

**Memorandum
Belmont Public Schools**

To: Dr. Patricia Aubin
Superintendent of Schools

From: Dr. Gerry Missal, MCPPO *GM*
Director of Finance, Administration & Capital Planning

Re: Rejecting HVAC repair bid

Date: April 8, 2009

At their April 7th meeting, the School Committee awarded the 2009-10 contract for HVAC repair to Bedford Mechanical at their apparent low bid of \$49 per hour. My memorandum of April 1st with all of the bids is attached.

Since the contract award, it has come to my attention from Pipefitters Local 537 that the bid by Bedford Mechanical was below the prevailing wage rates for this category of work. As indicated on the attached Prevailing Wage Rates sheet from the MA Division of Occupational Safety, the prevailing wage rates for HVAC and pipefitters are all in the mid-to-upper \$60 per hour range. Bedford Mechanical's bid is clearly below this required rate. Thus, I have no choice but to ask the School Committee to reverse their bid award and to re-bid the contract.

I would recommend that the School Committee, at their April 14th meeting, reverse their earlier award of the HVAC repair contract to Bedford Mechanical and reject all bids originally received on March 19, 2009. We will re-bid the contract and have a new recommendation back to the School Committee for their meeting of May 5.

cc: Bob Martin, Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds
Kevin Looney, Manager of Town Buildings & Facilities
Barbara Hagg, Town Accountant
Rep. Will Brownsberger

BELMONT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Belmont, Massachusetts

TO: Patricia Aubin

DATE: April 1, 2009

FROM: Gerry Missal 

RE: HVAC Repair Bid
2009-2010

Invitations to bid on HVAC work for the Belmont Public Schools for the period, July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, were prepared and advertised in the local newspaper on February 26, 2009.

Specifications were requested by two contractors and two bids were received. The bids were opened at 2:00 p.m. on March 19, 2009. Following is a listing of the bids received:

	<u>Service Repair Rate</u>	<u>Current Rate</u>
Bedford Mechanical, Inc. Bedford, Massachusetts	49.00	48.00
R. H. Young Cooling & Heating, Inc. N. Billerica, Massachusetts	95.00	N/A

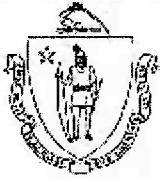
Bedford Mechanical, Inc. has performed this work for us during the current year in a more than satisfactory manner.

It is recommended that the bid from Bedford Mechanical, Inc., dated March 13, 2009 be accepted in accordance with our specifications dated February 26, 2009.

Consistent with ongoing practices, the contract with Bedford Mechanical, Inc., shall also include work for the Town of Belmont through the Board of Selectmen, as well as other Town Boards and Commissions, at the same bid price.

GM:dp

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As determined by the Commissioner under the provisions of the
Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Sections 26 to 27H

GEORGE NOEL
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LAURA M. MARLIN
Commissioner

Awarding Authority: TOWN OF BELMONT

Contract Number:

City/Town: BELMONT

Description Of Work: ELECTRICAL & ELEVATOR REPAIR WORKS

Job Location: VARIOUS

Classification	Effective Dates and Total Rates							
	12/1/2008	12/1/2010	6/1/2009	8/1/2009	2/1/2010	12/1/2009	6/1/2010	12/1/2011
FORK LIFT/CHERRY PICKER	\$56.340	\$61.070	\$57.450		\$58.570	\$58.570	\$59.820	
GENERATOR/LIGHTING PLANT/HEATERS	\$46.290	\$49.780	\$47.110		\$47.930	\$47.930	\$48.850	
GLAZIER (GLASS PLANK/AIR BARRIER/INTERIOR SYSTEMS)	\$56.500		\$57.650		\$58.800			
HOISTING ENGINEER/CRANES/GRADALLS	\$56.340	\$61.070	\$57.450		\$58.570	\$58.570	\$59.820	
HVAC (DUCTWORK)	\$61.020		\$62.270		\$63.520			
HVAC (ELECTRICAL CONTROLS)	\$62.800		\$63.550		\$64.780		\$66.020	
HVAC (TESTING AND BALANCING - AIR)	\$61.020		\$62.270		\$63.520			
HVAC (TESTING AND BALANCING -WATER)	\$64.730		\$65.980		\$67.480		\$68.730	
HVAC MECHANIC	\$64.730		\$65.980		\$67.480		\$68.730	
HYDRAULIC DRILLS	\$45.850	\$50.100	\$46.850		\$47.850	\$47.850	\$48.850	
INSULATOR (PIPES & TANKS)	\$56.860		\$59.260		\$61.660			
IRONWORKER/WELDER	\$56.890		\$58.240		\$59.590		\$60.990	
JACKHAMMER & PAVING BREAKER OPERATOR	\$45.350		\$46.350		\$47.350		\$48.350	
LABORER	\$45.100	\$49.350	\$46.100		\$47.100	\$47.100	\$48.100	
LABORER: CARPENTER TENDER	\$45.100	\$49.350	\$46.100		\$47.100	\$47.100	\$48.100	
LABORER: CEMENT FINISHER TENDER	\$45.100	\$49.350	\$46.100		\$47.100	\$47.100	\$48.100	
LABORER: HAZARDOUS WASTE/ASBESTOS REMOVER	\$45.100	\$49.350	\$46.100		\$47.100	\$47.100	\$48.100	
LABORER: MASON TENDER	\$45.350	\$49.600	\$46.350		\$47.350	\$47.350	\$48.350	
LABORER: MULTI-TRADE TENDER	\$45.100	\$49.350	\$46.100		\$47.100	\$47.100	\$48.100	
LABORER: TREE REMOVER	\$45.100	\$49.350	\$46.100		\$47.100	\$47.100	\$48.100	
LASER BEAM OPERATOR	\$45.350	\$49.600	\$46.350		\$47.350	\$47.350	\$48.350	
MARBLE & TILE FINISHERS	\$54.800	\$59.270	\$56.240		\$56.950	\$56.950	\$58.470	
MARBLE MASONS, TILELAYERS & TERRAZZO MECH	\$65.360	\$70.940	\$67.160		\$68.050	\$68.050	\$69.950	

This wage schedule must be posted at the work site in accordance with M.G.L. ch. 149, sec. 27

Failure of the employer to pay "prevailing wage rates," which are the minimum wage rates listed above, on public works projects is a violation of M.G.L. ch. 149, sec. 27B. Employees not receiving such rates should report the violation to the Office of Fair Labor and Business Practices, 100 Cambridge Street, Boston, MA 02108; Tel: 617-727-3465.



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Prevailing Wage Rates

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	7/1/2008	12/1/2008	12/1/2010	7/1/2009	6/1/2009	12/1/2009	7/1/2010	12/1/2010
MECH. SWEEPER OPERATOR (NON-CONSTRUCTION)	\$27.300	\$27.300	\$27.300	\$28.300	\$28.300	\$28.300	\$29.000	\$29.700
MECH. SWEEPER OPERATOR (ON CONST. SITES)	\$56.020	\$56.020	\$60.720	\$57.130	\$57.130	\$57.130	\$58.230	\$59.470
MECHANICS MAINTENANCE	\$56.020	\$56.020	\$60.720	\$57.130	\$57.130	\$57.130	\$58.230	\$59.470
MILLWRIGHT (Zone 1)	\$53.200	\$53.200	\$53.200	\$54.400	\$54.400	\$54.400	\$54.400	\$54.400
MORTAR MIXER	\$45.350	\$45.350	\$45.350	\$46.350	\$46.350	\$46.350	\$47.350	\$48.350
OILER (OTHER THAN TRUCK CRANES, GRADALLS)	\$40.480	\$40.480	\$40.480	\$41.130	\$41.130	\$41.130	\$41.790	\$42.520
OILER (TRUCK CRANES, GRADALLS)	\$43.300	\$43.300	\$43.300	\$44.030	\$44.030	\$44.030	\$44.760	\$45.590
OTHER POWER DRIVEN EQUIPMENT - CLASS II	\$56.020	\$56.020	\$60.720	\$57.130	\$57.130	\$57.130	\$58.230	\$59.470
PAINTER (BRIDGES/TANKS)	\$61.210	\$61.210	\$61.210	\$62.360	\$62.360	\$62.360	\$63.510	\$63.510
PAINTER (SPRAY OR SANDBLAST, NEW) *	\$57.900	\$57.900	\$57.900	\$59.090	\$59.090	\$59.090	\$60.200	\$60.200
PAINTER (SPRAY OR SANDBLAST, REPAINT)	\$55.960	\$55.960	\$55.960	\$57.110	\$57.110	\$57.110	\$58.260	\$58.260
PAINTER (TRAFFIC MARKINGS)	\$45.100	\$45.100	\$45.100	\$46.100	\$46.100	\$46.100	\$47.100	\$48.100
PAINTER / TAPER (BRUSH, NEW) *	\$56.500	\$56.500	\$56.500	\$57.650	\$57.650	\$57.650	\$58.800	\$58.800
PAINTER / TAPER (BRUSH, REPAINT)	\$54.560	\$54.560	\$54.560	\$55.710	\$55.710	\$55.710	\$56.860	\$56.860
PANEL & PICKUP TRUCKS DRIVER	\$42.090	\$42.090	\$42.090	\$42.090	\$42.090	\$42.090	\$42.090	\$42.090
PIER AND DOCK CONSTRUCTOR (UNDERPINNING AND DECK)	\$58.090	\$58.090	\$58.090	\$60.240	\$60.240	\$60.240	\$62.590	\$65.340
PILE DRIVER	\$58.090	\$58.090	\$58.090	\$60.240	\$60.240	\$60.240	\$62.590	\$65.340
PIPEFITTER & STEAMFITTER	\$64.730	\$64.730	\$64.730	\$65.980	\$65.980	\$65.980	\$67.480	\$68.730
PIPELAYER	\$45.350	\$45.350	\$45.350	\$46.350	\$46.350	\$46.350	\$47.350	\$48.350
PLUMBERS & GASFITTERS	\$64.000	\$64.000	\$64.000	\$65.250	\$65.250	\$65.250	\$66.750	\$68.000
PNEUMATIC CONTROLS (TEMP.)	\$64.730	\$64.730	\$64.730	\$65.980	\$65.980	\$65.980	\$67.480	\$68.730
PNEUMATIC DRILL/TOOL OPERATOR	\$45.350	\$45.350	\$45.350	\$46.350	\$46.350	\$46.350	\$47.350	\$48.350
POWDERMEN & BLASTER	\$46.100	\$46.100	\$46.100	\$47.100	\$47.100	\$47.100	\$48.100	\$49.100
POWER SHOVEL/DERRICK/TRENCHING MACHINE	\$56.340	\$56.340	\$56.340	\$57.450	\$57.450	\$57.450	\$58.570	\$59.820
PUMP OPERATOR (CONCRETE)	\$56.340	\$56.340	\$56.340	\$57.450	\$57.450	\$57.450	\$58.570	\$59.820
PUMP OPERATOR (DEWATERING, OTHER)	\$46.290	\$46.290	\$46.290	\$47.110	\$47.110	\$47.110	\$47.930	\$48.850

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