March 27, 2014

TO: All Members of the Geoduck Industry and Prospective Bidders

Attached are copies of an Invitation to Bid for the upcoming geoduck auction. Please pay close attention to some important changes and requirements.

NOTICES PERTAINING TO THE April 30th GEODUCK AUCTION

1. Twelve (12) quotas will be auctioned on April 30, 2014. These quotas are located in the Central Sound harvest region at the Manzanita and Restoration Point tracts in Kitsap County, and in the South Sound harvest region at the Wyckoff Shoal tract in Pierce County, and at the Lisabuela tract in King County.

2. The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) continues to recognize there may be potential impacts to purchasers regarding the import restriction that the People’s Republic of China has established for shellfish originating in FAO Catch Area 67. However, this import restriction will no longer provide a basis for refunds for lost opportunity under section 11 of the harvest agreements because this represents a known preexisting market condition that you need to consider prior to bidding at the April 30th, 2014, auction.

3. The quota system to be used for this Harvest Agreement allows for the removal of a designated number of pounds of geoduck clams, not to exceed the Harvest Ceiling, from each harvest area. The geoducks harvested by the Purchaser will be billed at the price per pound listed below:

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4. The award of a contract will be based upon the highest cash bonus bid received from a responsible bidder. A bid deposit of $100,000.00 will be required for each of the quotas. The remainder of the bonus bid, less the deposit, is due no later than May 13, 2014.

5. The term of these Harvest Agreements is June 9, to September 12, 2014.
   - Operations will run from June 9, through July 31, 2014, on the Manzanita and Restoration Point tracts.
   - Operations will run from August 4, through September 12, 2014, on the Wyckoff Shoal and Lisabuela tracts.

*DNR reserves the right to change the harvest dates or duration of harvest and the right to increase or decrease the Harvest Ceiling for a Harvest Area at any time.*

6. Weigh-out will be conducted on the water unless weather conditions make it impractical, in which case the weigh-out will be conducted at the designated off-load site.

7. A bond of at least $60,000.00 shall be in force for each quota.

8. Charges for the removal of geoducks will be billed every two (2) weeks, with payment due within ten (10) business days of the date the bill is sent.

9. The hours of operation shall be from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

10. Harvesting is not allowed on Saturdays, Sundays, or state holidays, as defined by the Washington State Office of Financial Management.

11. Portions of the harvest area may be closed at any time to protect wildlife and other public resources.

12. **Please note** that the shallow water boundary for each tract is as follows: The Manzanita tract is -25 feet (MLLW), the Restoration Point tract is -20 feet (MLLW), the Wyckoff Shoal tract is -18 feet (MLLW), and the Lisabuela tract is -26 feet (MLLW).

   Purchaser shall harvest no geoducks in areas shallower than the depths below mean lower low water as stated above for the respective Harvest Area(s). Regardless of any depth restrictions, vessels conducting operations must remain seaward of a line two hundred yards from and parallel to the ordinary high tide line.

**Maximum Depth Boundary:** Purchaser shall harvest no geoducks located deeper than 70 feet below mean lower low water (0.0 ft.).
The specific rights and obligations of an apparent high bidder that is confirmed as a responsible bidder/harvester are contained in the Harvest Agreement (Agreement). The information herein is a summary of information relating to this auction, and is provided as a matter of convenience. The obligations of the Department of Natural Resources, any bidders, and any person or entity that executes an Agreement are defined by the Agreement and the statutes, regulations, and laws of the State of Washington. Nothing in the Invitation to Bid, in any other written materials, or in any oral statements that might be made, shall supersede the Agreement. Sample copies of the Agreement will be available at the auction or may be requested in advance by contacting DNR’s Aquatic Resources Division, PO Box 47027, Olympia, WA 98504-7027. In the case of any discrepancy, the Agreement will control, and each bidder should review its content in advance of any submission of bids.

**RCW 79.140.060**  
Determination of highest responsible bidder

(1) To determine the "highest responsible bidder" under RCW 79.140.050, the department shall be entitled to consider, in addition to price, the following:

(a) The financial and technical ability of the bidder to perform the contract;
(b) Whether the bid contains material defects;
(c) Whether the bidder has previously or is currently complying with terms and conditions of any other contracts with the state or relevant contracts with entities other than the state;
(d) Whether the bidder was the "highest responsible bidder" for a sale within the previous five years but failed to complete the sale, such as by not entering into a resulting contract or by not paying the difference between the deposit and the total amount due. However, sales that were bid prior to January 1, 2003, may not be considered for the purposes of this subsection (1)(d);
(e) Whether the bidder has been convicted of a crime relating to the public lands or natural resources of the state of Washington, the United States, or any other state, tribe, or country, where "conviction" includes a guilty plea, or unvacated forfeiture of bail;
(f) Whether the bidder is owned, controlled, or managed by any person, partnership, or corporation that is not responsible under this statute; and
(g) Whether the subcontractors of the bidder, if any, are responsible under this statute.

(2) Whenever the department has reason to believe that the apparent high bidder is not a responsible bidder, the department may award the sale to the next responsible bidder or the department may reject all bids pursuant to RCW 79.140.080.

**IN EVALUATING BIDDER RESPONSIBILITY,** DNR will evaluate several factors including, but not limited to:

1. Bidder’s legal competency (including licensing); and
2. Bidder’s actual competency (including financial resources, equipment, prior performance, and proposed Plan of Operation).

The apparent high bidder will be required to provide the following information to DNR ("bidder responsibility information"), all information must be returned in the packet provided packet.

1. **Articles of Incorporation:** by-laws; names of officers and directors; names of shareholders, including percentage of stock owned by each shareholder; names of any entity in which the apparent high bidder has control, the power to control, or substantial financial interest, or which has control over, the power to control, or a substantial financial interest in the apparent
high bidder; and the registered agent.
3. **$25 document processing fee** made payable to DNR
4. **Acceptable Security**, Savings Account or Certificate of Deposit assignment, Bond, or Letter of Credit
5. **Commercial General Liability Insurance Certificate** naming DNR as additional insured
6. **Copy of your Shellstock Shipper’s Certificate issued by the Department of Health**
7. **Copy of your Wholesale Dealer License issued by WDFW**
8. **Copy of your Business License issued by Department of Licensing**
9. **Commercial Liability Insurance Certificate** naming DNR as additional insured for all contractors and sub-contractors
10. **Purchaser’s and subcontractor’s proof of workers compensation (L&I) insurance**, UBI numbers and account numbers, are required
11. **Proposed Plan of Operation** (form provided by DNR), which shall include:
   a) Source and identity of divers, tenders, harvest vessels, and other harvest equipment;
   b) Legal relationship between apparent high bidder and divers and vessel operators (i.e. employee/employer or subcontract) and if by subcontract, subcontractor(s) identity;
   c) Working relationship between and apparent high bidder and employees/subcontractors. Duties of each employee/subcontractor shall be incorporated into this plan;
   d) Harvest, bond, off-load, and vessel moorage information;
   e) The identity of all vehicles used to transport harvested geoducks from the approved off load site;
   f) Steps Purchaser will take to ensure compliance with this Harvest Agreement, by Purchaser, Purchaser’s employees, and subcontractor(s); and
   g) Past experience in underwater seafood harvesting, including past experience in supervising or managing commercial dive operations.

A. A packet containing slots for the above information is provided to the apparent successful high bidders at the end of the auction.

B. **ALL OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS REQUIRED AND WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IF INCOMPLETE**

C. **FAILURE TO RETURN A COMPLETE PACKET MAY RESULT IN A BIDDER NOT BEING CONFIRMED / DEEMED RESPONSIBLE UNDER RCW 79.140.060. THIS COULD RESULT IN FORFEITURE OF THE BONUS BID DEPOSIT.**

Attachments
March 27, 2014

TO:     All Members of the Geoduck Industry and Prospective Bidders

You are invited to test harvest. The next proposed geoduck quota areas to be auctioned are located in the **Central Sound** harvest region at the **Manzanita** and **Restoration Point** tracts in Kitsap County, the **Wyckoff Shoal** tract in Pierce County, and the **Lisabuela** tract in King County.

The Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) makes no representation as to the volumes, quality, grade, or condition of any geoducks on the beds. Bidders must make their own independent appraisal.

DNR will allow test harvesting at the **Manzanita** tract on **April 16, 2014**, at the **Restoration Point** tract on **April 17, 2014**, at the **Lisabuela** tract on **April 22, 2014**, and at the **Wyckoff Shoal** tract on **April 23, 2014**. Test Harvest is from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and is by appointment only.

**Your appointment must be made between 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 8, 2014, and 4:00 p.m., Thursday, April 10, 2014.** No more than **Ten (10) vessels or companies** will be allowed to participate in these test harvests. **Test Harvest registration is on a first-come-first-served basis.** For an appointment or more information, contact the Aquatic Resources Division Geoduck Program at (360) 902-1100, or write to the Department of Natural Resources, Aquatic Resources Division, 1111 Washington St. SE, P.O. Box 47027, Olympia, WA 98504-7027.

The harvest areas are depicted on the attached vicinity maps. Survey information will be available at the time of test harvesting.

The harvest limit is a maximum of **500 pounds per company per tract** for each of the one-day test harvests. A test harvest fee of **$9.00 per pound** is required for all pounds harvested. Payment is to be made at the end of the harvest day, payable to the Department of Natural Resources. No cash will be accepted.

Should the harvester exceed the **500 pound limit**, **$18.00 per pound** will be charged for all geoducks over the limit. **ALL GEODUCKS HARVESTED MUST BE PURCHASED BY THE HARVESTER AT THE TIME OF THE TEST HARVEST. HARVEST VESSELS MUST CHECK IN AND OUT WITH THE STATE VESSEL ON SITE.**

The DNR vessel will be monitoring Channel 8 on VHF marine radio to facilitate contact. Each test harvester will need the appropriate Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife License(s), Wholesale Fish Dealer License, Washington State Business license, vessel insurance, and the appropriate Department of Health Certifications. **Test harvesters will be required to provide proof of these licenses and insurance to the Department of Natural Resources before being allowed to register for the test harvest.** Only one diver at a time will be allowed to test harvest from any one vessel.

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STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
Peter Goldmark  
Commissioner of Public Lands  
Olympia, Washington  

INVITATION TO BID  

Pursuant to RCW 79.135.210, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) hereby announces that rights to harvest geoducks from the following beds will be put up for competitive bid on the stated date.  

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The purpose of DNR’s election to put these rights up for competitive bid is to serve the public’s interest by obtaining the highest price from responsible bidders. DNR, therefore, solicits bid proposals from interested parties. Bidders will bid for the non-exclusive right to go onto the stated area and remove geoducks up to the listed Harvest Ceiling limit.

The terms under which successful bidders are to operate are set out in the Harvest Agreement.
and the laws and regulations of the state of Washington. DNR reserves the right to increase or
decrease the Harvest Ceiling at any time during the Harvest Agreement to ensure that total
pounds harvested from state-owned aquatic lands for the year meet the state’s target sustained
yield, and to ensure that the geoduck industry has an opportunity to harvest the state’s share of
the resource. Purchasers will be notified in writing of any such addition or subtraction of pounds
to the Harvest Ceiling. The state reserves the right to auction additional harvest areas during this
agreement period in order to utilize all of the resource available to the state. The Harvest
Agreement outlines the rights and obligations of the parties regarding changes to the harvest
ceiling. Tribal harvesting could occur before during or after purchasers have harvested their
share of resource from the geoduck tracts.

A. HARVEST AGREEMENTS WILL BE OFFERED BY SEALED BID AUCTION
1. Harvest Agreements will be offered by sealed bid auction. Sealed bids must be accompanied
   by a bid deposit in the form of a money order, certified check, or cashier’s check equal to
   $100,000.00 for each of the quotas.
2. In one envelope, place the following:
   a. The bid form properly filled out and signed.
   b. The bid deposit.
   c. On the outside of this envelope, the words “Geoduck Auction”, the number of the Quota,
      and the name of the Bidder must appear. Mail or deliver to DNR at the address below. If
      the bid is mailed, please indicate on the outside of the envelope “Geoduck Bid, Do Not
      Open.”
3. Bid forms and bonus bid deposits may be delivered to the Aquatic Resources Division, 1111
   Washington St SE, PO Box 47027, Olympia, Washington 98504-7027. The day of the
   auction, bids must be delivered to the location of the auction and submitted by the time of the
   auction.
4. Prior to the first bid opening, DNR will designate the official clock. This clock will be used
   as the official time for all bid openings.

B. BID OPENING
1. Sealed bids will be opened on April 30, 2014, at:

   See above table for bid opening times.

The auctions will be conducted in Room 172 of the Natural Resources Building, at 1111
Washington St SE, Olympia, Washington. See attached map for directions.

Staff will be available from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. to answer questions. However, the
rights and obligations of any party to a Harvest Agreement are defined solely by the terms
of the written Agreement.
C. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The Harvest Agreements will be awarded on the basis of the highest bonus bid from a responsible bidder. In submitting a bonus bid, the bidder is making an offer to enter into a contract with the State for the right to harvest geoduck clams.

2. If the highest bonus bid is made by two or more bidders, the tie will be resolved by having the tie bidders submit additional sealed bonus bids, ("Tie Breaking Bids"). Each Tie Breaking Bid must be greater than or equal to the bid amount that resulted in the tie. The Tie Breaking Bids must be submitted no later than 10 minutes prior to the next auction of the day at which time the Tie Breaking Bids will be opened. In the event of tie bids on the last auction of the day, tie bidders will have 10 minutes following the auction to submit Tie Breaking Bids.

3. DNR reserves the right to waive nonmaterial bid irregularities. DNR's right to waive nonmaterial bid irregularities is purely discretionary, and need not be exercised in every case.

4. All awards are subject to confirmation by the Department of Natural Resources.

5. THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES EXPRESSLY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS.

6. All corporations and limited partnerships must be registered with the Office of the Secretary of State. Failure to comply will result in an unqualified bid.

7. By no later than May 13, 2014, the apparent high bidder must provide DNR with all responsible bidder information described in Part D(3) of this Invitation to Bid, the remaining bonus bid, acceptable security, and proof of required insurance. Failure to provide the required information within this time period will constitute a material defect in the bid under the Responsible Bidder statute, RCW 79.140.060. A $25.00 document processing charge is also due at this time.

8. Within thirty (30) calendar days of the auction, DNR will determine whether to confirm the apparent high bidder as the highest responsible bidder. If DNR, in its sole discretion, determines that the bidder is responsible, and if the other statutory prerequisites to bid confirmation are met, DNR will confirm the bid. Bid confirmation is acceptance of the bidder's offer to enter into a contract.

9. Within five (5) business days of the date the bids are confirmed, the apparent high bidder must provide DNR with the signed and notarized Harvest Agreements. Failure to provide the signed and notarized Harvest Agreements within that time will constitute a breach of contract and bid default. DNR may consider the default in evaluating bidder responsibility for this auction and in future auctions under RCW 79.140.060.

10. DNR has up to five (5) business days to process and sign Harvest Agreements from the time it receives the executed Agreement from the confirmed bidder. No harvesting can take place until the Harvest Agreement has been signed by the Department of Natural Resources' Aquatic Resources Deputy Supervisor or designee.

11. In the event that a bidder is found not to be responsible or defaults on the bid, DNR, at its discretion, may re-auction the quota, or offer the Quota to the apparent second highest bidder. The second highest bidder will be required to supply all bidder information required in Part D(3) below, along with the required bonus bid, security, and proof of insurance within ten (10) days of notification by DNR.
D. EVALUATING BIDS TO DETERMINE THE HIGHEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER

1. DNR will evaluate the bids to determine the highest responsible bidder. In evaluating bidder responsibility, DNR will evaluate several factors including, but not limited to:
   a. Bidder’s legal competency, including licensing
   b. Bidder’s actual competency, including financial resources, equipment, prior performance, and proposed Plan of Operation

2. In the course of evaluating bidder responsibility, DNR shall be entitled to consider any matters that relate to the factors listed in RCW 79.140.060.

3. To assist DNR in evaluating whether the apparent high bidder is the highest responsible bidder, the apparent high bidder will be required to provide the following information to DNR (bidder responsibility information), by no later than May 13, 2014.
   a. The bidder’s articles of incorporation, by-laws, the names of officers and directors, the names of shareholders, including percentage of stock owned by each shareholder, the names of 1) any entity in which the apparent high bidder has control, the power to control, or a substantial financial interest in, 2) any entity which has control over, the power to control, or a substantial financial interest in the apparent high bidder, and 3) the bidder’s registered agent.
   b. The bidder’s most recent financial statement, current balance sheet, and banking reference.
   c. A description of the bidder’s past experience in underwater seafood harvesting, including past experience in supervising or managing underwater commercial dive operations.
   d. The names of the bidder’s purchasers and subcontractors, along with these entities’ UBI numbers and account numbers. Proof of insurance coverage for all harvest vessels is required prior to any harvesting by that vessel.
   e. A copy of the apparent high bidder’s Department of Health Interstate Shippers Certification
   f. A Proposed Plan of Operation (form provided by DNR) which shall include:
      i. The source and identity of divers, tenders, harvest vessels, and other harvest equipment. For each diver, provide a clear, readable, photo copy of his or her driver’s license, and dive license.
      ii. A description of the legal relationship between the apparent high bidder, divers, and vessel operators (i.e., employee/employer or subcontractor). All subcontractors must be fully identified.
      iii. The working relationship between the apparent high bidder and any identified employees/subcontractors. The duties of each employee/subcontractor shall be described and incorporated into the Proposed Plan of Operation.
      iv. All information relating to harvest plans, bonding, off-load points, and vessel moorage must be identified and supplied in the Proposed Plan of Operation.
      v. A list of all steps the apparent high bidder will take to ensure compliance with this Harvest Agreement, by Purchaser, Purchaser’s employees, and subcontractors

A packet containing slots for the above information will be provided to the apparent successful high bidders at the end of the auction. All required information must be submitted to DNR in this
packet and will not be accepted if incomplete. If the apparent high bidder does not provide the above listed items by stated due date, the apparent high bidder shall be deemed non-responsible. **The bid shall be rejected and bid deposit forfeited.**

DNR’s determination regarding the acceptance and confirmation of bids, or of bidder responsibility, shall be a final decision by DNR and the Commissioner of Public Lands, who has delegated such authority pursuant to a formal Designation and Order of Delegation. A bidder’s sole remedy shall be to pursue any timely appeals that may be provided by RCW 79.02.030 or RCW 79.105.160. In no case shall DNR, or its agents, be liable for any claim for damages arising from such determinations.

**Any oral statement by any representative of the state, modifying or changing any conditions of this Invitation to Bid, is an expression of opinion only and confers no rights on to any bidder. In the event of any discrepancies between the Invitation to Bid and the Harvest Agreement, the Harvest Agreement will control. A sample Harvest Agreement will be available at the time of the auction or may be obtained in advance by contacting DNR’s Aquatic Resources Division, PO Box 47027, Olympia, WA 98504-7027.**
Figure 1. Vicinity Map, Restoration Point
Commercial Geoduck Tract #07850

Data Sources:
Projection for data is GCS_Washington Geographic System 1994,
Units: Decimal Degrees. Coastline layer is from DNR. 1: 24,000 scale,
created 09-20-99. Contours are from NOAA soundings.

Map Date: April 27, 2012
Map Author: O. Evening song
File: Data\Geoduck\MERS
Directions to the Natural Resources Building
Olympia, WA
1111 Washington St. SE, Olympia, WA 98504

Southbound:
From I-5 south take exit 105A; follow the "State Capitol" lane which parallels the freeway for ¼ mile.

Northbound:
From I-5 north take exit 105; keep to the left, following the "State Capitol" lane.

At the second traffic light (Capitol Way, the first light after the tunnel), turn right. Turn right again at the next traffic light (11th Ave.). At the next traffic light (Washington St.), turn right once more. Make the first left into the parking lot of the Natural Resources Building. Visitor parking (VP) is available on Level P1 for $0.50/hour.

From the parking level take the elevator to the Lobby. You will exit into the Natural Resources Building Rotunda. Room 172 is to your left.
GEODUCK AUCTION QUOTA
BID FORM
Department of Natural Resources
Aquatic Resources Division
1111 Washington St SE
PO Box 47027
Olympia, WA 98504-7027

ALL BIDS MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY AND LEGIBLY AND SUBMITTED ON THIS FORM

I, ___________________________________________ as authorized bidding agent
(Print FULL NAME of Authorized Agent to Submit Bid)

for ________________________________________, do hereby submit a bonus
(Name of Company)

bid of $_____________________________,
(Bonus Bid Amount to Nearest Dollar) (Please Write Out the Amount you are Bidding)

for the right to harvest geoduck clams, up to the Harvest Ceiling from:

________________________________________
(Name of harvest area and QUOTA number)

The geoduck harvest area as specified in the Invitation to Bid.

I understand that in submitting a bid, I am making an offer to enter into a contract with the State for the right to harvest geoduck clams. If my bid is successful, I must furnish the required bidder responsibility information and the required acceptable performance bond, bid payment, signed Harvest Agreement, and insurance certificate on or before the date(s) specified in the Invitation to Bid. Failure to do so will cause the bid deposit to be forfeited and this bid offer to be rejected and the bidder to be found non-responsible under RCW 79.90.215(1).

April 30, 2014
(Auction Date)

________________________________________
(Name of Agent Authorized to Sign Contract)

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(Name of Company)

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(Signature, Full Name, of Agent Submitting Bid)

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(Address—No PO Box Numbers)

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(UBI Number)

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(City or Province)

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(Phone Number)

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(State, or Country and Zip)

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(FAX Number and/or email address)

Bonus Bid Deposit Check Returned:

Signature of Receiver: ____________________________________________

Date: ____________________________________________