

**RECOMMENDATION TO PURCHASE BOILER UPGRADES AT WOODCREEK, WAINWRIGHT & HARLEY  
FRANKS FOR 2014-2015  
(SO #1675)**

**PROJECT:**

This project includes the restoration/replacement of boilers and their associated infrastructure at the Harley Franks, Wainwright, and Woodcreek Schools.

**BID SUMMARY:**

Bidder	Location	Harley Franks			Wainwright & Woodcreek			Local Vendor	Minority Owned	Female Owned
		Base Bid	Alternate	Total	Base Bid	Alternate	Total			
Morris Mechanical	4838 W. Bath Rd., Perry, MI	No Bid	No Bid	<b>No Bid</b>	\$203,930	\$65,000	<b>\$268,930</b>	No	No	No
Myers Plumbing & Heating, Inc.	16825 Industrial Parkway, Lansing, MI	\$91,678	\$6,100	<b>\$97,778</b>	\$211,535	\$72,970	<b>\$284,505</b>	Yes	No	No
Pleune Service	750 Himes SE, Grand Rapids	\$99,000	\$5,800	<b>\$104,800</b>	Partial Bid \$107,000 Wainwright Only	\$120,600	<b>\$227,600</b>	No	No	No
William E. Walter, Inc.	1917 Howard Ave., Flint	\$109,000	\$6,200	<b>\$115,200</b>	\$281,000	\$23,700	<b>\$304,700</b>	No	No	No

**COMMENTS:**

The boilers being replaced are well over 40 years old and long past their manufacturer rating of 25-30 years. The likelihood of school closure due to boiler failure has become high, and the increasing unreliability of such boilers would subject students and building occupants to less than adequate temperatures and ventilation in classrooms and other areas.

The Purchasing Department issued and received bids for upgrade/replacement of boilers and their associated infrastructure at Harley Franks, Wainwright, and Woodcreek for 2014-2015 (SO-1675). The project was posted on the Bid for Michigan web site which notified capable vendors that matched project scope criteria. The project was also publically advertised in the Lansing State Journal, Lansing School District's web site, as well as at Commercial Blueprint, Inc.

A total of four (4) vendors submitted bids, which were reviewed by the Architect and representatives from the District. All bids were qualified based on the submittal of required bidding documentation in accordance with the contract documents.

The bid evaluation and post bid interview determined there was economy in utilizing the 2 most responsive bidders for these boiler replacements, as this shared level of effort in work load would not only reduce the expenses for improvement, but would also provide more insurance for schedules to be met. Both Myers Plumbing & Heating, Inc. of Lansing MI and Morris Mechanical of Perry, MI have past experiences of successfully performing multiple similar projects for the District.

**CONSIDERATION OF LOCAL, MINORITY AND FEMALE OWNED VENDORS:**

The District Purchasing Office regularly solicits bids from all suppliers that are currently on the district vendor list, as well as other interested vendors.

**CONNECTION TO THE DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN:**

This purchase is in keeping with the Lansing School District’s mission of providing educational excellence in a safe and nurturing environment as well as protecting the school district’s assets.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Based on the bids received and reviewed, it is recommended that contracts for boiler replacement and upgrades at Wainwright, Woodcreek and Harley Franks be awarded as follows:

1. To Myers Plumbing & Heating of Lansing, MI, the most responsive and qualified bidder, for a **total not to exceed the amount of \$97,778 for boiler upgrades/replacement at Harley Franks.** All change orders exceeding 10% of the bid amount must be approved by the Board of Education.
2. To Morris Mechanical, Inc., of Perry, MI, the most responsive and qualified bidder, for a **total not to exceed the amount of \$268,930 for boiler upgrades at Woodcreek & Wainwright.** All change orders exceeding 10% of the bid amount must be approved by the Board of Education.

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:** FY 15 Building & Site (Sinking) Fund.

**AMOUNT SPENT DURING THE LAST FISCAL YEAR:**

Myers Plumbing & Heating: FY 13 - \$78,567.56  
Morris Mechanical: FY 13 - \$11,529.25; FY 14 - \$149,810

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