



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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GOVERNOR

EUGENE A. CONTI, JR.  
SECRETARY

July 25, 2012

Cason Companies, Inc.  
dba Carolina Mulch Plus  
Attn: John Gould  
203 W. King Street  
East Flat Rock, NC 28726

**Re: Award Letter**

Contract ID: DN11147080  
TIP: N/A  
Federal Aid: N/A  
WBS: 35474014  
County: Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Jackson, Haywood, Henderson, Macon, Polk,  
Swain, Transylvania  
Location: Various  
Description: Mechanical Application of Mulch  
Bid Opening: July 24, 2012

Dear Mr. Gould:

Carolina Mulch Plus is the lowest responsible bidder for the above reference contract. In accordance with the contract document proof of liability insurance of five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) and workers compensation insurance must be submitted to this office by Tuesday, August 7, 2012.

The contract availability date for the contract is January 1, 2013. Failure to meet the above deadlines does not justify extension of the contract completion date. The contract will be administered from the Roadside Engineer's Office in Sylva, North Carolina. After receipt of the certified copy of the executed purchase order contract, please contact Mr. Richard Queen at (828) 631-0272 to inform him of when you intend to begin work and arrange for any pre construction conference. All pay requests and any other forms required by the contract will be submitted to his office at 253 Webster Road, Sylva NC 28779.

*Fourteenth Division Office*

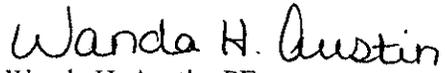
Phone: (828)586-2141

253 Webster Road, Sylva, North Carolina 28779

Fax: (828)586-4043

Thank you for your desire to do business with North Carolina Department of Transportation. Should you have any questions about the above requirement, please contact me at (828) 586-2141.

Sincerely,



Wanda H. Austin, PE  
Proposals Engineer