SUMMARY STATEMENT

ITEM NO. | SUBJECT: Procurement and Delivery of Flatbed Truck with Knuckleboom Loader and Hi-Rail Gear

COMMITTEE: Operations & Maintenance

COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: October 15, 2008

BOARD ACTION DATE: November 19, 2008

PROPOSAL: That the Board authorizes staff to negotiate a contract with Aspen Equipment Company for the purchase of One (1) flatbed truck and knuckleboom loader with hi-rail gear.

Amount: $275,275.27

Contractor: Aspen Equipment Company
9150 Pillsbury Avenue
Bloomington, MN 55420

Other Bidders: Frank Taraglia, Inc.: No Bid
Dejana Truck: No Bid
Dueco, Inc: No Bid

PURPOSE: To provide a flatbed truck with knuckleboom loader to be used for scheduled and unscheduled track and wayside emergency repairs, rail and wayside equipment removal and replacement, concrete tie handling, way side debris and vegetation removal, material handling of all types with hi-rail and on road capability.

BACKGROUND: The 2008 Capital Budget includes funds for the purchase of a new flatbed truck and knuckleboom loader for PATCO. The flatbed truck with knuckleboom loader will be used for scheduled and unscheduled track and wayside emergency repairs, rail and wayside equipment removal and replacement, concrete tie handling, way side debris and vegetation removal, material handling of all types.

Bids were publicly advertised for the purchase and delivery of a new and unused model year 2007 or better flatbed truck with knuckleboom loader with inclusive pricing for various options, delivery and training. Bid documents were mailed to seventeen (17) prospective bidders, and four (4) responses were received.
An advertisement was also posted on the DRPA’s website. The low bid was submitted by Aspen Equipment Company in the amount of $275,275.27.

It is recommended that a contract be negotiated for the purchase of a flatbed truck with knuckleboom loader with Aspen Equipment Company of Bloomington, MN in the total amount of $275,275.27. Upon approval of the Board, a contract will be negotiated with Aspen Equipment Company to provide the flatbed truck with knuckleboom loader.

**SUMMARY:**

- **Amount:** $275,275.27
- **Source of Funds:** 1999 Revenue Bonds/General Funds
- **Capital Project #:** PF09019
- **Operating Budget:** N/A
- **Master Plan Status:** N/A
- **Other Fund Sources:** Federal Transit Administration 80% ($220,220.22), DRPA 20% ($55,055.05) of PF08018
- **Duration of Contract:** N/A
- **Other Parties Involved:** Federal Transit Administration
RESOLUTION

RESOLVED: That the Board authorizes staff to negotiate a contract with Aspen Equipment Company of Bloomington, Minnesota, to purchase a Flatbed Truck with Knuckleboom Loader and Hi-Rail Gear in the amount of $275,275.27; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Chair, Vice Chair and the President must approve and are hereby authorized to approve and execute all necessary agreements, contracts, or other documents on behalf of the PATCO. If such agreements, contracts, or other documents have been approved by the Chair, Vice Chair and President and if thereafter either the Chair or Vice Chair is absent or unavailable, the remaining Officer may execute the said document(s) on behalf of PATCO. If both the Chair and Vice Chair are absent or unavailable, and any agreement or agreements need to be executed during their absence, then the President may execute such documents on behalf of PATCO.

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