

UNINTERRUPTIBLE POWER SUPPLY EQUIPMENT

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees authorize the administration to purchase fourteen (14) uninterruptible power supply (UPS) units and related accessories from CDW Government, Inc. of Vernon Hills, IL, the lowest responsive bidder as indicated by the asterisk, in an amount not to exceed **\$107,866.00**.

Vendor	Location	Total Cost
CDW Government*	Vernon Hills, IL	\$ 107,866.00
Power Systems Engineering	Homer Glen, IL	\$ 117,880.00

Dr. David Sam, President

Background

The invitation to bid was advertised and sent to six (6) vendors; no in-district vendors were known. A third bid was received after the time specified for the bid opening and was disqualified.

In the past year the College has taken several steps to enhance the quality and reliability of its voice and data networking services. These steps have included a complete refresh of the network switching infrastructure, new external voice and data network connections to both campuses, and a new internet protocol (IP) telephone system. The final component of this plan is to update the UPS equipment.

The UPS units support network equipment in case of a power failure, including the IP telephone system for up to 90 minutes. The devices are installed in network equipment closets across both campuses. In addition, two larger UPS units will be installed in the main data center and phone room to support network and phone system servers.

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