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TO: DONALD E. WHITE, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

FROM: MATT WILKINSON, BUSINESS MANAGER

DATE: MARCH 11, 2004

**RE: BOARD AGENDA ITEM
AWARD LIFE-SAFETY EXHAUST AND VENTILATION PROJECT**

As part of the approved ten-year life-safety resurvey, building violations related to necessary exhaust and ventilation upgrades were identified in the resurvey at Broadmoor, Edison, C.B. Smith, Jefferson, L.E. Starke, Sunset Hills, Washington, and Willow. In accordance with the five-year life-safety plan, the exhaust and ventilation repairs are to occur during the summer of 2004.

As part of the life-safety exhaust and ventilation project, the contractor's scope of work will include adding and connecting exhaust and ventilation systems, replacing exhaust fans, and extending duct systems. Priorities at Broadmoor, Edison, C.B. Smith, Jefferson, L.E. Starke, Sunset Hills, Washington, and Willow have been identified by our architect and are included in this project. The life-safety exhaust and ventilation project with contingencies was estimated to cost \$417,500.

All work for this project is planned for this summer. The necessary building permit will be requested from the Regional Office of Education. The district has sufficient life-safety and district funds to complete the exhaust and ventilation project. The project is scheduled to begin on June 7, 2004 and will be completed on or before August 6, 2004.

At the February regular Board meeting, the Board authorized the preparation of specifications and solicitation of bids for the life-safety exhaust and ventilation project. The two bids from contractors were received on March 10th. The lowest responsible bid was received from Du-Mont Company of Peoria, Illinois, with a Base Bid of \$249,310 and Alternate Bids #7 for \$71,475 to add Johnson Control Metasys system to control exhaust fans at Edison, C.B. Smith, L.E. Starke, Sunset Hills, Washington, and Willow; #9 for \$4,750 to add exhaust fan controls at Broadmoor; #11 for \$4,200 to add exhaust fan controls at Jefferson, for a total cost of \$329,735.

Du-Mont Company was researched and appears to be a reputable contractor. They can provide the specified performance and payment bonds and will pay the prevailing wage rates. The district has worked with Du-Mont Company in the past and has been satisfied with their performance.

Based on the above information, I recommend the Board waive any and all irregularities in the bidding process, and award the life-safety exhaust and ventilation project to Du-Mont Company of Peoria, Illinois, for the Base Bid of \$249,310 and Alternate Bids #7 for \$71,475, #9 for \$4,750 and #11 for \$4,200, for a total cost of \$329,735.

I forward this information for your review and consideration for Board of Education action at its next regularly scheduled meeting on March 15, 2004.

BID TABULATION SHEET

2004 LIFE SAFETY EXHAUST AND VENTILATION WORK

March 10, 2004
2:00 P.M.

BIDDER	BID DEPOSIT	BASE BID	ALT #7	ALT #9	ALT #11
Associated Mechanical		No Bid			
Standard Heating	5% Bid Bond	\$323,000	+ \$70,603	+ \$7,039	+ \$5,990
Du-Mont	5% Bid Bond	\$249,310	+ \$71,475	+ \$4,750	+ \$4,200
Comm. Mech.		No Bid			
Sam's Heating		No Bid			