

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Recommendation of \$500,000 or Greater 15-001R-HVAC-R & Cooling Tower Equipment

This request is to approve the recommendation to extend Bid 15-001R for one year and additional spend authority of \$2,800,000 until June 30, 2017.

On May 20 2014, the Board approved Bid 15-001R HVAC-R and Cooling Tower Equipment with spend authority of \$5,000,000 from July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2016. Physical Plant Operations uses this bid to purchase replacements for failing HVAC equipment.

The HVAC-R & Cooling Tower Equipment bid is used to replace major pieces of HVAC equipment across the District when repair of such equipment is no longer economically feasible or possible. Items included in this bid are: air and water-cooled chillers, cooling towers, packaged and direct-expansion systems, heat pumps, and other major HVAC components. This demand is originated in PPO Department.

Because these are long-lead items which are ordered as needed, units are not typically stored but rather are installed upon receipt or after final preparation (additional protective coatings or other customization required to meet project requirements). Funding for this Bid will come from the PPO Capital Budget unless the replacement is identified in the SMART initiative, in which case funding will come from the SMART budget for the affected school.

Ten (10) vendors originally submitted bids; two (2) were Minority/Women Business Enterprise vendors, certified with Broward County Public Schools. Two of the original vendors did not confirm their intention to renew the bid for an additional year, but because the purchasing through those vendors has been less than 5% of the total spend (approximately 95% is currently purchased from vendors that have confirmed their intention to renew for another year). Approximately 65% of the purchasing is from an M/WBE who has confirmed renewal.

On this bid, we committed to materials for essential repairs, primarily in schools, for \$497,008 beyond the previously approved spending authority. We are still building tools to automate monitoring of PPO requests. Meanwhile, we have instituted manual processes to ensure that all expenditures are monitored on all bids to avoid these situations