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#### **INVITATION FOR BIDS:**

Sealed Proposals for furnishing materials, equipment or services as described herein will be received at the Purchasing Department, Bibb Graves Hall, Room 126, University of North Alabama, Florence, Alabama, until 2:00 p.m. local time on October 31, 2016

It is understood that the owner may accept any or all items at the prices listed in this proposal within a noted timeframes on the specification page. Time is of the essence to this bid and if delivery is not made within the time specified, the University reserves the right to cancel any order placed as a result of this bid. This bid may be withdrawn at any time prior to the scheduled time for the opening of bids, or any authorized postponement thereof.

#### **DIRECTIONS FOR MAILING BIDS:**

# <u>Do not place more than one bid in an envelope.</u> Envelopes containing more than one bid may not be opened in time for a bid to be considered.

Envelopes containing bids must be sealed, marked and addressed as follows:

ADDRESSED TO: (If via any postal service (If hand carry)

University of North Alabama University of North Alabama

Purchasing Department - Bid 2017-07 Purchasing Department - Bid 2017-07

UNA M/S 5025 Bibb Graves Hall, Room 126 One Harrison Plaza One Harrison Plaza

Florence, AL 35632-0001 Florence, AL 35632-0001

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**CAUTION** – The above mailing address line, UNA Box 5025, is the address for the University of North Alabama Central Mail Room and is not part of the physical address for the University of North Alabama Purchasing Department. Envelopes or packages addressed to this box number may not be received in the Purchasing Department by the specified bid due date and time. <u>It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the bid is received in the Purchasing Department by the date and time specified; no assumptions should be made in regard to an extension due to unforeseen circumstances of any kind, no due date or time will change without advance written notice from the Procurement Office.</u>

Bidders are strongly cautioned to mail or ship bids to allow ample time for receipt in the Purchasing Department, not the Central Mail Room nor Central Receiving. Overnight or next day delivery services may not be adequate. Since bids must be received in a sealed envelope, faxed or emailed bid copies cannot be accepted.

Bids received in the Purchasing Department after the specified date and time set forth above will not be considered

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#### INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

- 1. All bidders are to submit bids on proposal forms furnished by the Assistant Vice President of Business Services, University of North Alabama (forms enclosed). All bid forms are to be signed in all designated spaces by an authorized officer or employee of the bidder. Telephone bids will not be accepted. Bids submitted by "fax" machine will not be accepted. All bids are to be mailed or delivered in a sealed envelope.
- 2. All bidders shall base their proposals on the exact schedule of equipment, material or service specifications herein.
- 3. Pictures, descriptions, and specifications should accompany all bids when required or desirable. Samples may be required and, if so, shall be furnished free of cost to the Owner.
- 4. Reference to manufacturers, suppliers, catalog numbers, etc., is intended to set quality standards and does not preclude bids from others as long as quality standards are met. Offers of equal items shall state the brand and number or level of quality. Alternates will not be considered unless they conform to the specifications.
- 5. All bidders are required to submit unit prices and extended prices, where applicable, for each item bid. Where the unit price and the extended total price do not agree, the unit price shall prevail.
- 6. The Owner reserves the right to accept any or all items on any bidder's proposal at the unit price submitted. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informalities.
- All prices submitted on the proposal are to be delivered prices to the University of North Alabama and shall not include any state or local sales tax.
- 8. Bidders should sign & return all pages of the complete bid to imply complete understanding and compliance with all bid requirements.
- All questions should be directed to the Purchasing Office, University of North Alabama, UNA Box 5025, Florence, AL 35632-0001, phone 256/765-4206.
- 10. Should a bidder find discrepancies in, or omissions from the bid documents or should he be in doubt as to their meaning, he should at once notify the Owner who will send written instructions to all bidders.
- 11. Bids received after the bid opening date and time, or any authorized postponement thereof, will not be considered.
- 12. If required, a bond may be requested and must be supplied within forty-eight (48) hours after request to protect the University from any risk of loss.
- 13. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY/U.S. FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT: By signing this proposal, bidder certifies that bidder is in compliance with the nondiscrimination clause contained in Section 202, Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375, relative to Equal Employment Opportunity for all persons without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, and the rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Labor, Veteran's Act 38USC4212, Section 503 Rehabilitation act of 1973 Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 42USC12101, and that any and all goods were produced in compliance with all applicable requirements of Sections 6, 7, and 12 of the Fair Labor Standards Act, as amended, and of regulations and orders of the United States Department of Labor issued under Section 14 thereof.
- 14. Verbal communication before or while Bid is open shall have no force or affect whatsoever toward this bid as written, or the entire agreement. All parties represent that no promises, representations, or inducements have been made with respect to the subject matter of the bid nor a contract, except as specifically set forth herein. The bid or final contract, agreement, or order, can only be changed, altered, modified or amended by written agreement from both parties.



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#### PROPOSAL FORM

In compliance with the University of North Alabama INVITATION FOR BIDS and INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS, the undersigned hereby proposes to furnish and supply items to the University of North Alabama, Florence, Alabama, in strict accordance with the SCHEDULE and SPECIFICATIONS.

The undersigned bidder/proposer hereby certifies that it, its officers, partners, owners, providers, representatives, employees, and parties in interest, including the affiant, has not in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any other bidder/proposer, potential bidder/proposer, firm or person, in connection with this solicitation, to submit a collusive or sham bid/proposal, to refrain from bidding/proposing, to manipulate or ascertain the price(s) of other bidders/proposers or potential bidders/proposers, or to secure through any unlawful act an advantage over other bidders/proposers or the university.

The prices submitted herein have been arrived at in an entirely independent and lawful manner by the bidder/proposer without consultation with other bidders/proposers or potential bidders/proposers or foreknowledge of the prices to be submitted in response to this solicitation by other bidders/proposers or potential bidders/proposers on the part of the bidder/proposer, its officers, partners, owners, providers, representatives, employees, or parties in interest, including the affiant.

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(Signature)
(Typed or Printed Name)
(Title)
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l Address:
This address will be used to publish the bid tabulation & any other communication regarding bid res

If Bidder is a Corporation, write the State of Incorporation, and if a Partnership, give full name of partners, using space below.



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# UNIVERSITY OF NORTH ALABAMA VENDOR CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ACT NO 2012-491 & ACT2014-044

ALABAMA LAW (SECTION 31-13-9, CODE OF ALABAMA 1975: By signing a contract resulting from this proposal, 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.

ALABAMA LAW SECTION 16-25-26C, CODE OF ALABAMA 1975; Legislation requiring the University of North Alabama to report to Retirement Systems of Alabama individuals paid for personal services who are currently receiving benefits from TRSA or ESA became effective October 1, 2013. No minimum level of compensation was defined. Any individual receiving direct or indirect compensation from this contract who is a retiree receiving benefits from the State of Alabama Retirement System MUST NOTIFY UNA of this status along with Bid/RFP Submission.

Date:		
Company:		
Authorizing Signature:		
Printed Name:		
Title:		
<b>State</b> of	County of	

Bidder hereby certifies full compliance with Act No. 2012-491 & Act No. 2014-044:



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# CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE BEASON-HAMMON ALABAMA TAXPAYER AND CITIZEN PROTECTION ACT (ACT 2011-535, as amended by Act 2012-491)

BID/RFPby and between(Contractor/Grantee) and(State Agency, Department or Public Entity) The undersigned hereby certifies to the State of Alabama as follows:	
(State Agency, Department or Public Entity)	
The undersigned hereby certifies to the State of Alabama as follows:	
<ol> <li>The undersigned holds the position of with the Contractor/Grantee named above, and is authorized to provide representations set out in this Certificate as the official and binding act of that entity, and has knowledge of the provisions of THE BEASON-HAMMON ALABAMA TAXPAYER AND CITIZEN PROTECTION ACT (ACT 201 1-535 of the Alabama Legislature, as amended by Act 2012-491) which is described herein as "the Act".</li> </ol>	
2. Using the following definitions from Section 3 of the Act, select and initial either (a) or (b), below, to describe the Contractor/Grantee's busi structure. BUSINESS ENTITY. Any person or group of persons employing one or more persons performing or engaging in any activity, enterprise, profession, or occupation for gain, benefit, advantage, or livelihood, whether for profit or not for profit. "Business entity" shall include, but not be limited to the following:	ness
a) Self-employed individuals, business entities filing articles of incorporation, partnerships, limited partnerships, limited liability companies, foreign corporations, foreign limited partnerships, foreign limited liability companies authorized to transact business in t state, business trusts, and any business entity that registers with the Secretary of State.	his
b) Any business entity that possesses a business license, permit, certificate, approval, registration, charter, or similar form of authorizat issued by the state, any business entity that is exempt by law from obtaining such a business license, and any business entity that is operating unlawfully without a business license.	ion
<b>EMPLOYER</b> : Any person, firm, corporation, partnership, joint stock association, agent, manager, representative, foreman, or other person havi control or custody of any employment, place of employment, or of any employee, including any person or entity employing any person for hire within the State of Alabama, including a public employer.	ng
This term shall not include the occupant of a household contracting with another person to perform casual domestic labor within the household.	
(a) The Contractor/Grantee is a business entity or employer as those terms are defined in Section 3 of the Act.	
(b) The Contractor/Grantee is not a business entity or employer as those terms are defined in Section 3 of the Act.	
<ul> <li>3. As of the date of this Certificate, Contractor/Grantee does not knowingly employ an unauthorized alien within the State of Alabama and hereafter it will not knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien within the State of Alabama;</li> <li>4. Contractor/Grantee is enrolled in E-Verify unless it is not eligible to enroll because of the rules of that program or other factors beyond its control.</li> </ul>	
Certified this day of 20	
Name of Contractor/Grantee/Recipient	
Ву:	
Its:	
The above Certification was signed in my presence by the person whose name appears above, on this day of	
WITNESS: Printed name of Witness:	



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# **State of Alabama**

# **Disclosure Statement**

(Required by Act 2001-955)		
ENTITY COMPLETING FORM	Agreement Number	
ADDRESS		
CITY, STATE, ZIP	TELE	PHONE NUMBER
STATE AGENCY/DEPARTMENT T	THAT WILL RECEIVE GOODS, SERVICES, OR IS RES	SPONSIBLE FOR GRANT AWARD
ADDRESS		
CITY, STATE, ZIP	TELE (	PHONE NUMBER
This form is provided with:  Contract Proposal	Request for Proposal Invitation to Bid	Grant Proposal
Agency/Department in the current or la Yes No	y/Department that received the goods or services, the type	. •
State Agency/Department in the Yes No	rs, divisions, or any related business units previous current or last fiscal year? Department that awarded the grant, the date such grant	
or any of your employees have a fa	ress(es) of all public officials/public employees with amily relationship and who may directly personally b ncy for which the public officials/public employees	penefit financially from the proposed transaction.

2. List below the name(s) and address(es) of all family members of public officials/public employees with whom you, members of

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# **Athletic Apparel Support and Equipment Option** Page 7 of 11 Bid No. 2017-07 For: your immediate family, or any of your employees have a family relationship and who may directly personally benefit financially from the proposed transaction. Identify the public officials/public employees and State Department/Agency for which the public officials/public employees work. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.) If you identified individuals in items one and/or two above, describe in detail below the direct financial benefit to be gained by the public officials, public employees, and/or their family members as the result of the contract, proposal, request for proposal, invitation to bid, or grant proposal. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.) Describe in detail below any indirect financial benefits to be gained by any public official, public employee, and/or family members of the public official or public employee as the result of the contract, proposal, request for proposal, invitation to bid, or grant proposal. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.) List below the name(s) and address(es) of all paid consultants and/or lobbyists utilized to obtain the contract, proposal, request for proposal, invitation to bid, or grant proposal: By signing below, I certify under oath and penalty of perjury that all statements on or attached to this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I further understand that a civil penalty of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the transaction, not to exceed \$10,000.00, is applied for knowingly providing incorrect or misleading information. Signature Date Notary's Signature Date **Date Notary Expires**

Act 2001-995 requires the disclosure statement to be completed and filed with all proposals, bids, contracts, or grant proposals to the State of Alabama in excess of \$5,000.

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# **INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

The University of North Alabama (UNA) Athletics Department is interested in partnering with an athletic apparel, and if possible footwear AND Equipment, supplier for a three to five year period starting FY2017, which begins July 1, 2017. If footwear is not a part of this agreement, the University will create an independent bid for footwear. The University spends between \$140,000 and \$200,000 per year for athletic apparel alone. Proposers may wish to include options for the supply of footwear and /or equipment with added benefits.

A rich athletic tradition exists at UNA located in Florence, Alabama supporting football, baseball, softball, volleyball, women's soccer, men and women's basketball, cross country, women's indoor track, women's outdoor track, golf, and tennis. As a member of the Gulf South Conference, UNA has a winning tradition which includes seven (7) National Championships, fifty-five (55) conference championships, and one hundred & twenty (120) NCAA post-season appearances. This history of success has brought excellent broadcast and other media exposure locally, regionally, and nationally.

## **Schedule of Events**

<b>Publication of Proposal Invitation:</b>		October 11, 2016
<b>Deadline for written questions</b>	4:00PM	October 14, 2016
<b>Answers Published &amp; Posted</b>		October 19, 2016 (NLT)
Proposal Due Date & Opening	2:00PM	October 31, 2016
<b>Anticipated Award Announcement</b>		<b>November 1, 2016</b>

<u>Proposal Opening Procedure</u>: All Proposals received in response to this request shall be opened at the scheduled time and date. Bidders who attend the opening will be informed only of the names of the entities submitting proposals. No other information will be available. Proposals will be available for public inspection only after an award has officially been made.

Evaluation of RFP's and Selected Supplier Meetings: Proposals will be evaluated by representatives from Athletics and Purchasing. The University has the discretion to evaluate the qualitative as well as financial aspects of each Proposal and make its selection based on what it considers to be in the best interest of the University as a whole, or to make no contract award at all from this RFP. Service commitment and contract management is a very critical factor and will be considered a large portion of the evaluation process.

Award: An award decision will follow the proposal opening as soon as a clear partner can be identified. No oral communication will be construed as closure of the RFP event or commitment of an award. A Formal Announcement will be published via email to all participants and posted outside the Office of Procurement for a period of 1 week after the decision is made.

**RFP Closure and Contract Completion**: Upon announcement of the award a complete agreement will be signed by all parties for immediate implementation. All final terms and conditions must include the basic terms as noted within this RFP document. If the university and the proposed vendor cannot reach contract agreement by December 1, 2016, the University reserves the right to negotiate with an alternate supplier.

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# **General Terms and Conditions of Contract**

**Contract Term**: 3 years with the option to extend annually for 2 additional years.

Contract Documents: The contract between the University Athletic Department and the Supplier shall consist of (1) the Request for Proposal (RFP), and any amendments thereto; (2) the Supplier's response to the RFP; and (3) a contract signed by both parties addressing matters not contained in either (1) or (2). In the event of conflict in language between the two documents referenced above, the provisions and requirements set forth and/or referenced in the Request for Proposal shall govern. However, the University reserves the right to clarify any contractual relationship in writing with the concurrence of the Supplier, and such written clarification shall govern in case of conflict with the applicable requirements stated in the Proposal or the Supplier's response. In all other matters not affected by the written clarification, if any, the Request for Proposal shall govern.

Amendments to Contract: Any change in the contract, whether by modification and or supplementation, must be accomplished by a formal contract amendment signed and approved by and between the duly authorized representatives of the Supplier and the University Athletic Department. The Supplier expressly and explicitly understands and agrees that no other method and/or no other document, including correspondence, acts, and oral communications by or from any person, shall be used or construed as an amendment to the contract.

Applicable State Laws: The contract shall be construed according to the laws of the State of Alabama. The Supplier shall comply with all local, state and federal laws and regulations related to the performance of the contract to the extent that the same may be applicable. Violation of any local, state or federal law and/or regulation shall be considered a material breach of this contract. The Supplier must be registered with and maintain good standing with the Secretary of State of the State of Alabama and other regulatory agencies, as may be required by law or regulation.

<u>University Trademarks</u>: The Supplier shall understand that the University names and logos are trademarks of the University. Any use of such trademarks must be approved by an appropriate University representative.

<u>Cancellation for Breach</u>: The University may cancel the contract at any time for a breach of any contractual obligation by providing the Supplier with a written notice of such cancellation. Prior to issuing such a notice, the University will, if appropriate, provide the Supplier with an opportunity to cure the breach within a reasonable period of time.

Should the University exercise its right to cancel the contract for such reasons, the cancellation shall become effective on the date as specified in the notice of cancellation sent to the Supplier.

**Right to Terminate Contract**: The University reserves the right to terminate the contract, with or without cause, for the convenience of the University without penalty or recourse by giving written notice to the Supplier at least ninety (90) days prior to the effective date of such termination. The Supplier may terminate the contract by giving the Director of Procurement written notice of such termination at least 90 days prior to termination.

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# **Proposal Details and Requirements**

# **Submission Options:**

Option 1: Proposal for Athletic Apparel only

Option 2: Proposal for Athletic Apparel and Footwear only or Apparel & Equipment only

Option 3: Proposal for Athletic Apparel, Footwear and Equipment

Bidders may choose to submit proposals for more than one option. Proposals which include footwear and/or equipment must provide as much detail as possible to explain the supply assumptions. Using terms such as "all" or "exclusive" must be defined as much as possible. The University reserves the right to clarify proposal assumptions and may meet with bidder(s) for this purpose.

## **General Selection Criteria:**

General criteria upon which proposals will be evaluated include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Ability to provide high-quality, nationally-recognized name brand apparel and uniforms.
- Designated % off retail price discounts for apparel, uniforms, footwear, and equipment (where applicable).
- Designated plan/offer if the University of North Alabama were to transition to Division 1 during any time of the agreed upon contract.
- Other financial or merchandising considerations or incentives (i.e.-volume discounts, rebates, merchandise credit, signing bonus or transition support, championship bonus, sponsored product, etc.).
- Perceived ability to provide complete network for ordering, timely fulfillment, delivery and support for on-line/web-based merchandising sales.
- Description of customer service plan and delivery schedule for both athletic department and any other department of UNA.
- Demonstrated existence of positive relationships with similar clients and partnerships.

#### **UNA Commitments**:

- The University of North Alabama Athletic Department will endorse through available signage and recognition opportunities and wear only the Supplier Brand uniforms, game day shirts, and athletic footwear (exclusion of general hats and t-shirts). This would be required for football, baseball, softball, volleyball, women's soccer, men and women's basketball, cross country, golf, and tennis.
- ➤ The University of North Alabama Athletic Teams will procure new uniforms and apparel, as well as footwear and equipment if included, from the awarded Supplier as needed throughout the term of the contract.

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#### **Proposal Content**:

To be considered a responsible bidder, proposals **must contain** the following information and be organized as follows:

- o Complete Bid Document with all appropriate signatures
- o Current W-9 Form
- Customer Service plan: Identify program management; include sales contact, delivery expectation, return options, etc.
- o At least three references of similar sized agreements
- o Financial Proposal: Include incentives, rebates, discounts, etc.
- o Any financial assumptions or restrictions made by supplier and should be known by customer.

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For any questions regarding use or needed performance of this equipment
Contact Brock Beck, 256-765-4906; email: <a href="mailto:bdbeck@una.edu">bdbeck@una.edu</a>
For questions regarding Proposal submission
Contact the Office of Procurement, Cindy Conlon (256)765-4293; email <a href="mailto:chconlon@una.edu">chconlon@una.edu</a>

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