

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Jim Gray Mayor Jane C. Driskell Commissioner

MEMORANDUM

To:

Mayor Jim Gray

From:

Todd Slatin, Acting Director

Division of Central Purchasing

Date:

April 19, 2012

Subject:

Bid #42-2012 – FRP Weirs & Scum Baffles

Bids were received in the Division of Central Purchasing on April 10, 2012 for the purpose of establishing a price contract for FRP Weirs & Scum Baffles for the Division of Water Quality. There is no guarantee on the quantity and/or time schedule during the duration of the contract. Purchases will be made on an "as-needed" basis as budget allows. The specific equipment will be for clarifiers located at the West Hickman WWTP. The bid submittal unit prices are as indicated below:

Notifications were sent to (292) bidders via Economic Engine with (41) viewing the document. Three (3) bids were received. Low bid for lump sum total for 115' Diameter Clarifier was submitted by Delaney & Associates in the amount of \$16,436.00. Second low bid was submitted by NEFCO, Inc. in the amount of \$16,845.00.

After careful review by the Division of Water Quality the bid submitted by Delaney & Associates did not meet specifications regarding scum brackets. Specifications stated that the brackets shall be FRP Angle with slotted holes to provide horizontal, vertical & radial adjustment of the baffle. Delaney & Associates proposed a triangular bracket which is unacceptable because it will interfere with the proper operation of currently installed algae removal equipment and, as such, cannot be considered an "or equal" alternative.

The second low bid submitted by NEFCO, Inc. meets specifications and is within budgetary constraints. Therefore, I recommend that the bid submitted by NEFCO, Inc. be accepted.