## LAWS OF MARYLAND

- OF THIS TITLE;  $(\pm)$  1. ALL BIDS ARE REJECTED UNDER § 13-206(B)
- AVAILABLE FOR THE PROCUREMENT; OR
- UNIT OR A DESIGNEE, THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER DETERMINES THAT ALL BIDS ARE UNREASONABLE AS TO AT LEAST 1 REQUIREMENT AND THE DELAY THAT WOULD RESULT FROM ISSUING A NEW INVITATION FOR BIDS WITH REVISED SPECIFICATIONS OR QUANTITIES WOULD BE FISCALLY DISADVANTAGEOUS OR OTHERWISE NOT IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE STATE.
- #2) (II) IF THERE IS MORE THAN 1 BIDDER, DISCUSSIONS ABOUT REVISED SPECIFICATIONS OR QUANTITIES SHALL BE CONDUCTED WITH ALL RESPONSIBLE BIDDERS WHO SUBMITTED RESPONSIVE BIDS. THE BIDDERS SHALL BE TREATED FAIRLY AND EQUALLY WITH RESPECT TO ANY DISCUSSIONS.
- +3) (III) AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE, THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER SHALL:
- (#) 1. ISSUE AN INVITATION FOR REVISED BIDS, WHICH SHALL STATE WHETHER THE AWARD WILL BE MADE WITHOUT COMPETITIVE NEGOTIATIONS; AND
- INVITATION. (##) 2. REQUIRE A PROMPT RESPONSE TO THAT
- (4) (IV) AN INVITATION FOR REVISED BIDS IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.
- (5) (V) AFTER REVISED BIDS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED, NEGOTIATIONS WITH BIDDERS MAY NOT BE CONDUCTED UNLESS THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER DETERMINES THAT THERE IS A COMPELLING REASON TO NEGOTIATE.
- 46) (VI) AFTER REVISED BIDS HAVE BEEN OPENED AND ANY APPROVAL REQUIRED BY LAW HAS BEEN OBTAINED, THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER SHALL AWARD THE PROCUREMENT CONTRACT TO THE RESPONSIBLE BIDDER WHO SUBMITS A RESPONSIVE BID THAT:
  - (#) 1. IS THE LOWEST BID PRICE;
- PROVIDES, IS THE LOWEST EVALUATED BID PRICE; OR
- OF THIS ARTICLE, IS THE BID MOST FAVORABLE PINANCIALLY TO THE STATE.