



To: Honorable Public Utilities Board

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General Manager

Subject: Authorize the General Manager to Purchase One Single Reel Cable Trailer in an Amount Not-to-Exceed of \$30,000 from Felling Trailers, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION

*By motion*, authorize the General Manager to purchase one single reel cable trailer in an amount not-to-exceed of \$30,000 from Felling Trailers, Inc.

BACKGROUND

On June 23, 2016 AMP sold its single reel cable trailer at auction. The trailer was 30+ years old and was inoperable and unable to be repaired. Staff recommends that AMP replace this critical piece of equipment.

AMP’s current cable reel size standard is approximately 8,000 pounds. The previous single reel cable trailer held a maximum cable reel size of approximately 6,000 pounds. A single reel trailer with a gross vehicle weight rating of at least 10,000 pounds is required to safely hold one 8,000 pound cable reel.

AMP crews utilize a single reel cable trailer to install distribution cable for capital projects and all new development. Some of the major projects anticipated in Fiscal Year 2017 requiring the use of a single reel trailer are, 2100 Willow, Del Monte Warehouse, and Alameda Point Site A Relocation. A single reel cable trailer is also used as part of AMP’s maintenance program when re-conductoring primary and secondary circuits, which increases AMP’s reliability.

DISCUSSION

On December 20, 2016 staff solicited a quote from Felling Trailers, Inc. (Felling) to manufacture a single reel trailer based upon AMP’s technical specifications. Felling has a current competitively bid cooperative contract under which AMP is authorized to purchase. AMP received a quote from Felling in the amount of \$24,723.60 excluding tax and shipping.

After a thorough review of the proposal and technical specifications, staff recommends AMP purchase one single reel cable trailer from Felling.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The purchase price of one single reel turret trailer is less than \$30,000, including sales tax and freight. Funds for this expenditure are included in the FY2017 budget.

LINKS TO KEY RESULT AREAS AND GOALS

KRA 3: System Resiliency

EXHIBIT

None