

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY**

**INFORMATIONAL REPORT**

**DECISION ON CONTRACT AWARD FOR FACILITY MRO (MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND OPERATIONS), INDUSTRIAL AND BUILDING SUPPLIES WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, SUPPLIES AND SERVICES**

**MAY 10, 2021**

Background Information:

The Purchasing Department, on behalf of the Facilities Department, is requesting a decision to approve the use of a national contract through Sourcewell, formerly National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA), with W.W. Grainger, Inc. located at 100 Grainger Parkway, Lake Forest, Illinois 60045.

The total annual expenditure is expected to be in excess of \$100,000. The contract will be utilized on an as-needed basis. For any single purchase exceeding \$100,000, board approval will be requested.

Discussion:

This contract is utilized for facility maintenance, repair, and operations. The contract covers industrial supplies; tools, equipment, and accessories; electrical power transmission and supplies; mechanical power transmissions; pneumatics and fluid power; electrical and lighting products and services; plumbing supplies and waterworks; and construction and building supplies. This contract is a “catalog” style format, whereby complete manufacturers’ catalogs are pre-listed and priced in their entirety, with suppliers pricing the catalog documents at a percentage-off-list price. Pricing with W.W. Grainer, Inc. has been established as a 6% - 40% catalog discount per category.

The contracting vehicle for this agreement is Sourcewell, formerly National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA), RFP #121218 Facility MRO (Maintenance, Repair & Operations), Industrial and Building Supplies with Related Equipment, Accessories, Supplies and Services.

The funding source for these services is from the Facilities Operating Account.

Superintendent’s Recommendation:

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve piggybacking the Sourcewell, formerly National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA), RFP #121218 with W.W. Grainger, Inc.

This contract is effective through January 25, 2023, with the option to renew one (1) additional year.