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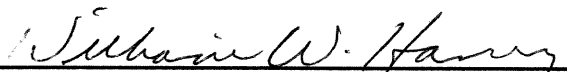
RE: Van Justification

During the FY 95 Budget process OSHA was in the process of changing regulations pertaining to confined space. Our best information at the time informed us that it would be the summer of 1995 before these changes would effect the City of Wasilla. This did not happen, instead they became effective July 1, 1994.

We had to purchase a tripod and two lift winches, a confined space aerator and a manhole securing frame.

A pick-up truck with tool boxes does not provide adequate storage space nor protection from climate changes. We have looked at different types of tool box configurations and none are acceptable. The wear and tear of just throwing this equipment into the back of a pick-up truck would greatly reduce the life expectancy of said equipment, therefore an increase in cost.

A van provides the necessary storage space needed by the sewer division. Purchase of this van will eliminate non productive time by employees having to load and unload necessary equipment on a daily basis. It will also allow for a portable workspace instead of having to return to the shop to use a vise, electricity, or load parts too large to store on a pick-up truck with a utility bed.



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