

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY

INFORMATIONAL REPORT

DECISION ON

CONTRACT AWARD FOR REFRIGERATED BOX TRUCK

MAY 9, 2011

Background Information:

On behalf of Food and Nutrition Services, the Purchasing Department is requesting approval to award a contract to Hickory International, Inc., 1704 Conowingo Road, Bel Air, MD 21014, in the amount of \$120,828.00 to purchase a 26 foot refrigerated box truck. One (1) vehicle was offered as a trade-in.

Discussion:

Food and Nutrition Services has requested a replacement for the existing truck, which is approximately 15 years old with mileage in excess of 126,000. This truck is used for daily deliveries of frozen goods to each school. Bid notifications were sent to six companies. Bid documents were posted on the HCPS website, ASBO website and E-Maryland Marketplace. Responses were received from three companies as follows:

Bidder	Tandem Axle Refrigerated Truck	Trade-Ins	Total
Beltway International	\$ 131,575.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 124,075.00
Central Truck Center, Inc.	\$ 142,556.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$138,056.00
Hickory International	\$ 128,328.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 120,828.00

Competitive bids were opened on April 27, 2011. Bid responses were reviewed collaboratively by the Purchasing Agent and the Director of Transportation and his team member. Purchasing recommends award to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Hickory International, Inc. The vendor is in compliance with all terms, conditions and specifications of the bid.

Funding for this purchase is from the 2011-2012 Food and Nutrition Services budget.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the award of the contract to Hickory International, Inc., based on the bid results indicated above.