

## **NOTICE AND REQUEST FOR BID**

A Request For Bid (RFB) is being issued by the Morgan County Commission (MCC) which is located in Berkeley Springs in the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia.

The purpose of the RFB is to obtain bids for the sale of the assets of Morgan County War Memorial Hospital and its related operations and construction of a new hospital. The bids will be reviewed by the MCC with the expectation that the Successful Bidder will purchase the assets of Morgan County War Memorial Hospital, subsequently obtain a license to operate the hospital at its current location, and then build and operate a new hospital on a new campus to serve the citizens of Morgan County, West Virginia, and the surrounding communities. The plans for the new hospital are nearing the conclusion of the design development phase. As a requirement of the RFB, the new hospital would be substantially completed by December 31, 2011. Upon completion of the sale of the assets as described in the RFB and related documents, the MCC will be completely divested of the Morgan County War Memorial Hospital and related assets, and have no further ownership interest therein.

The MCC, pursuant to West Virginia Code §§ 7-3-3, 8-33-4 and related statutes, is initiating the process of obtaining bids from interested parties who have a proven and successful track record of providing hospital and related healthcare services to rural communities. The Successful Bidder will construct, own and operate a new Critical Access Hospital and Nursing Home in Morgan County, West Virginia. The Bidder will also lease the current facility and substantially maintain current hospital operations and related services as required by U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services ("CMS") and other applicable guidelines until the new hospital is occupied. The Successful Bidder must demonstrate past performance in obtaining all required permits and regulatory approvals that are necessary to be issued by the respective governmental agencies for both the operation of the current hospital and the construction and operation of the new hospital as set forth in the RFB.

For further information, or to obtain an RFB, visit the county website at <http://www.morgancountywv.info> or email Bill Clark, Bid Coordinator, at [MCEDA@earthlink.net](mailto:MCEDA@earthlink.net).

All bids must be submitted in accord with the RFB and received by the MCC on or before 2:00 P.M. ET on September 15, 2008.