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MEMORANDUM

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To: Mayor and City Council Members

Cc: Gregg Mandsager, City Administrator

From: Laura Liegois, Solid Waste Manager

Date: March 2, 2015

Recycling Center
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Refuse Collection

Re: Request for Issue a Purchase Order for Containers for the Refuse Collection Program**Introduction:**

The City of Muscatine's Refuse Collection program requested bids for an 3,000 containers for refuse collection pilot program and received four bids on February 24, 2015.

Background:

During the 2013-2014 fiscal year budget presentation for Refuse Collection, staff recommended a pilot program to start moving refuse collection into automated collection. The pilot program started with 900 containers from Rehrig Pacific Company for refuse collection with semi-automated collection, which would ultimately move our program to an automated collection of waste. The City of Muscatine's Comprehensive Plan has a section detailing the use of uniformed containers and automated collection of waste, which was part of the Quality of Life Committee's goals.

The purchase of 3,000 containers, which include 2,500 - 65 gallon and 500 - 95 gallon containers will be placed in the route areas planned for this current fiscal year.

Four bids received on February 24, 2015:

Toter, LLC	\$144,250.00
Rehrig Pacific Company	\$137,750.00
Otto	\$130,880.00
Cascade Engineering Inc	\$124,765.00

Recommendation for the issuing a purchase order for containers for the Refuse Collection program:

Staff recommends the purchase of 3,000 containers from Rehrig Pacific Company for \$137,750.00. The current budget has \$150,000.00 for containers. Rehrig Pacific is not the lowest bidder, but meets the specifications that is requested in the bid request.