

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: FIRE

SUBMITTAL DATE: November 17, 2010

SUBJECT: Standardization of Scott ® Self Contained Breathing Apparatus Product and Service.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the Fire Department standardization of the SCOTT ® Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Products and Services for ten (10) years to support the Fire Department's fire suppression mission.

BACKGROUND: In 2004, the County of Riverside Fire Department and Central Purchasing established a five (5) year contract with Fisher Scientific for the SCOTT ® Product and Service from RFP #PUARC547. The initial purchase was for 935 complete SCBA packs, 2,060 Cylinders, and 481 Face Mask Amplified Voice Boxes totaling \$3,091,931.

Glenn Patterson, Admin Deputy Chief for
John R. Hawkins, County Fire Chief

FINANCIAL DATA

Current F.Y. Total Cost:
Current F.Y. Net County Cost:
Annual Net County Cost:

In Current Year Budget: Yes
Budget Adjustment: No
For Fiscal Year: N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30
Requires 4/5 Vote

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY:
Robert Tremaine

County Executive Office Signature

- Consent
- Policy
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- Policy

Dept's Recomm.:
Per Exec. Ofc.:

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Stone, seconded by Supervisor Benoit and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Buster, Tavaglione, Stone, Benoit and Ashley
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: December 7, 2010
xc: Fire, Purchasing

Kecia Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board
By:
Deputy

Prev. Agn. Ref.:

District: All

Agenda Number:

3.17

Purchasing:
 Billy Cornett, Purchasing Manager
 Department Concurrence

TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: November 30, 2010

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BACKGROUND (continued):

The Request for Proposal RFP #PUARC547 was evaluated and awarded in January of 2005. The Fire Department and Central Purchasing reviewed a total of three (3) proposals and it was determined that Fisher Scientific best met the specification outlined in the RFP. Since the contract was established in 2005, Fire has ordered approximately 128 complete SCBA packs and 556 Cylinders.

The US Department of Transportation (DOT) established the maximum life of a fiber over wrapped cylinder to be fifteen (15) years from manufacture date. In view of this fact, it would not be financially feasible for the Fire Department to re-bid and possibly change from the current SCOTT ® Self Contained Breathing product and service. The parts and components of the SCOTT ® Self Contained Breathing Apparatus products are not interchangeable with other manufactures and brands; therefore the Fire Department would possibly have to change out the entire inventory of SCBA in order to continue their mission. The Department would have to expend millions of dollars if another manufacture was used.

As a result, the SCOTT ® Self Contained Breathing Apparatus product and service is the most satisfactory product to meet the Fire Departments emergency response and management mission. This Form -11 request was established at the recommendation of the County of Riverside Purchasing and Fleet Services Department. Fire Department will monitor technology advancements and ensure the SCOTT products and services are the best solution when new orders are place. At the end of ten (10) years, a thorough evaluation will be repeated and a new standardization request may be made to the Board if appropriate.

PRICE REASONABLENESS: Though the SCOTT SCBA® is a proprietary product there are multiple distributors available to provide competitive pricing to the County of Riverside meeting the County Purchasing Policy and ensuring the County receives the best possible pricing.