



**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
STATE OF MICHIGAN**

TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #5187

SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME: 1:00 p.m. (local time) on September 15, 2014.

LOCATION: PLAINWELL OFFICE, 621 NORTH 10TH ST, PLAINWELL, MI 49080.

PROSPECTUS NOTE: The timber sale is located in the Rose Lake State Game area, though the bid opening will be at the Plainwell Operations Service Center (OSC). Please submit your bid to the Plainwell OSC.

The bidder is advised to inspect the sale area and review the location, estimated volumes, operating costs and contract terms of proposed sales. Please be aware that some landowners may request 60 days or more notice for access across their land.

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the Game Area Manager, ROSE LAKE WILDLIFE OFFICE, for certain timber on the following described lands:

ROSE LAKE TIMBER (25-001-13-01) / T05N, R01W, SEC. 23, E1/2NW,S1/2NE,NWNE,SE,E1/2SW.
Clinton County, Advertised Price \$27,580.57, 160.0 Acres

SALE NOTE: Very good hardwood quality in oak stands. Payment units 1 and 3 are land clearing projects. Contact the State Game Area Biologist and/or Forester for more details.

No designated recreation site such as a trail, pathway, or campground is within the sale area or the vicinity. Access may be through other public land.

BID INSTRUCTIONS (VER. 06/06/2013):

1. Scheduled Bid Location, Date, and Time (2/11)

Bids must be received by the Unit Manager, PLAINWELL OFFICE, 621 NORTH 10TH ST, PLAINWELL, MI 49080, no later than 1:00 p.m. (local time) on September 15, 2014. For further information concerning this sale, contact Cindy McQueer at 269-685-6851 extension 139.

2. Bidder's Qualifications (2/12)

Purchaser shall obtain workers compensation insurance to cover claims under Michigan's Worker's Disability Compensation Act of 1969 or similar employee benefit act of any other state applicable to an employee. If all or part of a timber sale was prepared by a private contractor, that contractor and that contractor's company are not permitted to bid on the timber sale contract. Bids will not be accepted from individuals or companies appearing on the DNR/FRD No-Bid List. This list contains the names of purchasers who previously failed to execute a contract within 21-days or who have a history of poor performance.

3. Preparation of Sealed Bids (1/11)

Bids shall be manually signed in ink; bid prices must be entered for each species and product in the Bid Price column for all material subject to bidding; and all fill-in blanks must be completed. If erasures or other changes appear on the forms, each erasure or change must be initialed by the person signing the bid.

4. Submission of Sealed Bids (6/11)

Bid forms may be obtained from the Unit Manager. All bids must be submitted on the bid form and in an envelope clearly identified as described in this section. NOTE: Only one bid form per bid envelope. Sealed bids must be submitted to the Unit office designated in the prospectus and must be submitted at or prior to the time established in the prospectus. The envelope should show on the outside (a) the sale name or number and (b) the date and time of bid opening as shown in the prospectus. Bids received after the time specified in the sale prospectus are late bids and will be rejected.

5. Public Opening of Sealed Bids (6/13)

If conditions permit, the sealed bids will be publicly opened and posted at the time and place set in the prospectus.

If a bidder, present at a bid opening, has submitted bids on more than one sale, that bidder may withdraw their unopened bid envelopes after being declared the successful bidder on one sale.

6. Award of Contract (1/11)

Award of the contract will be made to the Bidder whose bid, conforming to the prospectus, is most advantageous to the State of Michigan on the basis of total value at rates bid for the estimated quantities. The State reserves the right to reject any bid or waive any minor irregularity in bids received. A written award mailed (or otherwise furnished) to the successful Bidder shall be deemed to result in a binding contract without further action by either party.

7. Down Payment (1/11)

The Bidder to whom award is made must make a down payment within 21 days of the sale award. The amount of the down payment will be calculated as shown in the Bond and Payment Schedule of this prospectus. Only cash may be used to meet this requirement.

8. Performance Security (1/11)

As guarantee of faithful performance, a cash bond, certificate of deposit, surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit (LOC) is required within 21 days of the sale award. The amount of the performance security is shown in the Bond and Payment Schedule of this prospectus. If an LOC or surety is used, the coverage must extend for at least 6 months beyond the contract expiration.

9. Timber Sale Contract (10/12)

Additional conditions and requirements common to all timber sales are listed on the timber sale contract (R4031) and are available on line at www.michigan.gov/timber. Contact the Unit Manager for additional information or a sample contract. Within 21 days of the date of the award letter, the bidder must sign the contract and provide the required down payment, performance security, and verification of worker's disability compensation. The down payment and performance security shall be in accordance with the provisions of the timber sale contract, in the sums stated in this prospectus. If these actions

are not taken, then the Bidder, the Bidder's corporation, and the corporation's principals may not be permitted to bid on State timber sales for a period of 1 year. In addition, the Bidder certifies that if awarded this contract, the Bidder will complete the timber sale contract in accordance with its terms and any modifications thereof including requirements to purchase, cut, and remove the included timber by the termination date.

10. Disclaimer of Estimates and Bidder's Warranty of Inspection (1/11)

Before submitting this bid, the Bidder is advised and cautioned to inspect the sale area, review the requirements of the sale contract, and take other steps as may be reasonably necessary to ascertain the location, estimated volumes, construction estimates, and operating costs of the proposed sale. Failure to do so will not relieve the Bidder from responsibility for completing the contract.

The Bidder warrants that this bid is submitted solely on the basis of the Bidder's examination and inspection of the quality and quantity of the timber offered for sale and the Bidder's opinion of the value thereof and the costs of recovery. No reliance should be placed on the State of Michigan's estimates of timber quality, quantity or costs of recovery. Bidder further acknowledges that the State of Michigan: (i) expressly disclaims any warranty of fitness of timber for any purpose; (ii) offers this timber as is without any warranty of quality (merchantability) or quantity and (iii) expressly disclaims any warranty as to the quantity or quality of timber sold.

11. Certification and Chain-of-Custody (3/13)

Unless otherwise indicated in the contract under section 7 – Other Conditions of the Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements, the area encompassed by this timber sale is certified to the standards of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) - Certificate #SCS-FM/COC-00090N and the Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) - Certificate # NSF-SFIS-5Y031-S1. Forest products from this sale may be delivered to the mill as "FSC 100% and / or SFI certified" as long as the contractor hauling the forest products is chain-of-custody (COC) certified or covered under a COC certificate from the destination mill. The purchaser is responsible for maintaining COC after leaving the sale area.

KEITH CREAGH

Director

TIMBER SALE INFORMATION

ROSE LAKE TIMBER (25-001-13-01)

T05N, R01W, SEC. 23.

Clinton County (Advertised Price \$27,580.57)

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A timber sale contract for this lump sum, sealed bid timber sale will be awarded to the responsible bidder offering the highest sealed bid price. Bids must be at or above the following advertised price for each species:

<u>PRODUCTS & SPECIES</u>	<u>ESTIMATED UNITS*</u>	<u>ADVERTISED PRICE</u>
Sawlogs		
Black Cherry	54.10 MBF	\$ 118.00 / MBF
Mixed Oak	151.70 MBF	\$ 38.50 / MBF
Mixed Pine	4.70 MBF	\$ 15.50 / MBF
Other C. Sp.	127.80 MBF	\$ 60.00 / MBF
Red Maple	15.70 MBF	\$ 32.00 / MBF
Red Pine	24.50 MBF	\$ 52.50 / MBF
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Misc. Sp.	110.00 Acres	\$ 0.50 / Acre
Mixed Hardwood	23.00 Cords	\$ 6.70 / Cord
Mixed Oak	168.00 Cords	\$ 5.22 / Cord
Mixed Pine	18.00 Cords	\$ 6.60 / Cord
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Red Maple	100.00 Cords	\$ 5.95 / Cord
Red Pine	92.00 Cords	\$ 13.10 / Cord
White Oak	49.00 Cords	\$ 5.80 / Cord

* The estimated units are final and not subject to adjustment. Prospective bidders are urged to examine this timber and to make their own estimates of quantity and quality.

BOND AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

1. A bond in the amount of **\$4,000.00** to insure faithful performance of the conditions of the contract will be deposited by the successful bidder within 21 days of the sale award.
2. Cutting in any sale or unit without the required advance payment would be considered a trespass.
3. Total payment must be paid in advance or according to the following schedule:
 - (a) Ten percent (10%) of the sale value must be paid within 21 days of the sale award.
 - (b) The 10% down payment will be credited towards the first unit cut.
 - (c) Payment for each of the following units must be made before cutting begins in that unit:

PAYMENT UNIT NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL SALE VALUE
01	13%
02	35%
03	1%
04	51%
4. If no cutting takes place, the 10% down payment will not be refunded.
5. Operations on the contract issued will terminate on 09/30/2016.

Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: Rose Lake Timber Sale Number: 25-001-13-01

1 - Sale Area

1.2 - Boundaries

1.2.1 - Painted boundaries (1/14)

The sale boundary and Payment Unit boundaries are marked and identified by red and/or yellow paint. Exterior sale boundary lines against state are marked with red paint. Interior Payment Unit boundaries are marked with yellow paint. Yellow painted trees designating an interior Payment Unit boundary are only to be cut when all surrounding Payment Units have been paid.

Payment Unit 3 as labeled on the Timber Sale Map has no boundary on the ground, but will occur in the areas listed on the map.

2 - Timber Specifications

2.1 - Included Timber

2.1.1 - Clearcut unit(s) with unmerchantable trees (8/11)

Within Payment Unit(s) # 1 and 3 (Grass/brush Unit) in general, cut all trees that are one (1) inches or more in diameter measured at a point four and one-half (4-1/2) feet above ground level regardless of merchantability. Also cut and remove most woody biomass including any invasive species such as autumn olive, Eurasian honeysuckle, buckthorn, and locust.

2.1.7 - Leave tree marked unit(s) (8/11)

Within Payment Unit(s) #'s 2 and 4, cut and remove most woody biomass including invasive species such as autumn olive, Eurasian honeysuckle, buckthorn, and locust from the area regardless of merchantability, except trees marked with green paint and any white pine and hemlock trees that may be present. Avoid the removal of pre-existing down and dead woody material within these units.

2.1.11 - Description of timber note (2/04)

Note that Other Comm Sp = hickory. Mixed hardwood = elm, black locust and honey locust. Mixed pine = jack, Austrian, and scotch pine. Mixed oak = black oak, and hybrid red/black oak. Miscellaneous = woody biomass within payment unit 3 (Grass/brush Unit) that is being sold by the acre.

For the purpose of this document, woody biomass is defined as “the trees and woody plants, including stem, limbs, tops, and other woody parts, tree needles, leaves, or cones grown in a forest or woodland environment.”

2.2 - Utilization

2.2.1 - Utilization (2/04)

All listed board foot volumes of sawlog size products in this contract have been determined using a top diameter inside bark of 10 inches.

2.3 - Log Rule

2.3.1 - Log rule (12/08)

All board foot volumes of sawlog size products in this contract have been determined by the International ¼ Inch Log Rule.

3 - Payments

3.4 - Damaged Timber

3.4.1 - Damaged timber (6/05)

General Condition and Requirement 3.4 Damaged Timber, defines liquidated damages for undesignated live merchantable trees which are cut or injured. Damage to residual trees (defined as breaking of the cambium layer, broken tops or bending of trees from their natural position) is not acceptable.

A rate of \$100 per tree will be charged to the purchaser for every green marked, leave tree that is damaged within Payment Units 2 and 4.

3.6 - Payment Unit Cutting Schedule

3.6.1 - Order of cutting (1/09)

Payment Units shall be cut in this order only; 1, 2, 3, and 4 with adjacent sections of payment unit 3 being completed along with them to the satisfaction of the area manager and/or sale administrator before moving to the next payment unit.

4 - Transportation

4.2 - Maintenance

4.2.5 - Two wheel drive condition (2/04)

All existing trail roads on and adjacent to the sale area must be passable by two-wheel drive traffic for the duration of the sale.

4.3 - Public Right-of-Way

4.3.2 - County R-O-W (12/06)

The county must be contacted prior to crossing or harvesting in the county road R-O-W.

4.4 - Access

4.4.3 - Access gate (12/08)

The access gate must be locked at the completion of each day unless otherwise approved by the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

5 - Operations

5.1 - Notification

5.1.1 - Pre-sale conference (10/11)

A pre-sale conference on site between the Purchaser and sale administrator is required prior to beginning any operations to determine landing and road locations. The Unit Manager or his/her representative must be contacted at least 10 days in advance to schedule the conference.

5.1.4 - Post-sale conference (6/11)

A post-sale conference on site between the Purchaser and sale administrator is required 5 days prior to the completion of active logging operations to determine clean-up and repair of landings, road edges, and the fulfillment of other contract specifications.

5.1.6 - Utility R.O.W. (10/08)

It is the responsibility of the Purchaser to obtain permission from the utility company to utilize the power line R.O.W. for operations.

5.2 - Conduct of Operations

5.2.3 - Operating Restrictions

5.2.3.4 - Oak wilt restriction (6/10)

Within Payment Unit(s) unless changed by written agreement, cutting, skidding, and hauling are not permitted during the period of April 15 to July 15. This is necessary to reduce the spread of oak wilt. For more information, contact the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

5.2.4 - Dead and Down Creation

5.2.4.6 - Dead and down creation, other (9/09)

To create grouse and rabbit habitat, within Payment Unit(s) 2 and 4, create 7 slash piles on the outside perimeter of these units. These slash piles may consist of non-utilized sticks, logs, tree tops, stumps, etc. but must be placed in a fashion that is not damaging to residual trees and advanced tree regeneration. The size of these piles will be about 5 feet wide, 10 feet long and 4 feet high. Consult with the local field staff for exact placement and creation of these.

5.2.32 - Decking/landing restoration (9/11)

All decking and landing areas must have the surface area restored to a condition equal to or better than before. This is to ensure the proper regeneration of the stand.

5.2.38 - No decking against live trees (2/04)

Cut products may not be decked against unmarked or designated leave trees.

5.4 - Soil Protection

5.4.1 - Rutting restriction, general (1/09)

Operations are to cease immediately if equipment and weather conditions result in rutting of roads and skid trails which is 12 inches or greater in depth and 50 feet in length. The Unit Manager or his/her representative may restrict hauling and/or

skidding if ruts exceed the specified depth. With the Unit Manager or his/her representative's approval, the Purchaser may return to the area when the risk of rutting has decreased.

5.4.2 - Skid trails (2/04)

Skid trails up and down slopes should be avoided. If however this is unavoidable, these trails will be left in a non-erodible condition using water bars, logs, and slash. Placing of slash on these skid trails while logging is ongoing may alleviate need for any further action. At the direction of the sale administrator, seed, fertilizer, and mulch may also be required.

5.4.6 - Wet area protection (5/10)

No harvesting operations, including skidding and felling, are to take place within the vernal pond lowland areas or drainages that are designated on the timber sale map. When harvesting occurs, there should be no disturbance to the vernal pond depression. All equipment, trees and tops should be kept out of this area. Within 100 feet of the pond, equipment should only be used when the soil is in a dry or frozen condition. Care must be taken by the Purchaser to identify and avoid operating in these areas of the timber sale.

6 - Safety and Fire Prevention

6.2 - Signing

6.2.1 - Road posting (9/09)

The Purchaser is responsible for posting and maintaining caution signs on Clark, Peacock, Stoll, and Upton prior to beginning operations. The road must be posted at appropriate distances from active sale areas only. Active areas are defined as landings where cut products are being trucked off site, or where harvesting occurs near public roads, parking areas, and cemeteries. This is to warn of logging activity and truck traffic. Signs must be removed when harvest operations are suspended or completed. The Purchaser will provide these signs.

7 - Other Conditions

7.3 - Contract Modifications

7.3.3 - Modification for reforestation (8/05)

When contractual work of Purchaser has been accepted for any Payment Unit identified on Sale Area Map, Payment Unit will be eliminated from the Sale Area on written notice so that reforestation operations can begin.

7.10 - Certified Timber

7.10.1 - Non-certified timber (12/05)

The area encompassed by this timber sale is not certified to the standards of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) or the Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI). Forest products from this sale may not be delivered to the mill as "FSC and / or SFI certified". The lands within this sale are managed as a State Game Area.



TIMBER SALE MAP

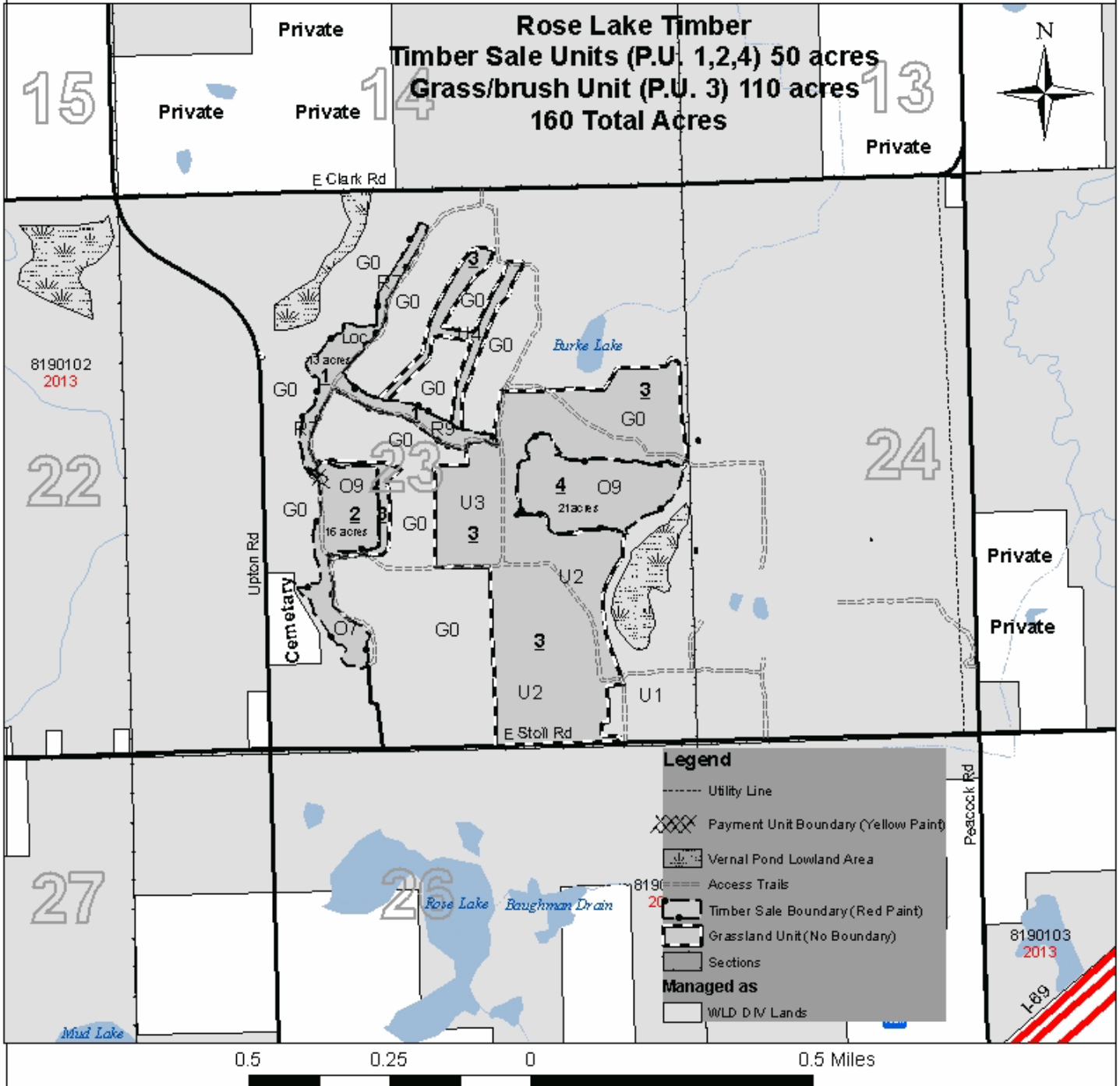
This information provided by authority of Part 525, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

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Forest Management Unit Rose Lake SGA		County Clinton County	Mapped By Jesse Bramer	Date 03/12/2014	Page 1	of 1
Township T05N	Range R01W	Section(s) and Subdivision(s) Sections: 23		Scale 1:15,840		

Cover Type				Density			
A = Aspen	G = Grass	O = Oak	U = Upland Brush	0 = Non Stocked	5 = Pole Timber Medium		
U = Paper Birch	H = Hornbuck	P = Lowland Poplar	V = Bog or Marsh	1 = Seeding Sapling Poor	6 = Pole Timber Well		
C = Cedar	J = Jack Pine	Q = Mixed Swamp Confr.	W = White Pine	2 = Seeding Sapling Medium	7 = Saw Timber Poor		
D = Treed Bog	L = Lowland Brush	K = Red Pine	X = Non Stocked	3 = Seeding Sapling Well	8 = Saw Timber Medium		
E = Swamp Hdwoods	M = Mpl. Bch. Drch	S = Black Spruce	Z = Water	4 = Pole Timber Poor	9 = Saw Timber Well		
F = Spruce Fir	N = Marsh	T = Tamarack	Loc = Locust				



ROSE LAKE TIMBER (25-001-13-01)
T05N, R01W, SEC. 23, Clinton County

In response to the notice of sale to be held 1:00 p.m. (local time) on September 15, 2014, I am hereby submitting my sealed bid (firm offer) for the following forest products to be cut. Bids for individual species must be at or above the advertised price. All non-responsive bid forms may be rejected.

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I understand that any or all bids may be rejected. All bids must be signed and all bid items must be bid or the bid form may be rejected. I also understand that consideration and awarding a contract will be based upon my past performance and ability to complete the contract based upon equipment and staffing subject to my control.

FEDERAL ID: ____ - ____ - ____ or SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: ____ - ____ - ____ Company or individual bidding: _____ Company representative's name: _____ Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

IF AVAILABLE, PLEASE PLACE THE PERSONALIZED LABEL FROM YOUR PROSPECTUS IN THE ABOVE BOX.

Individual or company representative's signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone number : _____ Email (optional): _____

THE WINNING BIDDER MUST COMPLETE THE VERIFICATION OF WORKER'S DISABILITY COMPENSATION ACT COMPLIANCE (ON REVERSE SIDE IF DOUBLE SIDED) WITHIN 21 DAYS OF SALE AWARD DATE



TIMBER SALE

VERIFICATION OF WORKER'S DISABILITY COMPENSATION ACT COMPLIANCE

As required by Act 317, P.A. 1969 (Worker's Compensation) and
Part 525 of Act 451 of 1994, as amended.

FOR DEPARTMENT USE ONLY	
Sale Number (XX - XXX - XX - XX)	
Forest Management Unit:	

VERIFICATION OF WORKER'S DISABILITY COMPENSATION ACT COMPLIANCE

- This verification must be completed and submitted within 21 days of contract award and prior to the issuance of the timber sale contract.
- In addition, if boxes 2B or 2C are checked, then Notice of Exclusion or Certificate of Insurance must be submitted within 21 days of the contract award and prior to the issuance of the timber sale contract.
- All Information must be typed or printed except for written signatures.

Please Check Appropriate Categories:

1. My business is organized as (you **must** check one of the boxes below):
 - A. Sole Proprietorship (individual)
 - B. Partnership
 - C. Corporation
2. You **must** check one of the boxes below:
 - A. I certify that my business is a sole proprietorship and it has no employees but the sole proprietor. I am not subject to the Worker's Compensation Laws.
 - B. I certify that my business has satisfied its obligation to the Worker's Compensation Act through the use of an approved Notice of Exclusion (BWC-337, Rev. 5/96). I will provide a copy of the Notice of Exclusion within 21 days of the contract award. (For questions or a copy of the BWC-337, please call the Worker's Compensation Bureau at 517-322-1195).
 - C. I certify that my business has a Worker's Compensation Policy. I will provide an original Certificate of Insurance within 21 days of the contract award.
3. If you have checked item 2(A) or 2(B), you **must** indicate the number of **both** full-time and part-time employees, other than yourself, including family members and active partners (if none, you must enter "0").

_____ Full-time Employees

_____ Part-time Employees

Name of Business		Federal ID (or) Social Security No.
Address		Telephone ()
City	State	ZIP

I hereby certify that the above information is true and correct. I agree to notify the Michigan DNRE of any changes that occur in factors affecting my coverage during any of my present and future operations.

Signature of Owner or Authorized Representative

Title

Date