



**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
STATE OF MICHIGAN**

TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #6576

SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME: 11:00 a.m. (local time) on November 26, 2019.

LOCATION: SW REGION-WILD, 621 NORTH 10TH STREET, PLAINWELL, MI 49080.

PROSPECTUS NOTE: The bidder is advised to inspect the sale area and review the location, estimated volumes, operating costs and contract terms of proposed sales. Please be aware that some landowners may request 60 days or more notice for access across their land.

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the Game Area Manager, ROSE LAKE WILDLIFE OFFICE, for certain timber on the following described lands:

White Pine Trail (25-001-19) / T10N, R01W, SEC. 23, E1/2NE,E1/2SE.

T10N, R01W, SEC. 24, W1/2NW,W1/2SW.

Gratiot County, Advertised Price \$28,014.60, 50.2 Acres, Hardwood, Red Pine.

SALE NOTE: Access may be through other public land.

BID INSTRUCTIONS (VER. 07/02/2018):

1. Scheduled Bid Location, Date, and Time (2/11)

Bids must be received by the Unit Manager, PLAINWELL OFFICE, 621 North 10th Street, Plainwell, MI 49080, no later than 11:00 a.m. (local time) on November 26, 2019. For further information concerning this sale, contact Cynthia McQueer at 269-685-9074.

2. Bidder's Qualifications (5/16)

Purchaser shall obtain workers compensation insurance to cover claims under Michigan's Worker's Disability Compensation Act of 1969 or similar employee benefit act of any other state applicable to an employee. If all or part of a timber sale was prepared by a private contractor, the contractor and that contractor's company are not permitted to bid on the timber sale contract. Bids will not be accepted from individuals or companies appearing on the DNR/FRD No-Bid List. This list contains the names of purchasers who previously failed to execute a contract within 21-days or who have a history of poor performance.

3. Preparation of Sealed Bids (5/16)

Bid Forms may be completed online thru Michigan DNR Timber Sale Online Bidding (OLB) at www.michigan.gov/timberbidding or by completing the hardcopy Bid Form found in the Timber Sale Prospectus. Hardcopy Bid Forms shall be manually signed in ink. Registration in OLB is considered your 'signature' for all bids submitted thru that system. Bid prices must be entered for each species and product in the Bid Price column for all material subject to bidding and all fill-in blanks must be completed. If erasures or other changes appear on the hardcopy Bid Form, each erasure or change must be initialed by the person signing the bid.

4. Submission of Sealed Bids (5/16)

Bid forms may be obtained from the Unit Manager or thru OLB. Bids may be submitted hardcopy or thru OLB. All hardcopy bids must be submitted on the bid form and in an envelope clearly identified as described in this section. NOTE: Only one bid form per bid envelope. Sealed bids must be submitted to the Unit office designated in the prospectus and must be submitted at or prior to the time established in the prospectus. The envelope should show on the outside (a) the sale name or number and (b) the date and time of bid opening, as shown in the prospectus. Bids received after the time specified in the sale prospectus are late bids and will be rejected.

It is possible for a bidder to submit multiple bids on a single sale. For example, a bid may be submitted hardcopy and a bid may be submitted thru OLB. Or, two bidders from the same company could both submit bids on the same sale. If this were to happen, the State would accept all bids received and award the contract accordingly. All bidding and contractual requirements would apply to all bids received.

5. Public Opening of Sealed Bids (7/16)

If conditions permit, the sealed bids will be publicly opened and posted at the time and place set in the prospectus.

If a bidder, present at a bid opening, has submitted bids on more than one sale, that bidder may withdraw their unopened bid envelopes or announce the withdrawal of their online bid after being declared the successful bidder on one sale.

6. Award of Contract (1/11)

Award of the contract will be made to the Bidder whose bid, conforming to the prospectus, is most advantageous to the State of Michigan on the basis of total value at rates bid for the estimated quantities. The State reserves the right to reject any bid or waive any minor irregularity in bids received. A written award mailed (or otherwise furnished) to the successful Bidder shall be deemed to result in a binding contract without further action by either party.

7. Down Payment (1/11)

The Bidder to whom award is made must make a down payment within 21 days of the sale award. The amount of the down payment will be calculated as shown in the Bond and Payment Schedule of this prospectus. Only cash may be used to meet this requirement.

8. Performance Security (1/11)

As guarantee of faithful performance, a cash bond, certificate of deposit, surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit (LOC) is required within 21 days of the sale award. The amount of the performance security is shown in the Bond and

Payment Schedule of this prospectus. If an LOC or surety is used, the coverage must extend for at least 6 months beyond the contract expiration.

9. Timber Sale Contract (7/18)

Additional conditions and requirements common to all timber sales are listed on the timber sale contract (R4031) and are available on line at www.michigan.gov/timber. Contact the Unit Manager for additional information or a sample contract. Within 21 days of the date of the award letter, the bidder must sign the contract and provide the required down payment, performance security, and verification of worker's disability compensation. The down payment and performance security shall be in accordance with the provisions of the timber sale contract, in the sums stated in this prospectus. If these actions are not taken, then the Bidder, the Bidder's corporation, and the corporation's principals may not be permitted to bid on State timber sales for a period of 3 months after the first offense, 6 months after the second offense, and 1 year after the third offense. An offense will only be counted against the Bidder for 5 years. In addition, the Bidder certifies that if awarded this contract, the Bidder will complete the timber sale contract in accordance with its terms and any modifications thereof including requirements to purchase, cut, and remove the included timber by the expiration date.

Payment Unit values in the State Forest Timber Sale Contract are calculated based on the advertised value of the Payment Unit as a percentage of the total advertised value of the contract. The advertised value of each Payment Unit is given in the Description of Timber by Payment Unit table on the Timber Sale Information page. For example, if the value of Payment Unit 1 is advertised as \$1,500 and the total Timber Sale value is advertised as \$10,000, the contract price for Payment Unit 1 will be 15% of the total bid price ($\$1,500/\$10,000 * 100$).

10. Disclaimer of Estimates and Bidder's Warranty of Inspection (7/16)

Before submitting this bid, the Bidder is advised and cautioned to inspect the sale area, review the requirements of the sale contract, and take other steps as may be reasonably necessary to ascertain the location, estimated volumes, construction estimates, and operating costs of the proposed sale. Failure to do so will not relieve the Bidder from responsibility for completing the contract.

The Bidder warrants that this bid is submitted solely on the basis of the Bidder's examination and inspection of the quality and quantity of the timber offered for sale and the Bidder's opinion of the value thereof and the costs of recovery. No reliance should be placed on the State of Michigan's estimates of timber quality, quantity or costs of recovery. Bidder further acknowledges that the State of Michigan: (i) expressly disclaims any warranty of fitness of timber for any purpose; (ii) offers this timber as is without any warranty of quality (merchantability) or quantity and (iii) expressly disclaims any warranty as to the quantity or quality of timber sold.

11. Certification and Chain-of-Custody (10/14)

Unless otherwise indicated in the contract under section 7 – Other Conditions of the Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements, the area encompassed by this timber sale is certified to the standards of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) - Certificate #SCS-FM/COC-00090N and the Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) - Certificate #NSF-SFIS-5Y031-SF5. Forest products from this sale may be delivered to the mill as "FSC 100% and / or SFI certified" as long as the contractor hauling the forest products is chain-of-custody (COC) certified or covered under a COC certificate from the destination mill. The purchaser is responsible for maintaining COC after leaving the sale area.

12. Good Neighbor Authority (GNA) Requirements (7/16)

If the name of this timber sales contains the acronym GNA, it is authorized by the Good Neighbor Authority (GNA) and covered by various agreements between the U.S. Forest Service and the State. The timber sale occurs on federal land and the following conditions apply:

GNA contracts on US Forest Service land will not be awarded to purchasers on the Federal list of excluded parties. The System for Award Management (SAM) will be checked for active excluded parties prior to award of contract. In addition, the Bidder to whom award is made must complete an Assurance Regarding Felony Conviction or Tax Delinquent Status for Corporate Applicants (AD-3031).

13. Good Neighbor Authority (GNA) Requirements, con't (9/16)

Bidder certifies, by signing this bid form, that to the best of Bidder's knowledge that the following representations are accurate and complete.

- a. That the Bidder and its principals are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntary excluded from timber sales (covered transactions) by any Federal department or agency.
- b. That the Bidder and its principals have not within a 3-year period preceding this bid been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.
- c. That the Bidder and its principals are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph b of this certification.
- d. That the Bidder and its principals have not within a 3-year period preceding this bid had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for breach or default of a timber or forest product contract.

Bidders that cannot certify this requirement, in whole or in part, shall submit an explanation with their bid.

DAN EICHINGER
Director

TIMBER SALE INFORMATION

White Pine Trail (25-001-19)
 T10N, R01W, SEC. 23; T10N, R01W, SEC. 24.
 Gratiot County (Advertised Price \$28,014.60)

SALE NOTE: Access may be through other public land.

A timber sale contract for this lump sum, sealed bid timber sale will be awarded to the responsible bidder offering the highest sealed bid price. Bids must be at or above the following advertised price for each species:

<u>PRODUCTS & SPECIES</u>	<u>ESTIMATED UNITS*</u>	<u>ADVERTISED PRICE</u>
Sawtimber		
B. T. Aspen	15.00 MBF	\$ 33.00 / MBF
Red Maple	33.30 MBF	\$ 31.00 / MBF
Red Oak	32.80 MBF	\$ 278.00 / MBF
Red Pine	43.90 MBF	\$ 117.00 / MBF
White Oak	14.60 MBF	\$ 56.00 / MBF
Pulpwood		
B. T. Aspen	154.00 Cords	\$ 16.55 / Cord
Mixed Oak	226.00 Cords	\$ 10.25 / Cord
Red Maple	304.00 Cords	\$ 11.45 / Cord
Red Pine	110.00 Cords	\$ 27.90 / Cord

* The total volume is statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 20.25 percent. The estimated units are final and not subject to adjustment. Prospective bidders are urged to examine this timber and to make their own estimates of quantity and quality.

BOND AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

- A bond in the amount of \$1,401.00 to insure faithful performance of the conditions of the contract will be deposited by the successful bidder within 21 days of the sale award.
- Cutting in any sale or unit without the required advance payment would be considered a trespass.
- Total payment must be paid in advance or according to the following schedule:
 - Ten percent (10%) of the sale value must be paid within 21 days of the sale award.
 - The remainder is due before cutting begins.
 - Payment for each of the following units must be made before cutting begins in that unit:

PAYMENT UNIT NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL SALE VALUE
01	100.0%
- If no cutting takes place, the 10% down payment will not be refunded.
- Operations on the contract issued will terminate on 09/15/2021.

Description of Timber by Payment Unit (PU)

PU	MARKET GROUP	PRODUCT	QUANTITY	UNIT	ACRES	ADVERTISE PRICE
1	B. T. Aspen	Sawtimber	15.0	MBF	50.2	\$28,014.60
	Red Maple		33.3	MBF		
	Red Oak		32.8	MBF		
	Red Pine		43.9	MBF		
	White Oak		14.6	MBF		
	B. T. Aspen	Pulpwood	154.0	Cords		
	Mixed Oak		226.0	Cords		
	Red Maple		304.0	Cords		
	Red Pine		110.0	Cords		
TOTAL:			139.6	MBF		
TOTAL:			794.0	Cords		

Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: White Pine Trail

Sale Number: 25-001-19 Seq#: 1

1 - Sale Area

1.2 - Boundaries

1.2.1 - Painted boundaries (9/19)

The sale boundary is marked and identified by red paint.

2 - Timber Specifications

2.1 - Included Timber

2.1.4 - Designated timber unit(s) (6/17)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1, red pine, scotch pine, jack pine, red maple, and aspen trees that are two (2) inches or more DBH are designated for cutting. In addition, all trees marked with green paint above and below stump height are designated for cutting.

2.2 - Utilization

2.2.1 - Utilization (2/04)

All listed board foot volumes of sawlog size products in this contract have been determined using a top diameter inside bark of 10 inches.

2.2.3 - Stump heights (4/07)

Stump heights within the Sale Area shall not exceed 12 inches for trees greater than 10 inches DBH and 4 inches for trees smaller than 10 inches DBH. A written waiver of this requirement may be obtained if wet summer weather makes winter logging necessary.

2.2.4 - Skidding length (2/14)

Skidding of unlimbed tops is not permissible.

2.3 - Log Rule

2.3.1 - Log rule (12/08)

All board foot volumes of sawlog size products in this contract have been determined by the International ¼ Inch Log Rule.

4 - Transportation

4.1 - Construction

4.1.12 - No new roads (1/12)

No new roads will be permitted. All operations are limited to existing roads. Skid trails only will be allowed.

4.2 - Maintenance

4.2.1 - Hauling restriction (12/08)

Hauling may be restricted on forest roads by the Unit Manager or his/her representative. The restriction may occur during wet weather and soft soil conditions.

4.2.5 - Two wheel drive condition (2/04)

All existing trail roads on and adjacent to the sale area must be passable by two-wheel drive traffic for the duration of the sale.

4.4 - Access

4.4.3 - Access gate (12/08)

The access gate at the parking lot must be locked at all times. This is to prevent someone other than the Purchaser from going through the gate and being locked in.

5 - Operations

5.2 - Conduct of Operations

5.2.1 - Slash

5.2.1.11 - Slash for reforestation (5/07)

To facilitate reforestation, the sale area shall be left with slash evenly distributed. Bunched tops within the cutting area shall be broken up and scattered. Stumps shall be cut low to the ground. Processing sites shall not be left with a compacted layer of slash; tops from these sites shall be hauled back into the cut area and scattered.

5.2.2 - Hazard Trees/Snags

5.2.2.1 - Den trees (10/16)

Obvious hollow and/or den trees shall be protected and left standing unless they are a safety hazard.

5.2.3 - Operating Restrictions

5.2.3.2 - Operating restrictions (9/11)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1, unless changed by written agreement, cutting, skidding, and hauling are limited to the periods of July 15 to September 15 and December 1 to March 1. This restriction is because of the extremely low, wet ground in the area and to keep harvest operations to dry or frozen ground conditions.

5.2.4 - Dead and Down Creation

5.2.4.4 - Dead and down creation, grouse (6/18)

To encourage grouse and other wildlife, in Payment Unit(s) 1, leave one, 10" diameter or larger log-length (8 foot minimum) piece on the ground for every 3 acres. These trees will be evenly scattered throughout the unit, at least two chains from the trail, any openings, and low areas where water seasonally pools.

5.2.32 - Decking/landing restoration (9/13)

All decking and landing areas must have the surface area restored to a condition equal to or better than before. This is to ensure the proper regeneration of the stand. Wood debris, chips and "cookies" from trimmings must be removed or scattered away from landing and loading areas and may not be windrowed on the edge.

5.2.38 - No decking against live trees (2/04)

Cut products may not be decked against unmarked or designated leave trees.

5.4 - Soil Protection

5.4.1 - Rutting restriction, general (7/16)

Operations are to cease immediately if equipment and weather conditions result in rutting of roads and/or skid trails which is 12 inches or greater in depth and 50 feet in length. The Unit Manager or his/her representative may restrict hauling and/or skidding if ruts exceed the specified depth. With the Unit Manager or his/her representative's approval, the Purchaser may return to the area when the risk of rutting has decreased.

5.4.5 - Soil caution (11/04)

Care must be taken to minimize soil damage due to wet soils.

5.4.6 - Wet area protection (5/10)

No harvesting operations, including skidding and felling, are to take place within the 'L0' within the sale area, which is shown on the Timber Sale Map. All equipment, trees and tops should be kept out of this area. Care must be taken by the Purchaser to identify and avoid operating in these areas of the timber sale.

5.8 - Protection of Endangered Species

5.8.5 - Protection of raptor nests (3/13)

All trees with raptor nests will be protected if found during harvesting operations. Notification will be made to the Unit Manager or his/her representative who will notify the Wildlife Biologist so an on-site evaluation and recommendation can be made, if necessary.

6 - Safety and Fire Prevention

6.2 - Signing

6.2.1 - Road posting (9/09)

The Purchaser is responsible for posting and maintaining caution signs on E. Buchanan Road prior to beginning operations. The road must be posted at appropriate distances from the sale area to warn of logging activity and truck traffic. Signs must be removed when harvest operations are suspended or completed. The Purchaser will provide these signs.

7 - Other Conditions

7.10 - Certified Timber

7.10.1 - Non-certified timber (2/16)

The area encompassed by this timber sale is not certified to the standards of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) or the Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI). Forest products from this sale may not be delivered to the mill as "FSC and / or SFI certified". The lands within this sale are managed as a State Game Area.



Sale Number	Year
25-001	19

TIMBER SALE MAP

This information provided by authority of Part 525, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

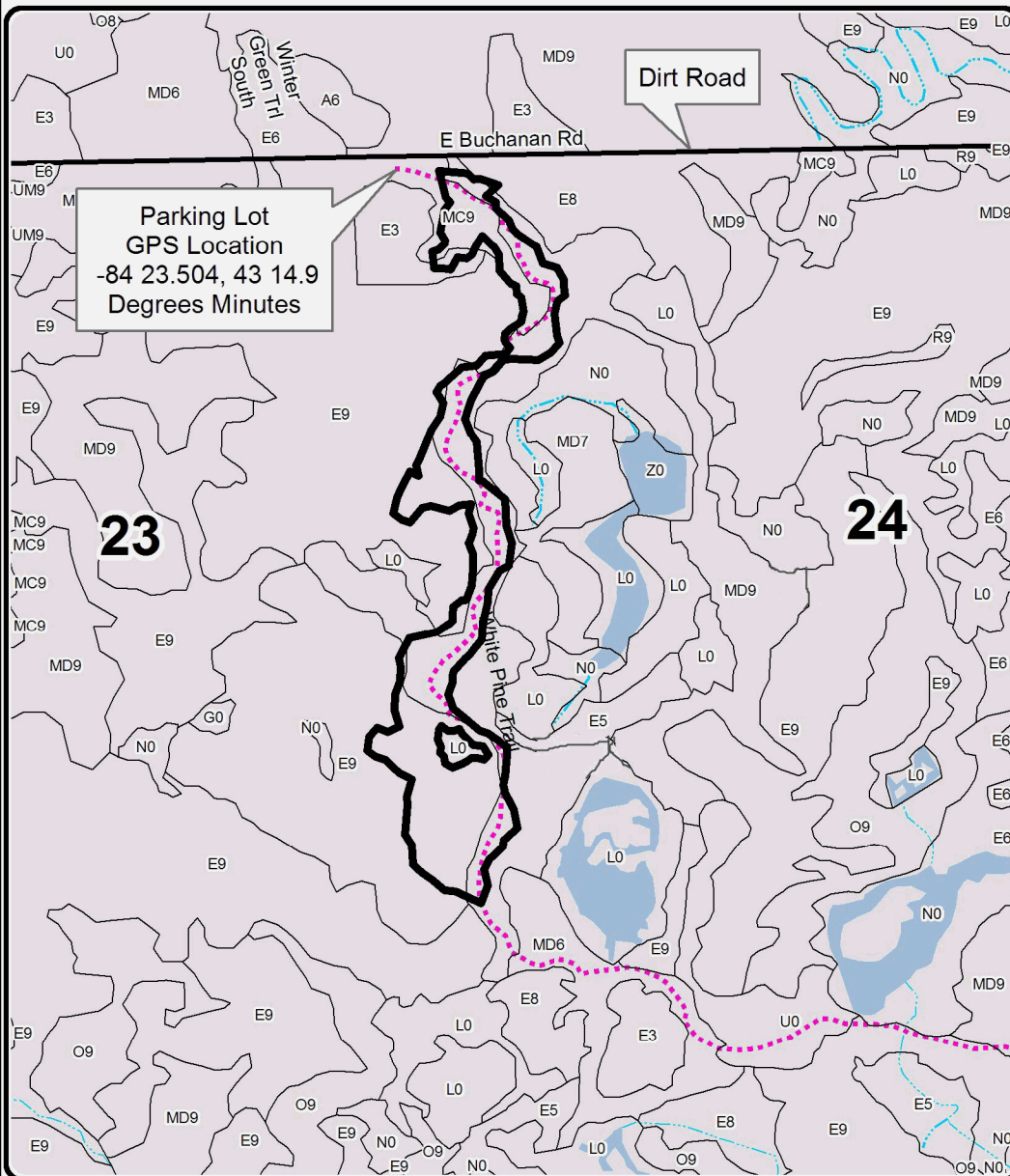
Forest Management Unit Rose Lake	County Gratiot	Mapped By Jesse Bramer	Date 09/27/2019	Page 1	of 1
Township 10N	Range 01W	Section(s) and Subdivision(s) Sections 23 & 24	Scale 1:15,840		

Cover Type				Density	
A = Aspen	H = Hemlock	N = Marsh	U = Upland Brush	0 = Non Stocked	5 = Pole Timber Medium
B = Paper Birch	J = Jack Pine	O = Oak	UM = Upland Mixed	1 = Seedling Sapling Poor	6 = Pole Timber Well
C = Cedar	L = Lowland Brush	P = Lowland Poplar	V = Bog or Marsh	2 = Seedling Sapling Medium	7 = Saw Timber Poor
D = Treed Bog	LM = Lowland Mixed	Q = Mixed Swamp Conifer	W = White Pine	3 = Seedling Sapling Well	8 = Saw Timber Medium
E = Swamp Hdwoods	M = Mpl, Bch, Brch	R = Red Pine	X = Non Stocked	4 = Pole Timber Poor	9 = Saw Timber Well
F = Spruce Fir	MC = Mixed Conifer	S = Black Spruce	Z = Water		
G = Grass	MD = Mixed Deciduous	T = Tamarack			

White Pine Trail

Compartment 4

50.2 Acres

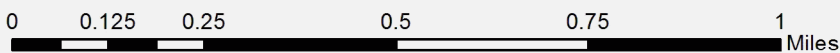


Legend

- Sale Boundary (Red Paint)
- Stand Boundaries
- Road
- Intermittent Stream
- Perennial River
- Lakes and Rivers
- State Game Area



QR Code opens map in Avenza App



White Pine Trail (25-001-19)
T10N, R01W, SEC. 23; T10N, R01W, SEC. 24; Gratiot COUNTY

In response to the notice of sale to be held 11:00 a.m. (local time) on November 26, 2019, I am hereby submitting my sealed bid (firm offer) for the following forest products to be cut. Bids for individual species must be at or above the advertised price. All non-responsive bid forms may be rejected.

<u>PRODUCTS & SPECIES</u>	<u>ESTIMATED VOLUME*</u>	<u>ADVERTISED PRICE</u>	<u>BID PRICE/UNIT</u>
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I understand that any or all bids may be rejected. All bids must be signed and all bid items must be bid or the bid form may be rejected. I also understand that consideration and awarding a contract will be based upon my past performance and ability to complete the contract based upon equipment and staffing subject to my control.

FEDERAL ID: _____ or SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: _____

Company or individual bidding: _____

Company representative's name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

IF AVAILABLE, PLEASE PLACE THE PERSONALIZED LABEL FROM YOUR PROSPECTUS IN THE ABOVE BOX.

Individual or company representative's signature: _____ Date: _____
Phone number : _____ Email (optional): _____

THE WINNING BIDDER MUST COMPLETE THE VERIFICATION OF WORKER'S DISABILITY COMPENSATION ACT COMPLIANCE (ON REVERSE SIDE IF DOUBLE SIDED) WITHIN 21 DAYS OF SALE AWARD DATE

