

RESOLUTION NO. 2025- 171

A RESOLUTION REJECTING BIDS RECEIVED ON JANUARY 31, 2025 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW POWER TRANSFORMER FOR WEST SUBSTATION AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING AGENT TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR BIDS.

WHEREAS, the City of Vineland has heretofore advertised for bids for the Purchase of a New Power Transformer for West Substation, COV BID 2024-68, in accordance with specifications on file in the office of the Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2025, bids were received, duly opened and read aloud, being referred to the Business Administrator for tabulation, evaluation, report and recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the Business Administrator has submitted a written report and tabulation of the bids received, said report indicating that the bids submitted to the Purchasing Agent on April 1, 2025 for the above, must be rejected in order to substantially revise the specifications and re-advertise; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Vineland that:

1. The bids received by the Purchasing Agent on January 31, 2025, for the Purchase of a New Power Transformer for West Substation, COV BID 2024-68, be and the same are hereby rejected.
2. The Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized and directed to immediately return to said bidders any bid bonds, certified checks, or other forms of security submitted by such bidders.
3. The Purchasing Agent of the City of Vineland is hereby authorized and directed to re-advertise for bids, at which time such bids submitted shall be publicly opened and read aloud.

Adopted: April 8, 2025

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President of Council pfs

ATTEST:

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City Clerk rgf



April 1, 2025

REPORT TO: THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

RE: Proposals Submitted to the Purchasing Agent 1/31/25

Dear Mayor and Members of Council:

Submitted to you herewith for your consideration is our evaluation of the proposals submitted to the Purchasing Agent on January 31, 2025.

FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW POWER TRANSFORMER FOR WEST SUBSTATION,  
COV BID #2024-68

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It is the recommendation of the Municipal Department Head of Utilities, which has the concurrence of the Purchasing Agent, and the Business Administrator that the bid received for the above must be rejected because the contracting unit wants to substantially revise the specifications.

We trust that the above recommendation will receive your favorable consideration and that the recommended resolution will be adopted as presented.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert E. Dickenson, Jr.  
Business Administrator

RD/rl





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MAR 21 2025  
CITY OF VINELAND  
PURCHASING DEPT.

**BID EVALUATION FORM – REJECTING ALL BIDS**

DEPARTMENT: Electric Utility DATE: 03/21/2025

The undersigned recommends that all bids be rejected for the following:

1. BID TITLE: Power Transformer for West Substation
2. BID NUMBER: COV BID #2024-68
3. 40A:11-13.2 REJECTION OF BIDS/REASONS:

A contracting unit may reject all bids for any of the following reasons (Choose One):

- ☐ The lowest bid substantially exceeds the cost estimates
- ☐ The lowest bid substantially exceeds the contracting unit's appropriation
- ☐ The governing body of the contracting unit decides to abandon the project
- ☒ The contracting unit wants to substantially revise the specifications
- ☐ The purposes or provisions or both of P.L.1971, c.198 (C.40A:11-1 et seq.) are being violated.
- ☐ The governing body of the contracting unit decides to use the State authorized contract pursuant to Section 12 of P.L.1971, c.198 (C.40A:11- 12).

4. COMMENTS/SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: The technical requirements proposed within the received bids do not satisfy our evaluation criteria.

5. EVALUATION PERFORMED BY: Electric Engineering

6. APPROVED BY: Dennis Koons

7. ATTACHED: (CHECK-OFF LIST)

- ☒ Tabulation of Bids
- ☐ Justification for Recommendation (if applicable)
- ☐ Evaluation Data (if applicable)

COPY TO:  
PurchasingOffice@vinelandcity.org

**PURCHASING AGENT RECOMMENDATION AWARD**  
**COV BID # 2024-68**

Proposals were received and opened Friday, January 31, 2025 at 2:00 PM for Purchase of New Power Transformer for West Substation from the following:

Turtle & Hughes, Inc.	\$1,059,400.00
Northeast Power Sales	\$1,481,916.00
Virginia Transformer Corp.	\$3,173,000.00
Anixter Inc.	\$5,356,585.00

**Comments:** All bidders submitted the mandatory documents.

**Recommendation:** Award can be made to Turtle & Hughes, Inc., as they submitted the lowest responsive responsible bid unless the using department can justify reason not to award to Turtle & Hughes, Inc.

Jeanine N. Meneghetti, QPA  
Purchasing Agent

**TABULATION OF BIDS**  
**COV BID 2024-68 PURCHASE OF NEW POWER**  
**TRANSFORMER FOR WEST SUBSTATION**  
**JANUARY 31, 2025**

**Engineers Estimate: \$2,600,000.00**

	<b>Turtle &amp; Hughes, Inc.</b> <b>100 Walnut Ave.</b> <b>Clark, NJ 07066</b>	<b>Northeast Power Sales</b> <b>312 Mallard Drive</b> <b>Marlton, NJ 08053</b>	<b>Virginia Transformer Corp.</b> <b>220 Glade View Drive</b> <b>Roanoke, VA 24012</b>	<b>Anixter Inc.</b> <b>Relhm Blvd., Ste. A</b> <b>Smyrna, DE 19977</b>
<b>Ownership Disclosure</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>Affir. Action Plan</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>Check List</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>Proposal</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>Ack. Addend.</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>Disclosure of Inv. Iran</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>TOTAL COST</b>	<b>\$1,059,400.000</b>	<b>\$1,481,916.000</b>	<b>\$3,173,000.000</b>	<b>\$5,356,585.000</b>

**Specifications received by the following:**

GT General Contracting LLC  
North America Procurment Council  
Jaxson Industries LLC  
Bolt Electrical LLC  
Blackstar Diversified Enterprises, LLC  
American Wire Group  
Transfluid Services Inc.  
AR Transformers Inc.  
Costructconnect

Deerfield Electric  
Lekson Assoc.  
Technology Inmational Inc.  
Preferred Sales Agency  
Prime Vendor  
Eaton  
Power Tech  
GE Vernova Grid Solutions  
MJ Fein & Co.

AKL Engineering  
JST Power Equipment  
Pioneer Electrogrouop Canada ULC  
RSI Sales, LLC