

Financial Affairs  
Richard H. Hinds, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT: PARTIAL AWARD OF BID #136-XX07-FORK LIFTS AND PALLET TRUCKS**

The purpose of this bid, opened on November 17, 1998, is to establish a contract, to purchase, at firm unit prices, quantities, as may be required, of fork lifts and pallet trucks, for use by Stores and Mail Distribution, Maintenance Materials Management and the Office of Facilities Operations. This is a term bid which states that the Board may purchase quantities, as may be required, at the unit price bid, but is not obligated to purchase any guaranteed amount. Of 185 vendors sent bid forms or card notices of this advertised bid, 32 responded, with 7 bids meeting specifications (includes 7 bids meeting individual item specifications, but not all item specifications; not all vendors bid all items) and 25 no bids.

Inasmuch as all bids submitted for item 6 did not meet specifications, the recommendation reflects that all bids received for this item, be rejected to permit rebidding, using revised specifications. Items 8 through 9C are being held for further evaluation and will be awarded at the Board meeting of March 17, 1999.

Fund Source  
0100-General

M/WBE Eligibility  
None

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **AWARD** Bid #136-XX07 – FORK LIFTS AND PALLET TRUCKS, to purchase, at firm unit prices, quantities, as may be required, of fork lifts and pallet trucks, for use by Stores and Mail Distribution, Maintenance Materials Management and the Office of Facilities Operations, during the term of the bid, effective February 10, 1999 through February 9, 2000, as follows:

1. NATIONAL LIFT TRUCK SERVICE, INC.  
1901 NW 2 STREET  
FT. LAUDERDALE, FL 33311-----ESTIMATE \$81,794

Low Unit Price: Items 3 and 7.

Item 3 – Electric fork lift, 6,000 lb. cap @ \$26,072 each.  
Item 7 – Piggyback fork lift, @ \$29,650 each.

2. UNITED FORK LIFT CORPORATION  
3459 NW 65 STREET  
MIAMI, FL 33147-----ESTIMATE \$96,251

Low Unit Price: Items 1 and 2.

Item 1 – Electric fork lift, 3,000 lb. cap. @ \$17,445  
each.  
Item 2 – Electric fork lift, 5,000 lb. cap. @ \$21,958  
each.

3. W.E. JOHNSON EQUIPMENT COMPANY  
385 E. 10<sup>TH</sup> COURT  
HIALEAH, FL 33010-----ESTIMATE \$81,758.50

Low Unit Price: Items 4 and 5.

Item 4 – Gas fork lift, 5,000 lb. cap. @ \$18,211.75  
each.  
Item 5 – Gas fork lift, 6,000 lb. cap. @ \$22,667 each.

4. Reject Item 6 - Electric Pallet Truck.
5. Authorize the Bureau of Procurement and Materials Management to purchase up to the total estimated amount of \$259,803.50. The award shall be made subject to the resolution of bid protests, if any.

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