. The Forest Service makes no representation, warranty, or guarantee of the accuracy of the following quantity estimates:

**Estimated Quantities and Rates per Unit of Measure**

Species	Product	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantities	Average DBH	Advertised Rates	Base Rates	Required Deposits	
							Slash Disposal	Road Maintenance
Southern Yellow Pine	Sawtimber	CCF	1,070.00	N/A	\$54.88	\$5.00	\$0.00	\$0.99
Softwood - Other	Pulpwood	CCF	2,069.00	N/A	\$8.66	\$5.00	\$0.00	\$0.99
	Total	CCF	3,139.00				\$0.00	\$3,107.61

There is a \$7,800.00 bid guarantee required on this sale.

For reviewing and/or copies of the prospectus, bid form, sale area maps, sample contract, and other related documents please visit our web site: [www.fs.usda.gov/goto/scnfs/francismariontimbersales](http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/scnfs/francismariontimbersales).

If you wish further information on this sale, the prospectus and bid form, please write or call the Francis Marion Ranger District Office, Huger, SC. The phone number to call is (843) 336-2229.

Sincerely,

  
Jonathan Dent  
Contracting Officer

Enclosure