ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approves the contract for the purchase of training systems for industrial training equipment and curriculum for Construction Management, Electronics Engineering, Welding, HVAC, and Plumbing programs from Technical Laboratory Systems, Inc.

BACKGROUND

The Construction Management, Electronics Engineering, Welding, HVAC, and Plumbing programs at the Technical Campus utilize the industrial training equipment and curriculum to provide the students with the current tools used in the industry. These programs utilized systems from Technical Laboratory Systems at the inception of the programs and each year the programs grow to use additional training systems for the students.

Reference Number SCON-1004738 was issued to track contract spend for Technical Laboratory Systems, Inc. Technical Laboratory Systems, Inc has a contract through the Choice Partners cooperative purchasing program to provide training systems for industrial training equipment and curriculum for Construction Management, Electronics Engineering, Welding, HVAC, and Plumbing programs, Contract Number #21/031KN-60. The contract complies with the competitive procurement requirements outlined in Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code, as permitted through Section 791.011 of the Texas Government Code.

IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

The HVAC Program has received a large grant to purchase additional training systems to further the students' training with hands-on skills practice of the function, operation, and maintenance of pumps and motor controls used in today's industry.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

This purchasing request is for spend authorization of \$400,000, which is primarily funded through a JET grant awarded to the HVAC program and also budgeted in the FY23 operating budgets of the various programs that utilize the contract.

MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

The contract term is September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023.

RESOURCE PERSONNEL

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