

CITY OF KETCHUM

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Dear Bidder.

Notice of Intent to Award Contract: Request Finance Program Related to Lease/Purchase of 2024 Caterpillar 150 AWD Motorgrader (including Caterpillar Wing)

Thank you for your response to the above reference Finance Program Related to Lease/Purchase of 2024 Caterpillar 150 AWD Motorgrader (including Caterpillar Wing).

This letter is to notify you that the City has reviewed all bids and is recommending the bid be awarded to **Western States Equipment**. Western States Equipment was not considered the lowest apparent bidder, but they were selected as the lowest bidder based on potential future budget action to pay for the motorgrader in full before the full term of the finance program, which would constitute their bid as the lowest cost bidder. In addition, no other bids provided a true decision point on the lease purchase option by having a residual amount at the end of the term.

Any participating bidder has the right to protest this recommendation. Idaho State Statute provides that:

If any participating bidder objects to such award, such bidder shall respond in writing to the notice from the political subdivision within seven (7) calendar days after the date of transmittal of the notice setting forth in such response the express reason or reasons that the award decision of the governing board is in error.

The protest shall be addressed to the Ketchum City Clerk. Any protest addressed to Ketchum City Mayor and/or City Council will be referred to the Ketchum City Clerk.

Thank you for your interest in meeting the needs of the City of Ketchum. Your participation in the process is appreciated.

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