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Project No. 2685-026-New York

The Middleburgh Fire Department protects a large fire protection area of approximately 150 square miles and 25 miles of the Schoharie Creek. The Middleburgh Fire Department provides a direct automatic mutual aid fire protection to the New York State Power Authority Blenheim-Gilboa New York. We provide fire protection, hazmat, and special teams such as: ice water rescue, swift water rescue, search and rescue teams. We honor the towns of Middleburgh, the Village of Middleburgh and Town of Fulton. The main objective for The Middleburgh Fire Department for the comment on Re-licensing is our issue from financial burden for Emergency Service and to effectively mitigate all types of incidents we may encounter over the next 50 years. The Middleburgh Fire Department's need for financial assistance for over the next 50 years of service is substantial due to the tremendous impact from Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee. The Village of Middleburgh and the Towns of Middleburgh and Fulton's fire districts taken a financial burden from these storms. Mass flooding occurred throughout the valley resulting in severe damage. The Fire Department's funds were used to help sustain the infrastructures of our fire district for which we never lost water supply during these events. This was major, due to the fact we were also covering three other fire districts which had lost equipment and their own fire houses. Overall, with the help of grants in the past Middleburgh Fire Department has become a self-sufficient. Now with Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee's impact hitting us hard and paralyzing our community our department must seek help to recover from this tragedy. With all the damage and destruction to our community we are extremely blessed that all first responders went home safe and no fatalities were reported. If it wasn't for the NYS Power Authority program and the Middleburgh Fire Department in being successful in obtaining funding in the past, things may not have turned out as well as they did. The Middleburgh Fire Department single handedly rescued over 225 people from the village during Hurricane Irene with no outside support. The past NYPA grants helped our department to reach new levels in areas of training and equipment. We would like to continue this mission and add some important equipment to our team. Middleburgh with heavy rains becomes an island and we must take care of ourselves outside help is not easy to obtain. The Middleburgh Fire Department is seeking funding over the next 50 years to honor our mission and to adequately to fulfill our mission. Enclosed is a list of opportunities we face with meeting our mission from financial burden for emergency services. The Middleburgh Fire Department feels with this much needed resources we can prepare and train for almost any event over the next 50 years. Savings life is number one priority in the Middleburgh Fire Department. This funding will provide full coverage of the Power Authority property with our first due mutual aid response. This will also ease the financial burden on our community which is unable to meet our demands. This will also benefit our budget in years to come because we can use more of our budget to keep up to date on training and

equipment. Seeking funding over the next 50 years, we will provide direct fire protection for our population of approximately 4,600 residents. With the tremendously and devastating impact from Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee, the Middleburgh Fire Department was self-sufficient. However now this funding is a necessity to continue our mission and provide the utmost best fire protection possible especially in this time of need. Our community and county are devastated and needs our support especially in our mutual aid locations which have lost their fire houses from these storms. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Middleburgh Fire Department proposals to New York Power Authority  
Relicensing Committee.  
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Blenheim-Giloba Pumped Storage Project  
New York Power Authority

Proposals:

Building Renovation/Rehabilitate  
Quote \$10,167,370.00

2 Ladder Truck Quint  
(replacement of 1 unit after 25 years)  
Quote \$3,500,000.00

2 Fire Engine Pumper/Tanker  
(replacement of 1 unit after 25 years)  
Quote \$567,469.00

2 SEFU Storm Emergency Fire Unit (state contract)  
(replacement of 1 unit after 25 years)  
Quote \$440,000.00

First Responder units  
(replacement of 1 unit after 25 years)  
Quote \$225,000.00

New Turn Out Gear (state contract)  
(NFPA requires replacement every 10yrs.)  
Quote \$425,000.75

Jaws of Life new set w/back up  
Quote \$79,845.32

Total \$15,404,685.07



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