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TO: **ALL PROSPECTIVE PARTICIPANTS**

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RE: **SHERIFFS' OFFICES & LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES
OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA COOPERATIVE BID FOR
PURSUIT, ADMINISTRATIVE NON-PURSUIT, UTILITY VEHICLES,
TRUCK & VANS, & OTHER FLEET EQUIPMENT
Bid No. 07-15-0827**

We are pleased to announce that the Florida Sheriffs Association, Florida Association of Counties and Florida Fire Chiefs' Association has successfully conducted its fifteenth statewide competitive bid for vehicles which includes police pursuit, administrative non-pursuit, utility vehicles, trucks & vans, backhoes, motorgraders, agriculture type tractors, skid steer loaders and regenerative air street sweepers. This contract is effective beginning October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008, as long as vehicles are available through fleet.

Bids will be extended and guaranteed to any and all units of local governments and political subdivisions including, but not limited to, county, local county board of public instruction, municipalities and/or police agencies, other local public or public safety agencies or authorities within the State of Florida. Also, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 287, F.S., and 60A, Florida Administrative Code, any state agency including the Division of Universities, Department of Children and Family Services, Department of Health, Department of Juvenile Justice and Department of Corrections which elects and is authorized to purchase from a source other than the State of Florida contract is eligible to purchase from this bid.

In addition to the eligible users referenced above and with the consent of the successful bidder(s), purchases may be made under the terms and conditions of this contract by governmental entities located outside the State of Florida. Appropriate governmental entities' purchasing laws, rules and regulations shall apply to purchases made under this contract.

This program is designed to provide participating agencies with the most economically priced patrol, administrative non-pursuit, utility vehicles, trucks & vans, and other fleet equipment tailored to their specific needs, in a prompt and timely manner. One of the unique characteristics of this program that distinguishes it from others is that this bid contract is awarded to the lowest responsible bidder *by manufacturer* by specification by zone for all vehicles, trucks, vans and other fleet equipment.

The Florida Sheriffs Association, Florida Association of Counties and Florida Fire Chiefs' Association realize that Sheriffs' Offices, Police Agencies and other units of local governments must provide economically based maintenance and stocked parts for their fleets. They must consider overall operational cost of their vehicles instead of just considering "low bid" on the purchase of the vehicle. This program's bid award system not only provides the purchaser with the means to make sound decisions on dedicated fleet needs, but also offers the convenience of shopping and purchasing from a single contract.

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