



# Council Communication

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<b>Date:</b>	November 7, 2011
<b>Agenda Item No.</b>	35A
<b>Roll Call No.</b>	<u>11-1883</u>
<b>Communication No.</b>	<u>11-695</u>
<b>Submitted by:</b>	John F. TeKippe, Fire Chief

## AGENDA HEADING:

Approve annual contract for the provision of medical examination–personal protection equipment (PPE) gloves for the Des Moines Fire Department to PH and S Products, LLC, Ann Hull, President, P.O. Box 344, Minerva, OH, 44657, in the amount of \$30,000.

## SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approving award of an annual contract with two additional one-year renewal options to furnish nitrile medical gloves for the Des Moines Fire Department to the low compliant bidder, PH and S Products, LLC.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$30,000

Funding Source: FY 2011-2012 Operating Budget, Fire Department, Emergency Medical Services, GE001, FIR041000, page 130.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Invitation to Bid V12-020 for the provision of nitrile medical gloves for the Des Moines Fire Department was sent to 11 potential bidders. Two bids were received from the following vendors: Bound Tree Medical LLC and PH and S Products, LLC.

Bound Tree Medical LLC, provided the low bid. However, their product has been determined to be non-compliant. The Bound Tree glove does not meet specifications in the bid for tensile elongation properties, cuff thickness, palm thickness and finger thickness of the glove. Past experiences of the department have found that gloves that do not meet the minimum specifications are prone to failures. Ankeny Fire has confirmed negative experiences with the Bound Tree Medical LLC proposed product. It is the opinion of the department that the Bound Tree Medical LLC bid product will increase risk of exposure to blood borne pathogens for Des Moines Fire Department personnel. Therefore the vendor is not being recommended.

The Fire Department has determined that PH and S Products, LLC, proposed glove is compliant with the specification and therefore are recommending the contract be awarded to PH and S Products, LLC.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: October 27, 2008

Roll Call Number: 08-1860

Action: [FirstLine](#) Gloves for an annual contract with two (2) additional one year renewal options to furnish nitrile gloves to be used by the Fire Department, \$32,340. (Nine bids mailed, three received). ([Council Communication No. 08-632](#)) **Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.**

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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