Change in competitive solicitation limits

The current Lamar University procurement thresholds will change as a result of Texas Senate Bill 20 and the allowance of the higher thresholds by the Texas State University System.

Previously, purchases from $5,000 to $15,000 required three informal bids.

Effective February 1, 2017, Lamar University competitive solicitation limits, regardless of the source of funds, are as follows:

A. $0 - $15,000.00: Only one written quote is required; however, requisitioning departments are encouraged to obtain more than one. Purchases from a HUB (Historically Underutilized Business) are encouraged to the fullest extent possible.

B. $15,000.01 - $25,000.00: Three written informal bids are solicited, with at least two from Texas-certified HUBs* (e.g., minority-owned or woman-owned businesses).

C. $25,000.01 or greater: Formal bids, proposals, or offers are solicited, with at least two being from Texas-certified HUBs* (e.g., minority-owned or woman-owned businesses).

* If two HUB bids cannot be found, there must be verification of attempt to secure the bids (email, fax or a CMBL search resulting in no vendors found) for goods or services being procured.

All formal procurements are conducted by the Lamar University Purchasing office.

For additional information, please contact the Purchasing Office at (409)880-8377.

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