

TOWN OF WINDHAM

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To: Robert Burns, Town Manager
From: Brian Morin, Public Works Director
Date: November 3, 2025
RE: Public Works ten wheel dump truck w/plow equipment 19100-47430 (PW-20)

We are seeking approval to purchase:

We went out to bid on September 2, 2025, with the opening of sealed bid to take place at 185 Windham Center road (Public Works) @2pm on September 23, 2025.

On September 23rd we received three dealer bids listed below.

O'Connor Motors: 2026 Western Star 47X	\$306,693.00
W/ Ext warranty \$5,085	<u>\$311,778.00</u>
Freightliner of Maine/Western Star: 2027 Western Star 47X	\$303,089.00
W/ Ext warranty \$2,435 & \$2,950 27' model	<u>\$308,474.00</u>
Allegiance Trucks: 2027 International HV515 SFA	\$297,933.00
W/Ext warranty \$4,900	<u>\$302,833.00</u>

I would like to recommend the bid of \$308,474.00 to be awarded to Freightliner of Maine for the following reasons.

The 2027 International HV515 SPA features the new S13 which lacks sufficient real-world data especially in municipal plowing operations.

Adopting new powertrain introduces potential risks in reliability, parts availability which could lead to increased about of downtime and cost.

I reached out to Allegiance trucks asking if they had any references that would be able to give us any additional information on the reliability of the new S13 motor.

What I found out is, Raymond Me is the first municipality or government agency to purchase an International HV515 chassis with the new S13 motor for plowing operations on the entire eastern part of the United States.

Another reason to move forward with Freightliner/Western Star is the lead time/delivery, Freightliner can deliver around July of 2026 where International would be closer to the end of 2026.

Being delivered early allows us time to install equipment that our crew is responsible for like radio, safety lights, calibrate the material drop and operate the truck under normal operations ensuring that there are no critical problems that may need to be addressed prior to winter operations.

****note:** in 2023 the Town purchase an International single axle truck which took two years for delivery. Received in August 2025

The recommended bid is well with the budgeted \$350,000, leaving room for contingencies or additional equipment.



Brian Morin

Windham Public Works Director