

**OFFICE OF CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**Consent Agenda**  
**July 13, 2017**

**OFFICE OF CHILD NUTRITION**

- I. Award competitive contracts to various produce distributors to supply and deliver products to local organizations in the State Food Purchasing Program (Five Regions in the State)

Awarded Vendor: Gulf Coast Produce Distributors, INC.  
Biloxi, MS

Merchants Foodservice  
Hattiesburg, MS

MS Fruit and Vegetable Co.  
Grenada, MS

Scope of Project: Under the State Food Purchasing Program Miss. Code Ann.§ Section 37-11-7(3) and State Board Policy Part 3, Chapter,17, Rule 17.8-Purchasing System, Food Purchasing System for Public Schools, sealed, competitive bids were solicited for distribution on behalf of participating organizations. The contracts were awarded to the lowest and most responsive bidders. The contracts will be issued for a one-year period beginning August 1, 2017, with an optional one-year renewal period. Contractors will deliver the products to participants of the Child Nutrition programs in five regions of the state. Payment will be made directly to the contracted distributor by the local organizations.

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract: August 1, 2017 to July 31, 2018
- Total Amount to be Awarded: No MDE funds will be expended
- Method of Award: Invitation for Bids

Funding Source:

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
Office of Healthy Schools and Child Nutrition  
Produce Bid Recap**

<b>REGION</b>	<b>DISTRIBUTOR</b>	<b>BOTTOM LINE BID TOTAL</b>
3	MS Fruit and Vegetable Co.	\$58,174.71
4	Merchants Foodservice	\$100,226.59
5	Merchants Foodservice	\$95,147.01
6	Merchants Foodservice	\$60,785.60
7	Gulf Coast Produce Distributors, INC.	\$69,688.30