NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

June 10, 2025

Re: South American Investment and Trade Services
Request for Proposals RFx# 3120003107

The Office of Statewide Strategic Sourcing (OSSS) issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) on behalf of the Mississippi Development Authority (MDA) for South America Investment and Trade Services. MDA received five (5) offerors in response to its solicitation. The proposals were opened on April 22, 2025.

MDA received proposals from the following Offerors:

1. B-Side
2. Global BMT
3. Goldstone Consulting Group
4. PSD Global
5. South American Connection

Goldstone Consulting Group and PSD Global, were deemed non-responsive. B-Side, was deemed non-responsible. The Evaluation Committee did not evaluate any non-responsive or non-responsible proposal. The remaining offerors' proposals were evaluated and received the following scores:

Offeror Name	Technical Score (36)	Management Score (29)	Cost Score (35)	Overall Score (100)	Overall Rank
South American Connection	35	27.7	35	97.7	1
Global BMT	24	21.3	27.7	73	2

Based on the evaluation results, the Evaluation Committee recommended that the agency award the contract to ***South American Connection***, because South American Connection was found to be the responsive and responsible offeror that received the highest evaluated score. The Evaluation Committee's individual and composite score sheets are included in the Agency Procurement File.

The Evaluation committee consisted of the following MDA employees: Luigi Dominighini, Aggie Sikora and Carol Harris.

After review and consideration, OSSS and MDA announces its intent to award a contract to ***South American Connection*** upon approval by the Public Procurement Review Board (PPRB).

Any vendor who responded to this solicitation may submit a written request to reconsider MDA's decision in accordance with *OPSCR Rule 6.9.3, Request for Reconsideration*, within three (3) business days of the issuance of this Notice of Intent to Award. The complete Agency Procurement File, including this Notice of Intent to Award, terms, conditions, and scope of services of the contract, and all supporting documentation, is publicly available on MDA's website at https://mississippi.org/about/competitive-procurements/, in accordance with *OPSCR Rule 6.9.1.2, Public Posting of the Agency Procurement File*.

MDA and OSSS extend sincere thanks to all vendors who participated in this solicitation. We appreciate the time, effort, and interest demonstrated in providing services to the State of Mississippi.