

DENVER BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: January 12, 2011

Board Item: V-A-5

Purchase of Ruggedized Laptops for T&D Crews

Action by Consent

Action

Information

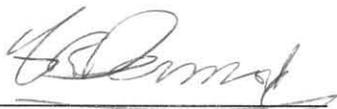
With the advent of new mobile GIS and workforce automation systems designed to improve efficiency and effectiveness of Transmission and Distribution field work, new ruggedized laptops for the T&D crews are needed. The Panasonic Toughbook (Model CF-31) are considered the most appropriate devices, with the best total cost of ownership over five years.

Seventeen (17) Panasonic Toughbooks and needed accoutrements including; vehicle docking station, vehicle power adapter, vehicle antennae & cable, upgraded battery pack, and charger, a port replicator for in office use, and a five (5) year accidental damage protection plan were ordered in late December, 2010 in order to secure product delivery in March, 2011. The combined cost of these devices is approximately \$127,000 (approximately \$7,432 each). Funding for this purchase is included in the 2011 PC Hardware budget.

Recommendation:

It is recommended the Board approve the purchase of seventeen (17) Panasonic Toughbooks as described above, for an amount not to exceed \$127,000.

Approvals:



Chris Dermody,
Director of Information Technology

Respectfully submitted,



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