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PUBLIC WORKS NOTICE: This letter does not authorize the purchase of any goods or services from Buyboard related to "public works," as defined in Section 39-2-1(6), *Ala. Code* (2011), until further notice. See also Section 39-2-2(d)(2), *Ala. Code* (2018), as amended by Act No. 2021-282.

Alabama County Commissions
Alabama Municipalities
City and County Boards of Education

To Whom It May Concern,

In accordance with Sections 16-13B-2(a)(13) and 41-16-51(a)(16), *Ala. Code* 1975, as amended by Act No. 2021-485, the Department has reviewed the competitive bidding process used by BuyBoard, a national, intergovernmental purchasing cooperative, created in accordance with Maryland and Rhode Island state statutes, for the contracts awarded as of the date of this letter. The Department did not identify any matters that were contrary to proper purchasing procedures or routine governmental procurement practices. Each contract was awarded by the Texas Association of School Boards, who served as the procurement administrator with BuyBoard's Board of Directors, using established ranking criteria.

Based on the Department's review, the competitive bid process used by BuyBoard is approved for use through **December 31, 2023**. This approval authorizes the purchase, lease, or lease/purchase of certain goods or services, other than voice or data wireless communication services, when certain statutory conditions are fulfilled. See Sections 16-13B-2(a)(13) and 41-16-51(a)(16), *Ala. Code* 1975, as amended by Act No. 2021-485.

Prior to utilizing BuyBoard, each governmental entity must verify that the goods or services to be purchased, leased, or lease/purchased are either not at the time available on the state purchasing program or are available at a price equal to or less than that on the state purchase program. *Id.* Further, any such purchases, leases, or lease/purchases must be made through a participating Alabama vendor holding an Alabama business license if such a vendor exists. *Id.*

Should the Department receive notice that BuyBoard or its awarded vendors are allowing Alabama governmental entities to make unauthorized purchases or other unlawful business transactions, BuyBoard's competitive bid process approval will subject to immediate revocation by the Department.

If the Department can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Rachel Laurie Riddle
CHIEF EXAMINER

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February 7, 2023

Sent Via Email: txbids@gtndist.com

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Welcome to BuyBoard!

Re: *Notice of National Purchasing Cooperative Award*; Proposal Invitation No. 698-23, Public Safety and Firehouse Supplies and Equipment

Congratulations, The National Purchasing Cooperative (National Cooperative) has awarded your company a BuyBoard® contract based on the above-referenced Proposal Invitation. The contract is effective for an initial one-year term of April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024, and may be subject to two possible one-year renewals. Please refer to the Proposal Invitation for the contract documents, including the National Purchasing Cooperative Vendor Award Agreement and General Terms and Conditions of the Contract.

To review the items your company has been awarded, please review Proposal Tabulation No. 698-23 at www.buyboard.com/vendor. Only items marked as awarded to your company are included in this contract award, and only those awarded items may be sold through the BuyBoard contract. All sales must comply with the contract terms and must be at or below the awarded pricing as set forth in the General Terms and Conditions.

The contract will be posted on the BuyBoard website as an online electronic catalog(s). **You are reminded that, in accordance with the General Terms and Conditions, all purchase orders from National Cooperative members must be processed through the BuyBoard.** Except as expressly authorized in writing by the Cooperative's administrator, you are not authorized to process a purchase order received directly from a National Cooperative member that has not been processed through the BuyBoard or provided to the Cooperative. If you receive a purchase order directly from a National Cooperative member that you have reason to believe has not been received by the National Cooperative or processed through the BuyBoard, you must promptly forward a copy of the purchase order by e-mail to info@buyboard.com

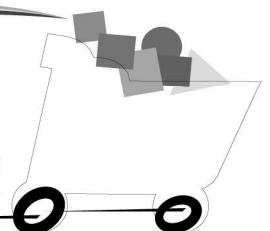
A list of National Cooperative members is available on the buyboard.com website. The BuyBoard vendor relations staff will be contacting you to assist with resources available and provide any support you may need as an awarded BuyBoard vendor.

On behalf of the National Cooperative, we are looking forward to your participation in the program. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 800-695-2919.

Sincerely,

Leigh Clover, Bid Analyst
Texas Association of School Boards, Inc.,
Procurement Administrator for the National Purchasing Cooperative

v.02.01.2021





The Local Government Purchasing Cooperative

For the Period 04/01/2023 to 03/31/2024

Final Catalog Award Report for Public Safety and Firehouse Supplies and Equipment 698-23

2. Discount (%) Off Catalog /Pricelist for **Tactical Equipment**

| | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|-----|
| GT Distributors, Inc. | Ripoffs pricelist | 1% | Yes |
| Range USA | Safariland pricelist | 10% | No |
| GT Distributors, Inc. | Safariland Body Armor pricelist | 45% | Yes |
| GT Distributors, Inc. | Safariland Duty Gear pricelist | 30% | Yes |
| Nardis Public Safety | Safariland Duty Gear pricelist | 15% | No |
| M-Pak, Inc. | Safariland pricelist | 10% | No |
| Primary Arms, LLC | Safariland pricelist (0% - 31%) | 0% | No |
| Clyde Armory, Inc. | Savvy Sniper pricelist | 11% | Yes |
| GT Distributors, Inc. | Shield Arms pricelist | 12% | Yes |
| Primary Arms, LLC | Sig Sauer pricelist | 12% | Yes |
| GT Distributors, Inc. | Spec Ops Brand pricelist | 5% | Yes |
| Federal Eastern International | Streamlight pricelist | 25.1% | No |
| Primary Arms, LLC | Surefire pricelist | 25% | Yes |
| Clyde Armory, Inc. | Surefire pricelist | 5% | Yes |
| GT Distributors, Inc. | Surefire pricelist | 0% | No |
| GT Distributors, Inc. | Tango Down pricelist | 0% | Yes |
| Tri-County communications, LTD | TCC Catalog | 10% | No |
| Rescue Gear, Inc. | Team Wendy pricelist (0% - 5%) | 0% | Yes |
| Nardis Public Safety | THOROGOOD pricelist | 15% | Yes |
| GT Distributors, Inc. | Troy Industries pricelist | 18% | Yes |
| Primary Arms, LLC | Troy Industries pricelist | 13% | No |
| Federal Eastern International | Tru Spec pricelist | 20.1% | Yes |
| Nardis Public Safety | Tru Spec pricelist | 15% | Yes |
| GT Distributors, Inc. | Uncle Mike's pricelist | 41% | Yes |
| Federal Eastern International | UNDER ARMOR pricelist | 18.1% | Yes |
| Nardis Public Safety | UNDER ARMOUR pricelist | 15% | Yes |
| Federal Eastern International | United Shield pricelist | 33% | Yes |