March 1st, 2024

On January 3rd, 2024, the Alabama Community College System (ACCS) issued a Request for Bid (RFB) for the Joint Purchasing Agreement related to technology equipment and services. This RFB is intended for use by the Alabama Community College System and Alabama Higher Education Institutions.

I would like to thank all vendors for responding to this request by submitting a bid. An evaluation committee, comprised of two-year institution and System Office technology experts, reviewed all responses based on the criteria specified in the RFB. The scope of the vendors chosen should meet the diverse needs of the institutions within the ACCS and other Alabama Higher Education entities.

The vendors recommended by the evaluation committee, to whom I am awarding, effective March 1st, 2024, are as follows:

Business Systems Consultants (BSC)                      One Diversified
ConvergeOne                                            Reliant Media
Endeavor IT                                             RJ Young
The ESB Group                                           SHI
HP                                                      Uniti Fiber
Layer 3                                                  Xerox Business Systems

These vendors will become part of the ACCS Joint Purchasing Agreement for a period of one-year beginning March 1st, 2024. Furthermore, the evaluation committee recommended an auto-renewal of this contract for a second year. Based on this recommendation, I am hereby granting the vendors of this contract automatic renewal on March 1st, 2025, for a period of one year, unless notice is provided by either party prior to the one-year anniversary date.

The ACCS appreciates your time and efforts submitting your response to meet the technological needs of the Alabama Community College System as well as other institutions of higher education throughout the state.

Sincerely,

Jimmy H. Baker, Chancellor