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INVITATION FOR ANNUAL BIDS

HIGH PERFORMANCE PERMANENT COLD PATCH MATERIAL

DeKalb County Road Department
Road Building Materials & Shop Supplies

To Interested Vendors:

The DeKalb County Commission is requesting Annual Bids for Road Building Materials and Shop Supplies. The bid prices requested shall be good from October 1, 2026 to September 30, 2027.

If you have any questions about the Bid Invitation, please call the DeKalb County Engineer's Office at (256) 845-8584.

SHIPPING AND DELIVERY TERMS

F.O.B.: DEKALB COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT
1001 LEBANON ROAD SW, FORT PAYNE, AL 35967
DELIVERY DATE: AS REQUESTED
TERMS OF PAYMENT: 30 DAYS AFTER DELIVERY

BIDS WILL BE OPENED ON: **SEPTEMBER 3, 2026**
AT 1:00 P.M.

BIDS SHALL BE DELIVERED TO:
SUITE 200, 111 GRAND AVENUE, S.W., FORT PAYNE, ALABAMA 35967

SPECIFICATIONS:

Specifications are patterned after goods and services that have been reviewed and found desirable. This is not to discourage any bidder; rather, you are encouraged to bid any goods or services that will meet specifications. If applicable, please note your goods or services may differ in a "bid exception" statement, and attach it to your bid. **A BID GUARANTY IS NOT REQUIRED.**

INVITATION DATE: 08/03/2026

Ricky Harcrow
BPL

By: Ricky Harcrow, President
DeKalb County Commission

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INVITATION FOR BIDS HIGH PERFORMANCE PERMANENT COLD PATCH MATERIAL

NOTICE: In accordance with Section 41-16-50 Code of Alabama, as amended, notice is hereby given that the DeKalb County Commission, will receive competitive bids on the following items. Sealed bids will be received by the DeKalb County Commission until the date and time specified below, and then publicly opened and read.

BID DATE: SEPTEMBER 3, 2026 @ 1:00 P.M.

STANDARD INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

The bid award will not be based solely on price. Other factors such as compliance with specifications, value, delivery time, support and service, and warranty time and conditions will be considered to determine the best bid.

Delivery of bid: It shall be the responsibility of the bidder to see that proper delivery of his/her bid is made to the DeKalb County Commission at the above address and prior to the specified bid-opening time. Deliveries may be made in person, by mail or by delivery service, but it is the sole responsibility of the bidder to determine whether or not delivery has been completed prior to bid-opening time.

1. *Non-Discrimination Statement:* No bids shall be accepted without a statement signed by an officer of the bidder's that the company does not discriminate in hiring due to race, color, creed, sex, national origin, religion, age or handicap.

2. All bids *must* be sealed and word "BID" and the nature of the bid marked on the envelope.

3. All bids shall be *typewritten or written in ink*. They must bear signature of an official of the corporation/company duly authorized to sign bids, and all bids shall be notarized.

4. All *corrections* and *erasures* shall be initialed by the person signing or his/her authorized representative.

5. Bids *may be amended or withdrawn* by the party submitting such bid, or by their authorized representative, up until the scheduled opening time. No bid may be amended or withdrawn thereafter regardless of the circumstances.

6. Prices quoted in all bids *shall be delivered prices*, exclusive of all federal and state excise, sales and manufacture's taxes; and the DeKalb County Commission will assume no transportation or handling charges other than those specified in this bid.

7. It will be assumed that all bids are *based upon the specification requirements* furnished with the bid invitation unless the bidder stipulates to the contrary on his/her bid response, in which case, the bidder will list on a separate sheet of paper any exceptions to the conditions of the bid. This sheet shall be clearly labeled "*EXCEPTIONS TO BID CONDITIONS*", and will be attached to the bid proposal. This attached sheet must also be signed by the original bid responder. If no exceptions are stated, it will be understood that all general and specific conditions will be met.

8. The DeKalb County Commission *reserves the right for a product demonstration* of any or all bid items by bidder representative before making the award.

9. All items bid *will be inspected* by a representative of the DeKalb County Commission upon delivery to ascertain compliance with the bid specifications. All noncompliant items will be rejected and shall be replaced by the vendor at no cost to the county.

10. The successful *bidder shall indemnify and save harmless* the DeKalb County Commission against any and all claims for royalties, patent infringements or suits for information thereon which may be involved in the manufacture or use of the items to be furnished under the bid.

11. Whenever in this invitation any particular materials, processes and/or equipment are indicated or specified by patent, proprietary or brand name of manufacture, such wording will be deemed to be used for the purpose of facilitating a description of the bid material, process and/or equipment desired, and will be deemed to be followed by the words "*EQUIVALENT*". Proof satisfactory must be provided by bidder to show that the alternative product is, in fact, equal to the product required in the specifications.

BID PROPOSAL

HIGH PERFORMANCE PERMANENT COLD PATCH MATERIAL

In accordance with Section 41-16-50/63, Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended, and all specifications in accordance with the Alabama Department of Transportation *Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, 2026 Edition*, notice is here by given that the DeKalb County Commission, Fort Payne, Alabama, will receive competitive bids on the following item:

HIGH PERFORMANCE PERMANENT COLD PATCH MATERIAL

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>BID PRICE UNIT COST PER POUND OF LIQUID</u>
QPR® Bituminous Liquid Blend, or Approved Equal	Pound	\$ _____

The above bid price per pound of liquid shall include the manufacturing of High Performance Permanent Cold Patch Material at The DeKalb County, Alabama, Road Department located at 1001 Lebanon Road, S.W., Fort Payne, Alabama. The bidder shall provide the liquid blend material, a pug mill mixing machine with operator and an on-site technical advisor approved by the liquid supplier, including transportation costs and travel expenses for the above. The county shall provide the aggregate and equipment with operators to stockpile and mix the aggregate, to load the aggregate into the pug mill and to remove the processed material from its exit of the pug mill to the stockpile.

See Attached Specifications.

You are invited to bid on the above specifications. Any substitutes offered must be submitted in detail. The right to reject any items or materials not of quality or under any provisions of this act is reserved.

MATERIAL SPECIFICATION

DESCRIPTION

This material shall be a pug mill mixed, high performance pavement patching material capable of storage in an uncovered outdoor stockpile for a minimum of 12 months. It shall be composed of laboratory approved material aggregates and modified bituminous QPR® Liquid Blend, or approved equal, capable of coating wet aggregates (up to 4% moisture) without stripping and have stripping resistance of retained coating of not less than 95%. The permanent asphalt repair shall be uniform, remain flexible and cohesive to -15° F, and be capable of retaining adhesive qualities in wet applications. The patching materials shall be able to repair asphalt, concrete, surface treated roads and shall not require removal and replacement if ever the pavement is overlaid.

MATERIALS

A) Aggregate (Provided by County)

The aggregate shall consist of 100% crushed stone or a laboratory approved equivalent under ASTM C-136. All aggregate is to be from approved sources, and representative samples of both fine and coarse aggregate shall be from the plant site and laboratory tested. Sampling and testing methods shall be in accordance with accepted local practice.

Gradation analysis to comply with all local requirements. Recommended gradation analysis is as follows:

ALDOT No. 8910

SCREEN SIZES	PERCENTAGE PASSING
1/2"	100
3/8"	90-100
#4	60-85
#8	40-70
#50	10-25
#200	1-5

All aggregate percentages are based on the total weight of aggregate.

ASTM C-88	Soundness Loss	12.0% Max.
ASTM C-131	Los Angeles Abrasion	40.0% Max.
ASTM C-117	200 Sieve (by wash)	2.0% Max.
ASTM C-127, 128	Absorption	1.0-2.0% Max.
ASTM C-127, 128	Specific Gravity	2.55%-2.75% Max.
ASTM C-123	Soft Aggregates	3.0% Max

Aggregate Acceptance

Aggregate compatibility approval must be obtained from the liquid manufacturer's quality control facility prior to material production at any mixing plant.

B) Bituminous Material

The modified bituminous liquid blend shall be QPR®, or approved equal, which meets the following requirements:

ASTM D-1310	Flashpoint (TOC)	200° F (94°C) Minimum
ASTM D-2170	Kinematic Viscosity at 60°C (140°F)	300-4000
ASTM D-95	Water	0.2% maximum
ASTM D-402	Distillate Test (Volume of Original sample)	72-95%
To 457° F (225° C)		None
To 500° F (260° C)		0-5%
To 600° F (315° C)		0-25%
Residue from distillate at 680° F (360° C)		72-95%

RESIDUE TESTS

ASTM D-2171	ABS. Viscosity at 140°F (60° C)	125-425 Poises
ASTM D-5	Penetration	200 Minimum
ASTM D-113	Ductility at 39°F (4° c) 0.4 in/Min	100 Minimum
ASTM D-2042	Solubility in Tricloroethylene	99% Minimum

QPR® Liquid Blend, or approved equal, shall be shipped from authorized blending terminal locations. Liquid shall be completely blended at terminal under supervision of authorized Quality Control personnel. No additives, modifiers, or extra ingredients are to be introduced into the liquid blend at any time after shipment from terminal. A copy of bill of lading and material certification shall accompany every shipment. QPR® Liquid Blend, or approved equal, shall be shipped in insulated tankers to maintain oil temperature during transportation.

PLANT MIX

The cold mix shall consist of aggregates meeting material as specified in Section *A) Aggregate*, and the bituminous liquid blend meeting material specified in section *B) Bituminous Material* as indicated in the proposed job mix formula. Bituminous material shall be accepted at the supplier's source and at the plant site on the basis of the supplier material certification.

The preferred mixing ratio shall be 5.5% liquid blend or 110 lbs. per finished ton (2000 lbs.) of mixed material. Continuous on-site testing will determine exact final mixing ratio which will be identified in the final job mix formula. All aggregate percentages are based on the total weight of the mix.

The job mix formula information shall provide:

- Aggregate gradation band and aggregate type.
- Bituminous material – amount and type including any activities used.
- Temperature ranges for material preparation.

MANUFACTURING, PREPARATION & OPERATION

Pugmill Production

The mixture can be produced through a cold manufacturing process (PUGMILL). The QPR® Bituminous Liquid Blend, or approved equal, shall be heated between 200°F to 220°F. The QPR® Liquid Blend, or approved equal, temperature is elevated to help with the adhesion process between the bituminous liquid and the aggregate. The furnished mix will not exceed 180°F when produced through the Pugmill. The final mixture shall be tested in accordance with the liquid manufacturer's on-site quality control requirements.

STOCKPILE INSPECTION

Prior to production, the stockpile site is to be inspected for any contaminant such as dirt, sand, or debris that may affect the quality of the High Performance Cold Patch. The stockpile area should be a hard surface, preferably paved with concrete or bituminous surface.

ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICITY TESTING

The modified bituminous cold patch QPR® Liquid Blend, or approved equal, must have an independent test conducted by a certified laboratory as to toxicology results in a Static Acute Bio Assay Procedures for Hazardous Materials which determines effect of runoff into waterways, lakes, ponds, and groundwater.

SPECIFICATION SAMPLING

A one quart sample of the QPR® Liquid Blend, or approved equal, will be retained at the asphalt depot prior to shipping. On delivery of the tank truck, an additional one-quart sample will be taken of the QPR® Liquid Blend, or approved equal, by the sales representative and is to be retained by the customer/producer for a period of one year, or until the stockpile is depleted.

QUALITY CONTROL

On each load, a Quality Control report will be prepared by the quality control technician. All phases of production of the plant operation and the material testing on each 150 tons of production will be prepared and entered accordingly in each category. Site tests will be completed which include Spot Test, Strip Resistance, Coating Observation and Roll Test.

HEATING

QPR® Liquid Blend, or approved equal, should not be heated above 70°F (21°C) when utilizing a hot box.

TRAINING OF INSTALLATION CREWS

The manufacturer will make available a complete training program for all road crews to ensure correct patching methods, along with updates on the subject.

STOCKPILING

One (1) year shelf life. QPR® Liquid Blend, or approved equal, may be stockpiled up to 12 months in an uncovered outdoor stockpile.

ASPHALT CEMENT INDEX PRICE ADJUSTMENT

Pursuant to terms of the bid invitation for bids awarded September 2026, the price of asphalt plant mix may be adjusted monthly based on the cost changes for the asphalt used in mixing. The standard indicator shall be the “*Asphalt Cement Index*” in the Alabama Department of Transportation Construction Bureau, Subarticle 109.03(e) of the Standard Specifications.

The “*Asphalt Cement Index*” is computed by the Alabama Department of Transportation by determining the average unit price quoted for asphalt cement to the nearest cent each month.

The actual amount of adjustment will be determined by multiplying the difference between the current month’s index and September 2026 Alabama Department of Transportation “*Asphalt Cement Index*” by the amount in gallons of liquid asphalt used in the plant mix material shown on the invoice.

VENDOR'S RESPONSE

By signing and submitting the "Invitation for Bids", bidder declares that he/she does not discriminate in hiring on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or handicapped status.

Name of Company

Business Address / Telephone Number / Email

Typed or Printed Name of Authorized Representative / Title

Authorized Representative Signature

Date

*** IF SHEET IS NOT SIGNED AS DESIGNATED, BID IS VOID ***

NOTARY CERTIFICATE

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the above Authorized Representative, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me this date that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal this _____ day of _____, 2026.

My commission expires _____.

Notary Public