



MEMORANDUM

TO: Gene Baietto, Purchasing

FROM: Gordy Paprocki, Fleet Services Division

DATE: January 29, 2009

SUBJECT: Sole Source Purchase of Knuckleboom Crane

In the 2009 budget, we have included two pieces of mounted equipment; one of which is a heavy-duty knuckleboom crane. The crane is part of a project unit that we are assembling in the division to replace two aging pieces, our 1975 wrecker and our 1980 tractor. This crane will also back up our current digger derrick when it is unavailable and will also be used as an alternative to the derrick for pulling pole bases.

After searching for a unit for over 6 months, I located this one out east. It fits our application very well. It is a late model unit and appears to be in very good condition and is priced within budget. Cranes of this type with these specs are few and far between. So with that said, I recommend the purchase of this 2004 Jabco 835-6S crane from Opdyke Truck and Equipment Sales as quoted. If you should have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

GP/djk

cc: M. Pertmer