
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: DR. JAMES FRANCHINI, SUPERINTENDENT
FROM: MICHAEL OUMET, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR BUSINESS
SUBJECT: BUILDINGS & GROUNDS DEPARTMENT – NYSMEC
DATE: NOVEMBER 2, 2020

The New York State Municipal Energy Consortium (NYSMEC), a cooperative energy purchasing consortium of which our District has participated in for more than a decade, will be bidding the expiring electric and natural gas purchasing agreements for a three year period commencing May 1, 2021. NYSMEC's goal is to reduce energy cost and to provide stable and predictable energy cost through large group joint purchasing of electricity and natural gas by municipal governments and school districts across New York State.

I have attached for your review a presentation from NYSMEC on the origins, operations and goals of the consortium. Also attached are the current rates in place as a result of the 2018 NYSMEC energy purchasing bid process. I am recommending we continue our District's participation in the NYSMEC consortium for the next bidding cycle which provide the previously mentioned benefits and will ensure the District's compliance with State purchasing laws requiring competitive bidding for commodities that are expected to exceed \$20,000 in a fiscal year.

In conjunction with this recommendation, I am forwarding for Board action, two resolutions one for electricity and the other for natural gas authorizing District participation in the NYSMEC energy purchasing bids.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you.