

# Salt Lake City Purchases Quiet, Efficient Compressors

By using a bid evaluation formula developed through the Buy Quiet Program, Salt Lake City, Utah, has obtained a projected savings of nearly \$30,000 over the 5 year life cycle of three 160 CFM, 2 wheel, portable air compressors.

The simple formula used by Salt Lake City was developed at a Buy Quiet Government-Industry Conference conducted in Newark, New Jersey last June. It is:

EBP = P - VNR + CE

### Where:

EBP = the Evaluated Bid Price

P = the Actual Bid (i.e., Purchase)
Price

(i.e., fuel) required to operate the air compressor during its established life cycle

The City calculated VNR using the recommended formula:

 $VNR = Y (P_{AV}) (N_N - N)$ 

## Where:

Y = the percentage weight by which the purchasing agency would "reward" (or "compensate") a bidder for each decibel that his unit is quieter than the loudest unit offered responsively

P<sub>AV</sub> = the average of the Actual Bid Prices for all units offered responsively N<sub>N</sub> = the Noise level of the Noisiest model offered

N = the Noise level of the unit for which EBP is being calculated

The purchasing agency stated in the Invitation for Bids that Y would be equal to 2% (calculated as .02). As can be seen in the tabulations below, PAV equaled \$10,579.75, and N<sub>N</sub> equaled 76 dBA. N for Bidder A was 76 dBA; for Bidder R, 76 dBA; for Bidder C, 74.5 dBA; and for Bidder D, 76 dBA. The City had specified that the maximum acceptable noise level would be 76 dBA measured in accordance with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Air Compressor Noise Test Procedure.

The Purchasing Agency calculated CE using the formula:

CE = FC x AOH x PLY x CEG

#### Where:

FC = the Fuel Consumption rate of the unit offered, expressed in "gallons per hour" (provided by the bidder)

AOH = the projected Annual Operating Hours for the unit (provided by the City)

PLY = the Projected Life of the unit, expressed in Years (provided by the City) As can be seen in the tabulations below, FC for Bidder A was 2.2145; for Bidder B, 2.381375; for Bidder C, 2.8988; and for Bidder D, 2.6903. The specifications required bidders to submit fuel consumption rates for the models they offered and stipulated that those rates were to be determined in accordance with the Compressed Air and Gas Institute Recommended Fuel Consumption Test Procedure. CEG equaled \$1.20 per gallon.

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| Bidder | <u>Mfr.</u>    | N (dBA) | FC (gph) | Р        |
| Α      | Atlas-Copco    | 76.0    | 2,214500 | \$10,598 |
| В      | Ingersoll-Rand | 76.0    | 2,381375 | \$10,627 |
| C      | LeRoi-Dresser  | 74.5    | 2.898800 | \$10,189 |
| D      | Sullair        | 76.0    | 2,690300 | \$10,905 |

Once the calculations for VNR and  $P_{AV}$  were performed, the City then calculated an Evaluated Bid Price (EBP) for each bidder. VNRs, CEs, and EBPs obtained for the four bidders are shown in the table below.

### "Revised" Bid Tabulations

| <u>Bidder</u> | P        | <u>(-) VNR</u> | (+) CE      | EBP         |
|---------------|----------|----------------|-------------|-------------|
| Α             | \$10,598 | \$ 0.00        | \$34,546.20 | \$45,144.20 |
| В             | \$10,627 | \$ 0.00        | \$37,149.48 | \$47,776.48 |
| C             | \$10,189 | \$317.39       | \$45,221.28 | \$55,092.89 |
| D             | \$10,905 | \$ 0.00        | \$41,968.68 | \$52,873.87 |

Had the contract been awarded to the lowest "actual" bidder, Bidder C would have been the successful bidder at a price of \$10,189 (an EBP of \$55,092.89). The contract was awarded to Bidder A, who had a P of \$10,598 (\$409 per unit higher than Bidder C) and an EBP of \$45,144.20 (\$9,948.69 per unit lower than bidder C).

The total contract price was \$31,794 (3x \$10,598). Projected savings on energy alone per unit amounted to \$10,675.08 (\$45,221.28 - \$34,546.20) and 8,895.9 gallons of diesel fuel (2.8988 x 2600 x 5 minus 2.2145 x 2600 x 5, which is equal to 37,684.4 - 28,788.5).

Terry Anderson was the Buyer responsible for this purchase. Clair E. Moffit is the Purchasing Agent for Salt Lake City.

Additional information on this purchase is available from the Buy Quiet Program

Director at NIGP of from Clair Moffit, Purchasing Agent, Salt Lake City Corporation, 320 Circuit Courts Building, 450 S. 200 East, Salt Lake City, UT 84111, telephone (801) 535-7661.



Pictured above are Patti Fricks, Salt Lake City/County Health Dept., and Terry Anderson, Buyer, Salt Lake City Purchasing Dept. verifying sound levels on one of two quiet/efficient air compressors recently purchased.

## Standards and Regulations Division Required Close Out Activities

## (1) NPRM TO AA (IMC)

Complete preamble, action memo, regulation and supporting regulatory analysis. Also assisting DOT in resolving several serious existing technical issues associated with their present compliance regulation.

## (2) NPR to Federal Register

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### (2a) NPRM to Federal Register (IMC)

In addition to developing a comprehensive regulatory analysis and background document, we will be assisting DOT in developing the necessary revision to their attendant compliance regulations.

## (3) Public Comment period

Receive, log and categorize public comments. Begin to develop Agency response to comments and issues.

### (4) Docket Analysis and Submittal of Notice of Rulemaking to AA

Analyze the docket comments, prepare responses and modify the final regulatory package as appropriate. Prepare a separate docket analysis report, write or prepare final preamble and action memo, and upgrade regulatory analysis.

## (5) Administrative Actions

Respond to issues and questions that surface during final clearance process. Prepare legal index of documentation supporting Agency decision.

Proof Federal Register galleys prior to publication. (Needs revising after public comment).

# (6) Final Comments on Regulations and Project Close Out

Section 16 of the NCA permits 90 days for additional comments, questions and/or submission of petitions for Judicial Review of the final regulation. The Agency must respond to any such actions. Additionally, the project records including boxing, indexing and shipment to the Federal Records Center must be completed, as well as the preparation of the project executive summary and attendant program reference materials. There are one hundred and eleven boxes of records related to the ongoing actions that must be retained by OANR which require approximately 120 ft<sup>3</sup> of storage space.

### (7) Miscellaneous

Need for general houskeeping such as routine responses to Congressionals, State and local questions concerning existing regulations, etc. This is likely to be a continuing requirement as long as the Noise Control Act remains in effect.

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