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Item #: 5.f

Meeting Date: September 20, 2024

To: Board of Directors
From: Director of Operations, Jay Ramos
Approved by: General Manager, Felipe Melchor

Subject: Adopt Resolution 2024-08 and Approve the Purchase of One (1) New 2024 Caterpillar 323 Excavator

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution 2024-08 and approve the purchase of one (1) new 2024 Caterpillar 323 Excavator, using the cooperative purchasing process for public entities and preferential competitive pricing offered through Sourcewell (formally known as National Joint Powers Alliance, NJPA) and without the alternate competitive bidding process. Refer to the attached proposal by Quinn Company of Salinas, CA, dated July 2, 2024, to provide the 2024 Caterpillar 323 Excavator for the total price of \$347,661.24 including sales tax, freight. The purchase price will be protected once the attached sales quote is signed, and the equipment order is completed.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The District operates a small fleet of Off-Road equipment utilized for various activities throughout the Site. Phasing out all the Off-Road Equipment not powered by a Tier 4 Final diesel engine is required to meet emission standards set forth by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) by the year 2026. ReGen Monterey is a participating member in the diesel engine phase-out program for more than a decade and coordinates with the local Air District, Monterey Bay Air Resources District (MBARD), as equipment is retired.

Unit MR43 is a 2011 Caterpillar 324DL Excavator with a Tier 3 engine (see picture in attached file). This almost 14-year-old excavator has 14,049 hours of operation. The excavator is an operationally critical piece of equipment utilized by MRF operations to load four transfer trucks that move material to the 'active face' and other various tasks in the operation of the MRF. Funds in the amount \$350,000 are included in the FY 2024/25 Capital Outlay Budget for this purchase.

Off-Road Equipment not powered by Tier 4 Final diesel engine should be phased out to meet emission standards set forth by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) by the year 2026. Staff recommend replacing unit MR43, a 2011 Caterpillar 324DL Excavator (Tier 3 engine) at this time with a New 2024 Caterpillar 323 Excavator (Tier 4 final engine). This will accomplish one of the required fleet conversion units and allow ReGen to stay on track to meet the 2026 California Air Resources Board (CARB) emissions deadline that dictates this fleet conversion.

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FISCAL IMPACT

Funds totaling \$ 350,000 are included in the FY 2024/25 Capital outlay portion of the budget for this purchase. These funds will be used to purchase the 2024 Caterpillar 323 Excavator for the total price of \$347,661.24 including sales tax and freight.

CONCLUSION

That the Board adopt Resolution 2024-08 and approve the purchase of one (1) new 2024 Caterpillar 323 Excavator for the price of \$347,661.36 without the alternative competitive bidding process by using the Sourcewell public entity cooperative purchasing program and as presented in the attached proposal by Quinn Company of Salinas, CA. Estimated delivery of equipment is currently anticipated by December 2024.

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