

States: Prices fixed on drugs

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BOSTON — Attorneys general from more than 40 states are alleging that the nation's largest generic drug manufacturers conspired to artificially inflate and manipulate prices for more than 100 generic drugs, including treatments for diabetes, cancer and arthritis.

The lawsuit, filed in federal court in Connecticut on Friday, also names 15 senior executives responsible for sales, marketing and pricing.

Connecticut Attorney General William Tong, a Democrat, said investigators obtained evidence implicating 20 companies.

"We have hard evidence that shows the generic drug industry perpetuated a multi-billion-dollar fraud on the American people," Tong said.

"We have emails, text messages, telephone records and former company insiders that we believe will prove a multistate conspiracy to fix prices and divide market share for huge numbers of generic drugs."

The investigation had uncovered a primary reason why the cost of health care, and specifically generic prescription drugs, has been so high, Tong said.

The surging prices of prescription drugs have drawn the attention of a number of politicians across the political spectrum from President Donald Trump to liberal Democratic presidential hopeful Sen. Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts.

The lawsuit was the second that has been filed in the investigation. The first, filed in 2016, named 18 corporate defendants and two individual defendants. Two former drug company executives entered into settlement agreements and are cooperating with the attorneys general in the investigation.

A spokesman for one of the companies named in the lawsuit, Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, a wholly owned subsidiary of Israeli-based Teva Pharmaceuticals Industries, said Teva hasn't engaged in any conduct that would lead to civil or criminal liability.

"The allegations in this new complaint, and in the litigation more generally, are just that — allegations," Kelley Dougherty, a Teva vice president, said in a statement Saturday. "The company delivers high-quality medicines to patients around the world and is committed to complying with all applicable laws and regulations in doing so."

Investigators said the drugs covered in the lawsuit account for billions of dollars of sales in the U.S. The lawsuit was filed by 43 states and Puerto Rico, with Connecticut taking the lead in the investigation.

The lawsuit says the companies sought to "significantly raise prices on as many drugs as possible." To accomplish this goal, the lawsuit says, Teva selected a core group of competitors with which it already had "very profitable collusive relationships" and developed understandings to lead and follow each other's price increases.

The lawsuit is asking for a finding that the defendants' actions violated federal and state antitrust and consumer protection laws, and it is seeking a permanent injunction preventing the companies from continuing the conduct.

The lawsuit also seeks reimbursement of profits and damages to be paid to state agencies and consumers who were harmed.

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The Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) invites bids to "Replace Primary Distribution System" at the **Wynne Unit** located in **Huntsville, Texas**. A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at **2:00 P.M. on May 15, 2019** at the project site. For additional information contact the Contract Administrator **Michelle Chesnut** at (336) 437-7114 or **michelle.chesnut@tdcj.texas.gov**. Bid Documents can be purchased at a cost of \$60.00 (Sixty Dollars, non-refundable) per set, inclusive of mailing/delivery costs, or they may be viewed at various plan rooms. Payment checks for documents should be made payable to the Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) invites bids to "Install High Voltage Transformer" at the **Ferguson Unit** located in **Milwau, Texas**. A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at **10:00 A.M. on May 15, 2019** at the project site. For additional information contact the Contract Administrator **Michelle Chesnut** at (336) 437-7114 or **michelle.chesnut@tdcj.texas.gov**. Bid Documents can be purchased at a cost of \$60.00 (Sixty Dollars, non-refundable) per set, inclusive of mailing/delivery costs, or they may be viewed at various plan rooms. Payment checks for documents should be made payable to the Multi-Zellers, Inc.

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INVITATION FOR BID - Project No. CFMO19-ENG (C-14) Sealed bids must be received by the Texas Military Department not later than **3:00 P.M. Central Time, Tuesday, June 18, 2019** at Camp Mabry, 37 Austin, Texas 78703 for the **Residential Center Indoor Firing Range Lead Assemblage Project** located at 3000 Gulf Freeway, La Marque, TX 77566. A Pre-Bid site visit will be held at **1:00 P.M. Tuesday, May 21, 2019** at the **La Marque Residential Center, 3000 Gulf Freeway, La Marque, TX 77566**. Required bid documents are available at <http://tceq.texas.gov/bids>.

INVITATION FOR BID - Project No. CFMO19-ENG (C-15) Sealed bids must be received by the Texas Military Department not later than **3:00 P.M. Central Time, Tuesday, June 18, 2019** at Camp Mabry, Building 37, Austin, Texas 78703 for the **Residential Center Indoor Firing Range Lead Assemblage Project** located at 2020 Wallace Wehring Road, Rosenberg, TX 77471. A Pre-Bid site visit will be held at **1:00 P.M. Wednesday, May 22, 2019** at the **Residential Center, 2020 Wallace Wehring Road, Rosenberg, TX 77471**. Required bid documents are available at <http://tceq.texas.gov/bids>.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR TEXAS CITY PARK & RIDE - ADMINISTRATION FACILITY CONSTRUCTION FOR THE GULF COAST CENTER
Notice is hereby given that the Gulf Coast Center of Texas City, Texas, is soliciting proposals for construction of a Park & Ride facility including parking lot, terminal facility, administration building and a Texas City Emergency Operations Center. The Gulf Coast Center will hold a non-negotiable Pre-Proposal Meeting on Thursday, May 16, 2019, 10:00 AM at the City of Texas City, TX 77590. Bids will be available in electronic form at the following link: <https://gulfcoastcenter.org/news/connect>. Interested vendors shall submit the proposals to the Gulf Coast Center no later than 10:00 AM on Monday, June 3, 2019. The proposals may be submitted by U.S. Mail, Certified or Registered U.S. Mail, or by hand to: **Ena C. Director of Fixed Assets and Purchasing Gulf Coast Center**
4205 E. Loop East, Suite 77991
Texas City, Texas 77591
Respondent bears the risk of late delivery. No solicitation information or data disclosure, postage or contact on Contract Transmittal is provided at 1-800-264-3220, 409-945-0800 or connect@gulfcoastcenter.org.

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The Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) invites bids to "Replace Leadlight System" at the **Byrd Unit** located in **Huntsville, Texas**. A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at **2:00 P.M. on May 15, 2019** at the project site. For additional information contact the Contract Administrator **Michelle Chesnut** at (336) 437-7114 or **michelle.chesnut@tdcj.texas.gov**. Bid Documents can be purchased at a cost of \$60.00 (Sixty Dollars, non-refundable) per set, inclusive of mailing/delivery costs, or they may be viewed at various plan rooms. Payment checks for documents should be made payable to Stanley Consultants, Inc.

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By and through its Broker of Record, Customized Real Estate Services (CRES), Bakerfilet Properties, a non-profit law services organization, is soliciting Request for Proposal (RFP) #19-019 in search of a long-term lease for its community services program in the Gulfport Southshore area of Harris County, Texas. Specific Market Location: Rookin Area. The lease requires include a Lease Effective Date of approximately August 1, 2019 and a Lease Term of either one (1) year with two (2) options to renew for one (1) year each. Brokerage commissions to be included on all transactions will be paid by the selected Landlord upon lease execution. The RFP will be posted on the Bakerfilet website at: <https://www.bakerfilet.org/about/leases/> on **May 20, 2019**. Interested parties can submit a proposal to lease@bakerfilet.org.

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The deadline for submitting a proposal is **May 31, 2019**. BAKERFILET ENCOURAGES SUBMITTERS TO REQUEST UNDECLARATED BUSINESSES TO APPLY

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas (METRO) is planning to issue the procurement documents listed in this advertisement. **RFP No. 40190000071**: For Banking Services. Solicitation will be available on or after **05/15/2019** at **10:00 A.M.** **RFP No. 4019000103**: For Repair and Maintenance of METRO's Submersible Lift Pumps. Solicitation will be available on or about **05/15/2019**. Prospective bidders/proposers can view and download these solicitations by visiting METRO's website at www.metrohouston.org/procurement or by calling METRO at (713) 739-4884. If you are unable to download the documents or having difficulty, please contact METRO Plan and Bid Room at (713) 739-4884.

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The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Houston District will hold a public meeting to solicit input on an access management project for Farm-to-Market (FM) 1488 from Interstate Highway 45 (I-45) to FM 1461. The public meeting will be held on Thursday, May 23, 2019, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., at the Mitchell Intermediate School Cafeteria, 6800 Allen Bridge Drive, The Woodlands, TX 77380. The meeting will be held in an open house format where the public may come and go at their convenience and provide input. Public information will be available to answer questions; no formal presentation is planned.

The purpose of access management is to provide vehicular access to land development in a manner that preserves the safety and integrity of the transportation system. The study aims to identify short-, medium-, and long-range measures to reduce crashes, improve FM 1488 Access Management, connectivity, and support existing and future development.

Maps of the study corridor and exhibits will be available at the public meeting. The solicitation is a design-build project. TxDOT's Public Information Office (PIO) is located at 14007 F. Public Information Office at (713) 502-5022 or email pio@txdot.gov. The public is encouraged to visit the project website at tillson.txdot.gov and searching FM 1488 Access Management. Written comments may be submitted at the meeting by mail to the TxDOT Houston District Office, Public Information Office, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, TX 77251-1386, or electronically to fm1488-accessmanagement@txdot.gov. Please reference Project No. 0623-12-548. Written comments must be postmarked or submitted electronically by Friday, June 7, 2019.

Materials for the public meeting will be provided in English. Persons interested in attending the meeting should contact the PIO for registration or accommodation needs, or require an interpreter, are encouraged to contact TxDOT's Public Information Office at (713) 502-5022. Requests should be made at least five days prior to the public meeting. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate these needs.

SEAL OF PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY PROCUREMENT SERVICES, POST OF HOUSTON AUTHORITY EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING, 11 EAST LOOP NORTH, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002 UNTIL, FIVE (5) P.M. MAY 13, 2019, FOR THE FOLLOWING: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SUPPORTING THE NON-CONTAINERIZED (GENERAL) CARGO MARKET FORECAST & TOWNSHIP'S ASSESSMENT. A PRELIMINARY MEETING WILL BE HELD FOR THIS PROCUREMENT AT THE PROPOSED BUILDING, 180 LOUISIANA STREET, SUITE 200, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002 ON MAY 13, 2019 AT 10:00 A.M. MAY 13, 2019. INTERESTED PROPOSERS MAY ASK QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE PROCUREMENT. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS PROCUREMENT, PLEASE CONTACT THE VENDOR REGISTRATION AND PROPOSAL PROCESSING DIVISION AT (713) 775-4000 FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

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May 13, 2019

Solicitud de Consultorios y Asesoría de Audiencia Pública
Programa del Año 2018 del Condado de Harris
Desempeño Anual Consolidado e Informe de Evaluación

El Desempeño Consolidado Anual e Informe de Evaluación (CAPER) del Año 2018 (FY2018) estará disponible al público el 27 de Mayo del 2019 a las 10:00 a.m. en la oficina de Departamento de Servicios Comunitarios del Condado de Harris (HCCSD). 8400 Lantier Point Drive, Houston, Texas, 77054. HCCSD proveerá acomodaciones razonables para personas con discapacidades especiales y otros conocimientos del idioma inglés (LEP). La audiencia pública se llevará a cabo en inglés, sin embargo, intérpretes en lenguaje de señas estarán disponibles para personas con discapacidades. Las solicitudes deben ser recibidas por el personal de CAPER en HCCSD 48 horas antes de la audiencia pública. Para obtener más información o ayuda, por favor de llamar a Jannet Spates al 3355-192-4095.

Consultorio Público
El CAPER FY2018 estará disponible de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. en la oficina de HCCSD y en nuestra página web: <http://www.hccsd.org/annual-report>. Por favor de proporcionar los comentarios antes del 27 de Mayo del 2019, 5:00 p.m. a: Jannet Spates, Gerente de Planificación, Departamento de Servicios Comunitarios del Condado de Harris, 8400 Lantier Point Drive, Houston, Texas, 77054, (832) 921-4725.

KIPP Texas, Inc. is seeking Job Order Contract (JOC) in Austin, Dallas, Houston, and San Antonio for the following: 3) Site Utilities and Earthwork; 4) Mechanical; 5) Fire Alarm; and 1) Request for Qualifications for Mechanical Engineer at CMAA. The JOCs are being issued by KIPP Texas, Inc. in Austin, JOC proposals (electronic) to CABid@KIPPTexas.org and CMAA to KIPPTexas@CMAA.com. All proposals must be received by KIPP Texas, Inc. by May 29 - May 30, 2019. All bid documents will be available at: www.KIPPTexas.org/Competition. Late proposals will not be evaluated. KIPP reserves the right to reject any or all proposals or to waive any or all irregularities.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE EXCLUSION OF CERTAIN LANDS FROM KATY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1

Notice is hereby given that Katy Management District No. 1 (the "District") will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 22, 2019, at 11:00 a.m., at the offices of the City of Katy, 501 Austin, Katy, Texas 77493, outside the boundaries of the District, for the following purpose:

CONDUCT HEARING ON EXCLUSION OF CERTAIN LANDS FROM KATY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1

All interested property owners have the right to present petitions for exclusion of land or other property for consideration in support of the petitions and the right to contest the proposed exclusion based on either a petition or the board's own conclusion and to offer evidence in support of the contest.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

/s/Donald P. Cox
President, Board of Directors

/s/Doyce Callender
Asst. Secretary, Board of Directors

The Houston Housing Authority (PHA), is soliciting sealed bids with the intent to establish a fixed price contract with the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to perform all the necessary construction-related work needed to rehabilitate the exterior of Oxford Place Apartments, in accordance with the requirements and terms and conditions specified in IFB 19-20 Exterior Repairs of Oxford Place Apartments.

Interested parties are highly encouraged (but not required), to attend a pre-bid conference scheduled for **10 A.M. CDT May 15, 2019, at Oxford Place Apartments, 605 Berry Road, Houston, Texas 77057**.

Interested parties who wish to respond to this solicitation must submit the required documents in a sealed envelope by 4 P.M. CDT, June 5, 2019. Houston Housing Authority (PHA) Attn: Kevin M. Colman, M.S., C.P.M., Subject: IFB 19-20 Exterior Repairs of Oxford Place Apartments DO NOT OPEN 6404 Fourteen View Drive Houston, Texas 77057.

IFB 19-20 can be obtained by going to the doing business with HHA section of HHA's website at www.housingauthorityhouston.com, or by sending an e-mail to HHA's Procurement Dept. at Procurement@housingauthorityhouston.com with IFB 19-20 in the subject line.

A Fair and Equal Employment Opportunity Agency. For assistance: Individuals with disabilities may contact the SOA/ADA Administrator at 713-260-0528, TTY 713-260-0574 or SOAADA@housingauthorityhouston.com.

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