01 NCAC 05B .1402 APPROVAL AND DOCUMENTATION

Although competition may be waived pursuant to Rule .1401 of this Section, its use is required wherever practicable. Where waiver is contemplated, agencies may negotiate with a potential vendor(s) in an effort to acquire the quality of commodity, service or printing needed at the best possible price, delivery, terms and conditions, when the expenditure is less than their respective benchmark or delegation. A solicitation document requesting or inviting an offer(s) shall be issued by the agency, including standard language, terms and conditions issued by the Division of Purchase and Contract. Under an emergency or pressing need situation, a solicitation document requesting or inviting an offer(s) shall be issued by the agency, including standard language, terms and conditions issued by the Division, unless circumstances prohibit their use. Negotiations may also be conducted with a potential vendor(s) for contracts exceeding an agency's benchmark or delegation, but are subject to the conditions of Rule .1518 of this Subchapter, except where otherwise permitted by rule.

History Note: Authority G.S. 143-53;

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. February 27, 1979;

Amended Eff. April 1, 1999; February 1, 1996; July 1, 1987;

Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. July 23, 2016.