



# RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES

## Board Memorandum

**BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**

**DATE:** APRIL 23, 2018

**ITEM NO:** 8

**SUBJECT:** AWARD BID NO. 7534 TO RACEWAY FORD, INC. OF RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA FOR THE PURCHASE OF FIVE NEW MODEL YEAR, FORD F350 E85 FLEX FUEL POWERED SUPER CAB TRUCKS FOR THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ELECTRIC PRODUCTION AND OPERATIONS DIVISION IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$218,446.38

**ISSUE:**

Award Bid No. 7534 to Raceway Ford, Inc. of Riverside, California, for the purchase of five new model year, Ford F350 E85 flex fuel powered super cab trucks for the Public Utilities Electric Production and Operations Division in the total amount of \$218,446.38.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board of Public Utilities award Bid No. 7534 to Raceway Ford, Inc., Riverside, California, for the purchase of five new model year, Ford F350 E85 flex fuel powered super cab trucks for the Public Utilities Electric Production and Operations Division in the total amount of \$218,446.38.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Production and Operations Section (Section) of the Public Utilities Electric Division is responsible for the maintenance and operation of electric substation equipment such as power transformers and circuit breakers. The Section also tests and maintains relays, provides Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) to substations, and installs all three-phase commercial meter systems. The Section includes the dispatch center which monitors and controls the electric system, responds to customer calls, and dispatches field crews on a 24/7 basis. Technicians that work in this Section predominately operate in the field and require vehicles to accomplish their field work.

The F350 trucks will provide greater functionality to the Section than the E350 vans that staff are currently using. In addition to high maintenance costs, two of the E350 vans have been removed from service and retired due to leaking liquefied petroleum gas tanks. Purchase of the five F350 trucks will also eliminate the need for Test and Meter staff to share use of vehicles.

The General Services Department Fleet Management Division collaborated with Section staff to develop specifications for formal procurement of these vehicles.

**DISCUSSION:**

On January 16, 2018, the Purchasing Division posted Bid No. 7534 for the purchase of five new model year Ford F350 super cab trucks of the following make and model: three Ford F350, E85 flex fuel powered, super cab trucks, single rear wheel, four wheel drive with an eight foot utility body; and two

Ford F350, E85 flex fuel powered, super cab trucks, single rear wheel, two wheel drive with an eight foot utility body. Three responses were received and Raceway Ford, Inc. was determined to be the lowest responsive bidder with a total bid of \$218,446.38.

	Four Wheel Drive		Two Wheel Drive		Totals
	Unit Price	Extended Price (x 3 trucks)	Unit Price	Extended Price (x 2 trucks)	Total Price
Raceway, Inc. Bid Price	\$40,886.00	\$122,658.00	\$39,086.00	\$78,172.00	\$200,830.00
Sales Tax (8.75%)	\$3,577.53	\$10,732.59	\$3,420.02	\$6,840.04	\$17,572.63
Tire Fee	\$8.75	\$26.25	\$8.75	\$17.50	\$43.75
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$44,472.28</b>	<b>\$133,416.84</b>	<b>\$42,514.77</b>	<b>\$85,029.54</b>	<b>\$218,446.38</b>

These vehicles meet the requirements of South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Rule 1191 (clean on-road light-and medium-duty public fleet vehicles), which requires public fleets acquire alternative-fuel vehicles to reduce pollutant emissions.

The General Services Director and Purchasing Manager concur that this award is in compliance with the current Purchasing Resolution.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The fiscal impact of this action is \$218,446.38. Sufficient funds are available in the Electric Operations Automotive Equipment account 6100000-462100.

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#### **Attachments:**

1. Raceway Ford, Inc. – Quote
2. Raceway Ford, Inc. – Letter Extending Quote
3. Award Recommendation