

Board of Trustees Agenda Item**Board Meeting Date:** November 1, 2010**Title of Item:****Authorization to Award Contract Pursuant to Bid 1308 for the Purchase of Nine (9) Diesel Cargo Vans****Background and Analysis:**

The District requires nine (9) diesel cargo vans to replace four pick-up trucks and five vans that have been taken out of service due to age and poor condition. Therefore, District Purchasing Services prepared bid documents and incorporated technical specifications jointly written with the District Plant Service Staff in order to invite bids for a one-time purchase of diesel cargo vans.

The bid was advertised on September 10, 2010 and September 17, 2010. The Invitation to Bid was sent to thirteen (13) vendors and posted on "Bidnet" at www.govbids.com. Bids were publicly opened and read on September 24, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. in Purchasing Services. Six (6) vendors submitted bids. The bid results are shown below:

	Putnam Chevrolet	Wondries Fleet Group	Golden Gate Truck Center	Mercedes Benz of Rocklin	San Francisco Ford Lincoln Mercury (non-responsive)	TEC of California
Bid Price Including sales tax	\$329,575.59	\$334,565.37	\$444,494.39	\$399,035.25	\$195,729.75	\$372,750.08

San Francisco Ford Lincoln Mercury ("San Francisco Ford") was the apparent low bidder. However, the San Francisco Ford bid was not responsive and must be rejected because it failed to comply with the bid specifications. Instead of offering the specified diesel cargo vans, the San Francisco Ford bid offered gasoline-powered cargo vans.

Therefore, the actual lowest responsive and responsible bidder is Putnam Chevrolet with a bid price of \$329,575.59 for a quantity of nine (9) Chevrolet Express one-ton diesel cargo vans.

This purchase is funded by Measure C.

Recommendation:

Authorize the Director of Purchasing Services, Carmen Redmond, to reject the San Francisco Ford Lincoln Mercury bid as non-responsive and to award a contract pursuant to Bid 1308 in the amount of \$329,575.59 to Putnam Chevrolet.

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Is backup provided?	No