



Freeport Fire Rescue

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ITEM # 130-22 AND
131-22 SCBA BOTTLES AND
FILL STATION BIDS

June 14, 2022

On June 9, 2022, at 10:00 AM a public bid opening took place at the Public Safety Building conference room for the receipt of bids on the following fire department equipment.

70 Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Bottles

One SCBA Fill Station

Present for the opening were Deputy Chief Sylvain, Chief Conley, John Usher from IPS and Jon Sawyer accompanying IPS.

SCBA Bottles

Industrial Protection Services (IPS)	\$67,408.00
Fire Tech & Safety	No bid submitted

SCBA Fill Station

Industrial Protection Service (IPS) Bauer Compressor	\$40,012.00
Bergeron Protective Clothing Artic Compressors	\$40,534.00
Fire Tech & Safety	No Bid Submitted

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FREEPORT FIRE RESCUE
DEPUTY CHIEFS OFFICE
Deputy Chief Eric Sylvain

To: Fire Rescue Chief Paul Conley
Re: SCBA Cylinder replacement

Date: June 13, 2022

Invitations to bid were sent to two Maine 3M / Scott authorize dealers, the bid was for the replacement of sixty-eight (68), 4.5 30-minute cylinders and two (2) 4.5 60-minute cylinders, only one dealer submitted a bid.

- Industrial Protection Services (IPS) bid – \$67,408.00
- Fire Tech & Safety (FT&S) – Did not bid

In 2008 Freeport Fire Rescue was awarded a grant for the purchase of 3M / Scott SCBA frames, cylinders, face pieces and two RIT packs. IPS was chosen to supply the SCBA components, each year we continue to use IPS for the annual testing and repairs of the 3M / Scott SCBA.

At the end 2022, the current in-service SCBA cylinders will turn 15 years old, this is the life span of a carbon wrapped cylinder and can no longer be refilled.

It is my recommendation that the Freeport Fire Rescue purchase the replacement cylinders from Industrial Protection Services.

Please contact me with further questions,

Eric Sylvain
Deputy Chief
Freeport Fire Rescue

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FREEPORT FIRE RESCUE
DEPUTY CHIEFS OFFICE
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To: Fire Rescue Chief Paul Conley
Re: Breathing Air Compressor / Cylinder Fill Station Replacement

Date: June 14, 2022

Invitations to bid were sent to three dealers that specialize in Breathing Air Compressors and Cylinder Fill Stations. Three dealers were contacted, two dealers submitted bids:

- Industrial Protection Services (IPS), dealer of Bauer Compressors – \$40,012.00
- Bergeron Protective Clothing, dealer of Arctic Compressors- \$40,534.68
- Fire Tech & Safety (FT&S) – Did not bid

Our current Breathing Air Compressor / Cylinder Fill Station was purchased under the 2008 grant. Over the life of the system, we have had multiple issues, water entering the motor making it inoperable. The electronic control head unit being replaced twice. Currently our breathing air compressor has been out of service for the last 9 months due to the manufacturer dropping the line of compressors and not having parts to support repairs. Freeport currently has an agreement with Yarmouth Fire Rescue for the use of their breathing air compressor making filling cylinders challenging.

It is my recommendation that the Freeport Fire Rescue purchase the replacement Breathing Air Compressor / Cylinder Fill Station from Industrial Protection Services dealer of Bauer Compressors. Bauer has been a compressor manufacturer for 75 years, made in Norfolk Virginia USA.

Please contact me with further questions,

Eric Sylvain
Deputy Chief
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