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TO: Board of Commissioners
FROM: Josh Tyler
DATE: February 14, 2022
RE: RFB No. 20211119 Skid Steer for Materials Recovery Facility - Procurement

CSWD Staff issued a Request for Bid (RFB) for the procurement of one skid steer per RFB No. 20211119, dated November 19, 2021. This skid steer is a critical piece of equipment for the operation of the CSWD Materials Recovery Facility (MRF). The current skid steer has been in service since 2017 and has over 10,000 run hours. RFB No. 20211119 Skid Steer Purchase was posted online to the VT Business Registry and CSWD website, and was also emailed to four local vendors:

- Essex Equipment, Essex, Vermont
- United Construction and Forestry, Williston, Vermont
- Champlain Valley Equipment, St. Albans, Vermont
- Milton CAT, Richmond, Vermont

Three of the four bidders proposed a solution for this equipment. The space in which we must operate this equipment is very tight and requires a solution per our specifications. The John Deere equipment proposed by United Construction and Forestry meets our specifications as was very competitively priced. Due to the manufacturing and lead time pressures, we are not able to have a demonstration skid steer to trial, however, we feel comfortable with the proposed solution by United Construction and Forestry to meet our needs and specifications.

The proposed equipment has an identified useful life as a skid steer for a minimum of five years' timeframe. We are recommending not trading in the old equipment but repurposing for Organics Diversion Facility as a solution to equipment needs without having to purchase a new piece of equipment. The CSWD FY22 MRF Capital Budget has \$40,000 identified for rolling stock replacement of the MRF skid steer. The cost for MRF skid steer and accessories from United Construction and Forestry is approximately \$58,500. The higher cost is due to the demands on the equipment being driven by pandemic economic impacts.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the Executive Director to enter into a contractual agreement for the purchase of John Deere 324G skid steer from United Construction and Forestry, in Williston, Vermont, for an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00.