



To: Board of Directors
From: Robert Zingelmann
Date: December 5, 2016
Subject: Recommendation of Contract Award

Region 4 ESC/TCPN held a bid opening on November 15, 2016 for RFP # 16-17 for **Cabling and Networking Products & Solutions**. There were five (5) proposals submitted:

- Anixter, Inc.
- Elontec, LLC
- Layer 3 Communications, LLC
- NeedThese
- Telephonics Unlimited Inc.

After careful review of all proposals, the Evaluation Team has determined that two (2) companies demonstrated the ability to provide the products and services outlined in the solicitation while offering competitive pricing to the members.

CONSIDERATION

Award of annual contract in compliance with the bid laws of the State of Texas is recommended.

RECOMMENDATION

The Evaluation Team recommends the following companies for award based on their response:

Contract	Vendor	Term of Contract
Cabling and Networking Products & Solutions	Anixter, Inc. NeedThese	Three (3) years with option of two (2) one year renewals

Support documentation has been attached for your reference.

Enclosure: Bid Tab Summary



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Region 4 ESC

From: Jason Wickel
Cooperative Purchasing Coordinator

Date: December 5, 2016

Re: Cabling and Networking Products & Solutions; RFP # 16-17

The Elevation Committee has reviewed the responses and recommend that the following companies be awarded:

- Anixter, Inc.
- NeedTheese

The recommended vendors submitted offers that were determined to be most advantageous to The Cooperative Purchasing Network (TCPN) members, based upon the bid tabulation. All the recommended respondents were determined to be competitively priced and strong for the specified services outlined in the RFP.

We believe all recommended vendors demonstrate the ability to provide and perform the services requested in the proposal. We will monitor their performance and determine at the end of each year if they are eligible for renewal with each new term.

This multiple award is recommended as most advantageous as it limits contract awards to the least number of suppliers necessary to meet the requirements of TCPN members. In order to serve the entire nation, a multiple award is recommended to provide any governmental agency with complete coverage of commodities, services and any other offering within the scope of proposal.

Please let me know if you have any questions.