

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Jim Gray Mayor

Clay Mason Commissioner

To:

Richard Moloney, CAO

Mayor Jim Gray Councilmembers

From:

Rodney Ballard, Director

Division of Community Corrections

Date:

May 2, 2012

Subject:

Approval of Natural Gas Purchase for Community Corrections

Requesting approval to enter into a two year contract with the lowest responsive bidder for natural gas supplied under Columbia Gas of Kentucky's Delivery Service tariff as long as the price does not exceed NYMEX plus \$.35Dth. Under the DS tariff rate, LFUCG solicits bids from approved suppliers through Fellon McCord, its consultant on natural gas pricing. This process is the most cost effective way to procure natural gas for the detention center. Currently, the detention center is under contract with Constellation New Energy Gas for a term ending July 31, 2012.

The offers obtained through this process are only valid for 24 hours and the price and term of the offer are set forth in the terms of the bid. Upon approval of the bid, the LFUCG will enter into a two year contract with the lowest responsive bidder beginning August 1, 2012.

The fiscal impact for FY2013 will be \$240,000. Funds are budgeted in 1101-505401-5411-72102.

cc:

Clay Mason, Commissioner Department of Public Safety