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To: Walt Wrede, City Manager
From: Bob Painter, Fire Chief
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Date: December 26, 2007
Re: Engine 4 Replacement, Award of Contract

After serious consideration and investigation I recommend that the City of Homer award the contract to design, build and equip the fire engine replacement of Engine 4 to Oregon Fire Equipment Company Ltd that bid a KME Fire Apparatus for the sum of \$465,531. This sum includes the apparatus proper, and specified loose equipment and installation at the factory as specified in the Request for Proposals. Oregon Fire Equipment was the most responsive the three proposals we received and was the only one to meet the performance specifications outlined in the RFP. In addition KME has a good reputation in Alaska and several repeat customers including: City of Anchorage, City of Fairbanks, Seward, and many others. In reviewing the proposal with PW mechanic Harlon Engebretsen and touring the AFD maintenance shop to inspect a new KME apparatus we feel that KME will build a suitable fire engine for our climate, terrain and operational conditions to last us at least 20 years. KME is offered several financing options that include a substantial discount for prepayment; lease purchase and outright payment upon receipt. I would like to proceed, upon approval of council with the contract award to begin the steps necessary to build Homer's next fire engine.