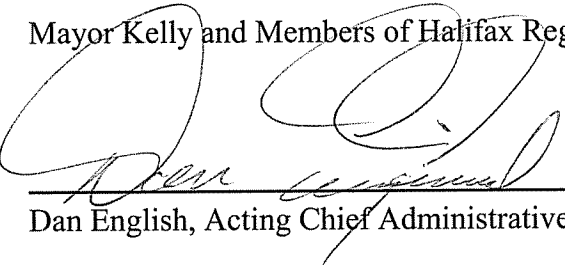


Halifax Regional Council
October 15, 2002

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:


Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: October 04, 2002

SUBJECT: **Tender #02-101 - Purchase of Scott 2.2 Low Pressure Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus and Additional Optional Equipment(30 minute cylinders, integrated pass alarms and carrying cases).**

ORIGIN

The Halifax Regional Municipality publically advertized tenders for the purchase of Scott 2.2 low pressure self-contained breathing apparatus and additional optional equipment for the Halifax Regional Fire and Emergency Service.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that :

1. Council authorize the award of Tender #02-101 to Acklands-Grainger Incorporated at a price of \$310,776.22 (tax included) for the purchase of ninety-six (96) Scott 2.2 self-contained breathing apparatus and additional optional equipment with funding as outlined in the Budget Implications section of this report.

Note: All prices include the non-refundable portion of the HST.

BACKGROUND

A total of ten(10) companies received tender documents with three valid bids received.

<u>Name of Company</u>	<u>Bid (HST Included)</u>
Acklands-Grainger Inc.	\$310,776.22 *
Levitt Safety Limited	\$361,345.84
Century Vallen	\$381,601.87

* *Recommended bidder*

DISCUSSION

These breathing apparatus are to be utilized in Zone 1, Zone 4 and the Prospect Road and District Volunteer Fire Departments. It is the intention of the volunteer service to achieve a level of standardization to address training and mutual aid issues with the least financial impact on the volunteer service. Scott equipment currently represents 65% of the total breathing apparatus within the volunteer service and staff have determined the purchase of Scott equipment to be the most cost effective method of achieving standardization.

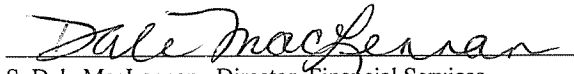

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Funds in the amount of \$310,776.22 are available in the 2002/2003 Operating Budget for Zone 4 in account # HROP-3424 titled Surplus (available budget \$145,599.00), Zone 1 in account # F751-6701 titled Equipment Purchase (available budget \$126,800.00) and Prospect Road Fire Department in account # F705-6701 titled Equipment Purchase (available budget \$45,000.00). Availability of funds have been confirmed by Finance staff.

MULTI-YEAR FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

Additional copies of this report, and information on its status, can be obtained by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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