## NOTICE OF SALE DATED MAY 30, 2025

### MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 15 (Gray and New Gloucester, Maine) \$2,390,000 2025 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received by Maine School Administrative District No. 15 (the "District", "MSAD 15" or the "Issuer") at the office of Moors & Cabot, Inc. (the "Municipal Advisor"), One Federal Street, 19th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts until:

## 11:00 O'CLOCK A.M. (E.D.S.T.) TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2025

at which time and place all such proposals will be publicly opened and announced for the sale of \$2,390,000 2025 General Obligation Bonds (the "Bonds") of the District. The Bonds will be payable as follows:

<b>Amount</b>	Nov. 1,	<b>CUSIP</b>	<b>Amount</b>	Nov. 1,	<b>CUSIP</b>
\$160,000	2026	807280AX0	\$160,000	2034	807280BF8
160,000	2027	807280AY8	160,000	2035	807280BG6
160,000	2028	807280AZ5	160,000	2036	807280BH4
160,000	2029	807280BA9	160,000	2037	807280BJ0
160,000	2030	807280BB7	160,000	2038	807280BK7
160,000	2031	807280BC5	155,000	2039	807280BL5
160,000	2032	807280BD3	155,000	2040	807280BM3
160,000	2033	807280BE1			

This Notice of Sale sets forth only a brief summary of certain provisions of the Bonds. For additional information pertaining to the Bonds, a prospective bidder should refer to the District's Preliminary Official Statement dated May 30, 2025 with respect to the Bonds (the "Preliminary Official Statement"). In the event of any conflict between the Preliminary Official Statement and this Notice of Sale, the Preliminary Official Statement shall control.

The Bonds will be dated June 26, 2025 and will be issued only as fully-registered bonds without coupons, one certificate per maturity, and, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company, New York City, New York ("DTC" or the "Securities Depository"). DTC will act as the securities depository for the Bonds. Purchases of the Bonds will be made in bookentry form, in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, and will bear interest (accrued on the basis of a 360-day year with twelve 30-day months), payable on November 1, 2025 and semi-annually thereafter on May 1 and November 1 of each year until maturity, or redemption prior to maturity.

Bonds maturing on or before November 1, 2036 are not subject to redemption prior to their stated dates of maturity. Bonds maturing on or after November 1, 2035 are subject to redemption prior to their stated dates of maturity, at the option of MSAD 15, on and after November 1, 2036, as a whole or in part at any time, in such order of maturity as MSAD 15, in its discretion, may determine, at a price of par (100% of the principal amount to be redeemed), together with interest accrued and unpaid to the redemption date, if any ("Optional Redemption").

It is expected that the Bonds will be available for delivery at DTC on or about June 26, 2025.

The Bonds will be issued by means of The Depository Trust Company's Book-Entry-Only System with no physical distribution of Bond certificates made to the public. One Bond certificate for each maturity will be issued to DTC and immobilized in their custody. The Book-Entry Only System will be employed, evidencing ownership of the Bonds in principal amounts of \$5,000 and will bear interest, with transfers of ownership effected on the records of DTC and its Participants pursuant to rules and procedures established by DTC and its Participants. The winning bidder (the "purchaser"), as a condition to delivery of the Bonds, shall be required to deposit the Bond certificates with DTC, registered in the name of Cede & Co. Principal of and interest on the Bonds will be payable in Clearing House Funds to DTC or its nominee as registered owner of the Bonds. Transfer of principal and interest payments to participants of DTC will be the responsibility of DTC. Transfer of principal and interest payments to Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of such Participants and other nominees of Beneficial Owners. The District will not be responsible or liable for maintaining, supervising, or reviewing the records maintained by DTC, its Participants or persons acting through such Participants.

The original Bond certificates to be immobilized at DTC will be reviewed by U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, Boston, Massachusetts, Paying Agent, and their legality approved by Drummond Woodsum & MacMahon, Portland, Maine, Bond Counsel to the District ("Bond Counsel"), whose opinion will be furnished to the purchaser without charge. The form of such opinion is set forth in the Preliminary Official Statement.

Bonds are valid general obligations of MSAD 15 and, unless paid from other sources, are payable as to both principal and interest from ad valorem taxes which may be levied without limit as to rate or amount upon all the property within the territorial limits of the Issuer (which territory includes the towns of Gray, Maine and New Gloucester, Maine (the "Member Municipalities")) and taxable by it, except to the extent that a Member Municipality may enter into an agreement under Title 30-A, Chapter 223, Subchapter 5 of the Maine Revised Statutes, to share its assessed valuation with another municipality; and except to the extent that a Member Municipality establishes or has established development districts either as tax increment financing districts or affordable housing development districts pursuant to Title 30-A, Chapter 206 and former (now repealed) Chapter 207 of the Maine Revised Statutes, as amended, the captured tax increment of which may not be available for payment of debt service on the Bonds. Both Member Municipalities have established certain tax increment financing districts and elected to retain a portion of the tax increment on the captured assessed value of the property in the districts to pay costs of the economic development projects and programs described in the development programs adopted with respect to such districts. Within the limits established by statute, a municipality has the right to designate additional development districts pursuant to Title 30-A, Chapter 206 of the Maine Revised Statutes, as amended. Officials of the Member Municipalities will certify that no agreements under Chapter 223, Subchapter 5 of the Maine Revised Statutes now exist. The opinion will indicate that the enforceability of the obligations of the Issuer, including the Bonds, are subject to and may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, moratorium and other laws affecting the rights and remedies of creditors generally, and are subject to general principles of equity. The opinion will be dated and given on and will speak as of the date of original delivery of the Bonds to the original purchasers.

## The Bonds will be designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

There is no litigation, threatened or pending, affecting the validity of the Bonds, the corporate existence or the boundaries of the District, or the title of the present officers to their respective offices, and the purchaser or purchasers will be furnished with a certificate to this effect.

#### **Bid Specifications**

Bids must specify the amount bid for the Bonds, not less than all of the par value of the issue and:

- Must state in a multiple of one-eighth (1/8) or one twentieth (1/20) of one per centum (1%) the rate of interest per annum which the maturity of the Bonds are to bear;
- *No Original Issue Discount*: Pursuant to Title 20-A, §1490(2)(A) of the Maine Revised Statutes, no Bond may be initially sold at less than par (individual maturities of Bonds may not be priced at a discount);
- **Serial Bonds:** Bonds will be issued as Serial Bonds and no proposal to consolidate any maturities will be considered;
- *Minimum Bid:* A minimum bid of 102.257876% (or Bid Premium of \$54,000.00) of the issue amount, to provide funds to pay for costs of issuance, is required;
- Additional Bid Premium: Additional bid premium ("Additional Bid Premium"), if any, may be used at the pleasure of the District to pay capitalized construction period interest, to reduce the amount of Bonds issued to finance the Projects, or to apply to the costs of the Project;
- Should the District apply Additional Bid Premium to reduce the amount of bonds issued the District will apply the same percentage amount of "underwriters spread per thousand" to the reduced issue amount;
- The original purchaser must also pay an amount equal to the interest on the Bonds accrued to the date of delivery, if any; and
- A "Good Faith" deposit is not required.

As between proposals which comply with this Notice, the Bonds will be sold to the bidder whose proposal offers to purchase all of the Bonds at the lowest True Interest Cost ("TIC"), that is, the annual interest rate, compounded semiannually, which when used to discount **to the June 26, 2025 delivery date** all payments of principal and interest payable on the Bonds results in an amount equal to the purchase price for the Bonds including accrued interest to the date of delivery but which will include any premium bid thereon. The TIC should be computed to four decimal places. Bids must be submitted:

- (a) In a sealed envelope marked "Proposal for Bonds" and addressed to Maine School Administrative District No. 15, c/o Moors & Cabot, Inc. Banking & Advisory Group, One Federal Street, Boston, MA 02110:
- (b) Although telephone bids will not be accepted by the District, the Municipal Advisor will prepare sealed bids as agent for the bidder, per telephone instructions received at (617) 314-0258 *prior to sale time on Tuesday, June 10, 2025.* The Municipal Advisor shall not be responsible for any errors or omissions in connection with bids submitted as agent on behalf of any bidder.

The Municipal Advisor may be contacted as follows:

Joseph P. Cuetara, Senior Vice President Moors & Cabot, Inc. – Banking & Advisory Group One Federal Street Boston, MA 02110 jcuetara@moorscabot.com

(c) Via FACSIMILE copy to the Municipal Advisor at (617) 314-0258 received not later than sale time on Tuesday, June 10, 2025; or

(d) Electronically via i-Deal<sup>SM</sup> *PARITY*<sup>®</sup> in accordance with this Notice of Sale, until 11:00 A.M. (E.D.S.T.), but no bid will be received after the time for receiving bids specified above. To the extent any instructions or directions set forth in *PARITY*<sup>®</sup> conflict with this Notice of Sale, the terms of this Notice of Sale shall control. Each bidder submitting an electronic bid understands and agrees by doing so that it is solely responsible for all arrangements with *PARITY*<sup>®</sup>, that the District neither endorses nor encourages the use of *PARITY*<sup>®</sup>, and that *PARITY*<sup>®</sup> is not acting as an agent of the District. Instructions and forms for submitting electronic bids must be obtained directly from *PARITY*<sup>®</sup>. For further information about *PARITY*<sup>®</sup>, potential bidders should contact Dalcomp at 1359 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, New York 10018, telephone (212) 849-5021.

The District assumes no responsibility for ensuring or verifying bidder compliance with  $PARITY^{\$}$  procedures. The District shall be entitled to assume that any bid received via  $PARITY^{\$}$  has been made by a duly authorized agent of the bidder. The District, the Municipal Advisor and Bond Counsel assume no responsibility for any malfunction of the  $PARITY^{\$}$  system, any failure of a bid to be received at the official time, or any error contained in any bid submitted electronically. The official time for receipt of bids will be determined by the District at the place of bid opening, and the District shall not be required to accept the time kept by  $PARITY^{\$}$  as the official time. In the event of a malfunction of the  $PARITY^{\$}$  system, bidders should submit their bids as discussed in the above (a), (b) or (c) manner on the OFFICIAL BID LETTER attached hereto.

The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals and to accept or reject any proposal not complying with this Notice of Sale, and, so far as permitted by law, to waive any irregularity or informality with respect to any proposal. A final decision as to the award of the bid rests with and is subject to written confirmation by the Treasurer of the District. When the successful bidder has been ascertained, the District will notify such bidder.

The District has not contracted for the issuance of any policy of municipal bond insurance for the Bonds. If the Bonds qualify for issuance of any such policy or commitment therefore, any purchase of such insurance or commitment shall be at the sole option and expense of the bidder and any increased costs of issuance or delivery of the Bonds resulting by reason of such insurance shall be paid by such bidder. Proposals shall not be conditioned upon the issuance of any such policy or commitment and any failure of the Bonds to be insured or of any such policy or commitment to be issued shall not in any way relieve the purchaser of their contractual obligations arising from the acceptance of their proposal for the purchase of the Bonds.

The Municipal Advisor intends to provide the purchaser of the issue with CUSIP identification numbers as is discussed in the Preliminary Official Statement, in compliance with MSRB Rule G-34, (a)(i) (A)-(E). As is further discussed in Rule G-34 the purchaser, as the "dealer who acquires" the issue is responsible for the registration fee to the CUSIP Bureau for this service. It is anticipated that CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on the Bonds. All expenses in relation to the printing of CUSIP numbers on the Bonds will be paid for by the District, provided, however, that the District assumes no responsibility for any CUSIP Service Bureau charge or other charges that may be imposed for the assignment of such numbers.

Additional information concerning the District and the Bonds is contained in the Preliminary Official Statement dated May 30, 2025, which has been distributed and to which prospective bidders are directed. Such Preliminary Official Statement is provided for informational purposes only and is not a part of this Notice of Sale. A copy of the District's Preliminary Official Statement dated May 30, 2025 may be obtained by contacting: Moors & Cabot, Inc. – Banking & Advisory Group, One Federal Street, Boston, MA 02110; or by telephone at (617) 314-0258.

The Preliminary Official Statement is in a form "deemed final" by the District for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(1) but is subject to revision, amendment and completion in a final Official Statement.

The District agrees to advise the purchaser, by written notice, of any developments that impact the accuracy and completeness of the key representations (within the meaning of SEC Rule 15c2-12) contained in the final Official Statement, which may occur during the period commencing on the date of the acceptance by the District of its proposal and ending on the 90th day next following such date of acceptance, unless such final Official Statement is available from the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, in which event such period shall end on the 25th day.

In order to assist bidders in complying with Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the District will undertake to provide annual reports and notices of certain material events on a timely basis. A description of this undertaking is set forth in APPENDIX E of the Preliminary Official Statement.

A pdf word-searchable electronic version of the final Official Statement will be prepared and distributed for this issue at the District's expense within seven (7) business days after the date of the award of the Bonds. If desired, the purchaser will be furnished up to 100 copies of the final Official Statement prepared for this issue at the District's expense within seven (7) business days after the date of the award of the Bonds. Additional copies may be obtained by the purchaser at its own expense by arrangement with the printer.

The District will rely upon the purchaser to file a completed DTC Eligibility Questionnaire and the MSRB Form G-36(OS) and to effect the electronic filing of the final Official Statement to *http://emma.msrb.org/submission* as the purchaser's responsibility. U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Paying Agent, will keep the original opinion and certificates and copies of the supporting documents which may be examined at its office in Boston, Massachusetts, upon reasonable notice.

As of the date of delivery of the Bonds and as a condition precedent to the delivery of the Bonds by the District, the successful bidder shall furnish to the District a certificate in a form provided by and acceptable to Bond Counsel (the "Issue Price Certificate"). The Issue Price Certificate shall state that it is made on the best knowledge, information and belief of the successful bidder after appropriate investigation. The Issue Price Certificate shall set forth:

- (i) The "issue price" of the Bonds as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.148-1(f);
- (ii) The weighted average maturity of the Bonds as defined in the Internal Revenue Service's "Instructions for Form 8038-G" for Line 21(d);
- (iii) The yield of the Bonds (sometimes referred to as the arbitrage yield) as defined in the Internal Revenue Service's "Instructions for Form 8038-G" for Line 21(e); and
- (iv) If a municipal bond insurance policy or similar credit enhancement is obtained with respect to the Bonds by the successful bidder, such bidder will also be required to certify as to the net present value savings on the Bonds resulting from payment of insurance premiums or other credit enhancement fees.

#### **Further Discussion of Issue Price Certificate.**

Competitive Sale Requirements Met. If the competitive sale requirements set forth in Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1(f)(3)(i) (defining "competitive sale" for purposes of establishing the issue price of the Bonds) are satisfied, the Issue Price Certificate will establish the issue price of the Bonds under Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1(f)(2)(iii). To that end, the Municipal Advisor will certify to the successful bidder that the following conditions are true:

- (1) The District has disseminated this Notice of Sale to potential underwriters in a manner that is reasonably designed to reach potential investors;
- (2) All bidders had an equal opportunity to bid;
- (3) The District received bids from at least three underwriters of municipal bonds who have established industry reputations for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds; and
- (4) The District awarded the sale of the Bonds to the bidder who submits a firm offer to purchase the Bonds at the highest price (or lowest interest cost), as set forth in this Notice of Sale.

Any bid submitted pursuant to this Notice of Sale shall be considered a firm offer for the purchase of the Bonds, as specified in the bid and each bidder, by submitting its bid, agrees that it shall be deemed to confirm that it has an established industry reputation for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds and that is an "underwriter" that intends to reoffer the Bonds to the public.

Competitive Sale Requirements Not Met. If the competitive sale requirements set forth in Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1(f)(3)(i) are not satisfied, the District shall so advise the winning bidder. If such competitive sale requirements are not met, the Issue Price Certificate will establish the issue price of the Bonds under Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1(f)(2)(i), as follows:

- (i) The District shall treat the first price at which 10% of a maturity of the Bonds (the "10% test") is sold to the public as the issue price of that maturity, applied on a maturity-by-maturity basis (and if different interest rates apply within a maturity, to each separate CUSIP number within that maturity). The winning bidder shall advise the District if any maturity of the Bonds satisfies the 10% test as of the date and time of the award of the Bonds. The District will not require bidders to comply with the "hold-the-offering-price rule" and therefore does not intend to use the initial offering price to the public as of the sale date of any maturity of the Bonds as the issue price of that maturity. Bids will not be subject to cancellation in the event that the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied. Bidders should prepare their bids on the assumption that all of the maturities of the Bonds will be subject to the 10% test in order to establish the issue price of the Bonds.
- (ii) Until the 10% test has been satisfied as to each maturity of the Bonds, the winning bidder agrees to promptly report to the District and the Municipal Advisor the prices at which the unsold Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the public. That reporting obligation shall continue, whether or not the closing date has occurred, until the 10% test has been satisfied as to all Bonds. The successful bidder shall be obligated to report each sale of Bonds to the Municipal Advisor until notified in writing by the District or the Municipal Advisor that it no longer needs to do so.

Moors & Cabot, Inc. has acted as Municipal Advisor to the District with respect to the issuance of the Bonds pursuant to Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board Rule G-23. Moors & Cabot, Inc. does not intend to submit a bid on, or participate in an underwriting syndicate for the public distribution of, the Bonds.

It is expected that the Bonds, in definitive form, will be available for delivery on or about June 26, 2025, against payment of the purchase price in Federal Reserve funds payable to the order of "Maine School Administrative District No. 15", and will be delivered to The Depository Trust Company, New York City, New York.

May 30, 2025

Chanda Turner Treasurer

Maine School Administrative District No. 15

# PROPOSED FORM OF BID LETTER MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 15

### (Gray and New Gloucester, Maine) \$2,390,000 2025 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

Sale Date: June 10, 2025

Chanda Turner, Treasurer
Maine School Administrative District No. 15
c/o Moors & Cabot, Inc.
Banking & Advisory Group
One Federal Street
Boston, MA 02110

#### Dear Treasurer:

In accordance with the provisions of the Notice of Sale dated May 30, 2025, which Notice is hereby made a
part of this proposal, we offer to purchase \$2,390,000 2025 General Obligation Bonds of MSAD 15 at par and
accrued interest, if any, to date of delivery plus a premium of \$(*), which represents a TIC of
principal amount:

	Due	Interest		Due	Interest
<b>Amount</b>	<b>Nov. 1</b> ,	Rate	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Nov. 1</b> ,	Rate
\$160,000	2026	%	\$160,000	2034	%
160,000	2027	<u></u>	160,000	2035	%
160,000	2028		160,000	2036	%
160,000	2029	<u></u>	160,000	2037	%
160,000	2030	<u></u>	160,000	2038	<u></u> %
160,000	2031		155,000	2039	%
160,000	2032	<sub>0/0</sub>	155,000	2040	%
160,000	2033				

NOTE: (\*) Only bids of at least 102.257876% (Bid Premium of > \$54,000.00) will be accepted.

The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of the Preliminary Official Statement dated May 30, 2025 referred to in the Notice of Sale dated May 30, 2025, and the terms thereof are expressly made a part of this bid.

SUMMA	ARY	Respectfully submitted,		
Summary made as requested				
from delivery date of June	26, 2025:	(Company) (DTC #)		
Total Interest Expense	\$	(By)		
(Less Premium)	_(\$			
Net Total Interest Expense	\$	(Address)		
-		( )		
True Interest Rate (TIC)	%	(Telephone)		

Moors & Cabot, Inc. of Boston, Massachusetts will assist in the submitting of bids on this issue. Please mail your signed bid form in advance and telephone or send via facsimile final figures before the sale time. Telephone: (617) 314-0258; Facsimile: (617) 314-0258.

<sup>(#)</sup> Pursuant to Title 20-A, §1490(2)(A) of the Maine Revised Statutes, no Bond may be priced less than par (individual maturities of Bonds may not be priced at a discount).