



OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

HALL OF JUSTICE

ROBERT G. LUNA, SHERIFF



February 4, 2025

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street, Room 383
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF TWO (2)
REPLACEMENT FUEL TRUCKS FOR AERO BUREAU
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

The Los Angeles County (County) Sheriff's Department (Department) seeks approval to authorize the acquisition of two (2) replacement fuel trucks. The replacement fuel trucks cost approximately \$347,633 each. This purchase exceeds the \$250,000 capital asset threshold established by the Board of Supervisors (Board) and requires your approval to move forward with the acquisition process.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Authorize the Internal Services Department (ISD), as the County's Purchasing Agent, to proceed with the solicitation and acquisition of two (2) replacement fuel trucks.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of this recommended action is to purchase two fuel trucks for Aero Bureau. These refuelers are large trucks designed to transport fuel between facilities, replacing the two (2) current inoperable refuelers, SX1365 and SX1366, in Aero Bureau's fleet.

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Aero Bureau currently has six (6) refuelers positioned throughout the County to ensure that Jet A-1 grade fuel is accessible for the Department's fleet of helicopters. Jet A-1 is a specific type of aviation fuel used in aircraft.

Due to the age of the current refuelers, they are in constant need of repair, often rendering some inoperable. Aero Bureau also faces challenges in finding parts and components for these refuelers, and often need to be specifically fabricated at a higher premium. Presently, Aero Bureau has six refuelers, two are inoperable, two are located at the Long Beach Airport facility, one is at Pitchess Detention Center helipad, and one at Lost Hills Sheriff's Station. Typically, a refueler is stationed at Brackett Airfield, but due to the limited number of operational refuelers, it has been moved back to Long Beach. The refuelers at Long Beach are currently used to transport Jet A-1 fuel because the inground fuel tanks are inoperable.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended action is consistent with the principles of the County's Strategic Plan's North Star 3: Realize tomorrow's government today; Focus Area Goal G: Internal Controls and Processes, by continuing to strengthen the Department's internal controls and processes and demonstrating fiscal responsibility by effectively and efficiently managing and maximizing the use of County assets to align with the County's highest priority needs.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total estimated cost of two (2) refueler trucks is approximately \$700,000. The purchase will be funded by the use of the Asset Forfeiture Fund.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On October 16, 2001, the Board approved the classification categories for fixed assets and new requirements for major fixed assets (now referred to as capital assets) acquisitions requiring County departments to obtain Board approval to purchase or finance equipment with a unit cost of \$250,000, or greater, prior to submitting their requisitions to ISD.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The acquisition of two (2) refuelers is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act as it will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable impact on the environment in accordance with Section 15061(b)(c) of the State of California Environmental Quality Act guidelines.

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CONTRACTING PROCESS

This is a commodity purchase under the statutory authority of the County's Purchasing Agent. The purchase will be requisitioned through and accomplished by the County's Purchasing Agent in accordance with the County's purchasing policies and procedures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The acquisition of two refuelers will significantly enhance the Department's operational efficiency in fueling its helicopter fleet. With reliable and efficient refueling capabilities, the Department can ensure that helicopters are promptly fueled and ready for deployment, thereby improving response times during critical operations.

CONCLUSION

Upon Board approval, it is requested that the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board return one original executed copy of the Board letter to the Department's Special Operations Division.

Sincerely,



ROBERT G. LUNA
SHERIFF

CUSTOMER PURCHASE AUTHORIZATION

(September 12, 2024)

LA County Sheriff's Department (Customer) hereby directs and authorizes General Transervice, Inc. (GTI) to begin manufacture of the Rampmaster refueler(s) listed Page 2, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth on page 3 of this authorization. GTI will secure the equipment, parts and accessories required for such manufacture to standard factory specifications and proceed with production.

Equipment price is based on our standard specification. Options are provided to meet specific customer requirements and priced separately. Any changes to the specification or additional options that increase cost will be presented to the Customer for approval and acceptance prior to inclusion of those changes into production.

In order to preserve the pricing herein, this authorization letter must be executed not later than 12/12/2024. GTI has used best efforts to provide accurate pricing to Customer, however, due to current extreme fluctuations in the actual costs of the chassis, tank, and other components, as well as supply chain availability of materials and components, the price stated herein may be increased due to surcharges and cost increases imposed by GTI's suppliers. This additional cost will be a pass through to Customer to be paid additionally to the price shown herein.

Payment is due in full upon delivery of the refueler(s) according to the prices below. Transportation costs from the factory are not included and are to be paid by Customer upon delivery.

It is expressly agreed that the Terms and Conditions attached on the third page of this Authorization shall form part of this contract between the parties hereto. My signature on Page 2 indicates that I have read said terms and conditions and have agreed thereto and that I am authorized to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the company below. This contract shall be the governing set of terms and conditions for this transaction and will supersede purchasing and other documents submitted by Customer. Any changes to this Authorization must be captured in an amendment to this document and agreed by signature of both parties.

RAMPMASTER EQUIPMENT

Quantity	Size	Location	Total Cost (Each Unit)
	Rampmaster 5000 Gallon Model SW Refueler with 300 gpm (1/2%) Filter Vessel, EMS Flow Control and Madison Tank Level Gauge	TBD	\$323,799

Initial Desired Options

Initial to select	Option	Total Cost (Each Unit)
	Scully Socket Overfill system	\$3,206
	Madison Electronic level gauge & Display	N/C
	Recirculation Stub	N/C
	Locking Aluminum Storage Box	\$1,479
	Sump tank	\$5,363
	TCS Register	N/C
	Electric Deadman	N/C
	TRAM Fall Protection System	\$6,847
	Prist - Single	\$6,939
	Options Total	\$23,834

Total Truck plus Options \$347,633

General Transervice, Inc.

LA County Sheriff's Department

Signed: _____

Signed: _____

Name Print: _____

Name Print: _____

Title: _____

Title: _____

P.O. Number: _____

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Customer agrees to pay cash for the goods as delivery thereof is tendered unless an alternate form of settlement is indicated on the face of this order.

Customer agrees to pay all taxes imposed by any taxing authority as a result of this transaction, or of the manufacture, sale, ownership or use of the goods described herein or upon the receipts of earnings therefrom except net income taxes levied on GTI.

GTI may, at any time prior to delivery of the goods, discontinue its performance if GTI's performance hereof is, in whole or in part, prevented or hindered by any cause whatsoever beyond GTI's reasonable control.

The risk of loss of any goods ordered hereunder shall pass to Customer when GTI tenders delivery thereof to Customer or any representative of Customer, including but not limited to, any carrier, bailee, agent or employee of Customer, or in any manner specified by Customer.

GTI will use all reasonable means to deliver on the date indicated as shown on the face hereof, but it is hereby agreed that GTI shall have no liability for any loss or damage arising out of any later delivery.

The price of goods ordered hereunder is from GTI's factory based upon standard factory specifications. Any factory transportation thereof is for the Customer's account unless otherwise specified on the first page of this Authorization.

It is understood and agreed that this order embodies the complete understanding of GTI and Customer relative to this order and the terms and conditions hereof may not be revised or modified in any way except in a writing signed by Customer and a corporate officer of GTI.

In the event GTI is required to make changes in or addition to the goods by applicable law prior to the delivery thereof, the price of the goods shall be adjusted to include GTI's usual charges for such changes or additions.

Diesel Fuel Savings Worksheet Utilizing Patented Rampmaster EMS Technology

Size	Gal./Hr.	Fuel Cost	Pumping Hrs <i>per Day</i>	Monthly Savings <i>Per Unit</i>	Yearly Savings <i>Per Unit</i>	Diesel Fuel Savings Over 120 Month Lease Term <i>Per Unit</i>
5,000	1.5	\$4.60	2	\$419.75	\$5,037	\$50,370

Subtotal

Size	Quantity	Diesel Fuel Savings Over 120 Month Lease Term
5,000	1	\$50,370

Grand Total

Quantity	Diesel Fuel Savings Over 120 Month Lease Term
1	\$50,370