

Two of the nine machines are currently inoperable which equates to a loss in service of 4200 pounds a day. The loss of production time has to be made up with over time hours. SCF does an overnight turn-around for each facility, so it is imperative that all of the equipment is in optimal working condition.

SCF laundry currently has six Washex, one Ipson and two Milner brand machines that were purchased through the competitive bid process; however, one Washex and the Ipson machines are inoperable and need to be replaced. The other five Washex machines are nearing the end of their lifecycle and will need to be replaced incrementally within the next three years. Of the three brands currently in use, only the Milner machine has remained maintenance free since November of 2006. The other machines have been difficult to maintain as service providers are not readily available. Additionally, the other machines have not performed well under the demands of the laundry. SCF has found the Milnor extractors to be very reliable and capable of handling the daily requirement for the facility. Repairs and maintenance are easily secured in a timely manner.

The Sheriff's Department makes every attempt to minimize the services of outside vendors by maintaining a supply of parts and making minimal repairs as needed. Standardizing the equipment will help facilitate a single brand inventory of parts.

Price Reasonableness:

Milnor brand extractors can be purchased from many distributors. Competitive pricing will be obtained through the bid process.