



# CITY OF RAPID CITY

## Public Works Department

### Solid Waste Division

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor & Council

FROM: Karl Merbach, Superintendent, Solid Waste Division

SUBJECT: **Revised Bid Award Recommendation- Two Skid Steer Loaders**

CC: Dale Tech, Acting Director of Public Works  
Amber Sitts, Public Works Compliance Officer

DATE: February 23, 2016

On Tuesday November 11, 2015 bids were opened for two Skid Steer Loaders for the Solid Waste Division. On Monday, November 17, the City Council voted to award the bid to RDO Equipment Co. for their low bid of \$99,780.00. The mayor signed the contract with RDO and the contract was forwarded to RDO to begin their 120-day deliver period.

In late January, RDO attempted to deliver the two skid loaders to the Solid Waste Division. Upon inspection, it was noted that there were a number of items that did not meet the contract specifications. On Monday, February 8, 2016, Solid Waste staff meet with representatives of RDO. After reviewing the detailed specifications and the contract, RDO stated they would not be able to meet the specifications in the contract.

Solid Waste staff is requesting that the Council approve the bid of the next qualified bidder with no exceptions, Butler Cat, for their bid of \$117,320.00. While past the 30 day bid acceptance period, Butler Cat has stated they would honor their bid from November 11, 2015.

A summary of the bids for the two new skid steer loaders is highlighted below.

### **Two (2) Skid Steer Loaders**

#### **Recommendation- Butler Cat - \$117,320.00**

Four Bids received, two of the four indicate that they meet all specifications as advertised.

**1. Jenner Equipment- \$93,452.00**

- a. Did not meet the following specs
  - i. Warranty 5 year only on drive train, 5 year all parts and labor required
  - ii. No external pre-cleaner



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- iii. Stacked coolers and radiator- must be separate
  - iv. No flexible coupling direct drive- Belt driven
  - v. No adjustable chain- adjustable chain required
  - vi. Hydraulic pumps direct drive- Jenner is belt driven
  - vii. Hydraulic pump 30.5 gpm- minimum 32 gpm required
  - viii. Breakout force 6,171, required 7,350 pounds minimum
  - ix. No removable belly pan- removable pan required
  - x. Air conditioner condenser stacked with other radiators, Air conditioner condenser will be separate
  - xi. No adjustable work lights, work lights shall be adjustable
- 2. RDO Equipment Company- \$99,780.00 Awarded 11/18/15 but did not meet contract specifications. Cannot deliver as specified.**
- a. Met all advertised specs in bid
- 3. Titan Machinery- \$115,800.00**
- a. Did not meet the following specs
    - i. Grid heater, glow plugs required
    - ii. No secondary air cleaner, secondary air cleaner required
    - iii. Gear pump, piston pump required
    - iv. Belt driven fan, direct drive fan required
    - v. No quick disconnect on bucket, quick disconnects that operate under pressure required
    - vi. Halogen lights, LED lights required
- 4. Butler Machinery Company- \$117,320.00**
- a. Met all advertised specs

Please let me know if you need further clarification on any of the above information.