This is a new competitively bid contract for grounds maintenance equipment for the Department of Facilities Management. Approval is requested for a five (5) year term with eight (8) recommended bidders and contract spending authority of $2,000,000.

**Procurement Type:** Invitation for bids  
**Procurement Authority:** Educ. §5-112  
**Number of Vendors Requesting Solicitation:** 12  
**Number of Bids Received:** 8  
**Term:** 5 years  
**Extension:** N/A  
**End Date:** 12/31/2024  
**Contract Spending Authority:** $2,000,000  
**Funding Source:** Operating budget

**Description:**
- This contract will provide for various grounds maintenance equipment for the Department of Facilities Management. Equipment includes, but is not limited to, mowing equipment, utility vehicles, spraying equipment, irrigation products, portable power equipment, tractors, excavators, other power equipment, and miscellaneous attachments.
- This contract will replace contract JMI-611-15, which will expire on December 31, 2019.
- The average annual expenditures on contract JMI-611-15 were $271,264, and total contract expenditures to date are $1,356,320, including over $408,000 and $327,000 in FY2017 and FY2019, respectively.

**Method of Award Recommendation:**
This award recommendation was made to all responsive responsible bidders.

**Blueprint 2.0:**
This contract supports Blueprint 2.0: Goal 2, Safety and Security, Strategic Initiative D.

**Recommended Award To:**
- Deere & Company  
  Cary, NC  
  Hunt Valley, MD  
  Severn, MD  
  Bel Air, MD  
  South Plainfield, NJ  
  Upperco, MD  
  Baltimore, MD  
  Jessup, MD
- Finch Services, Inc.  
- Gambrills Equipment Company, Inc.  
- Hickory International, Inc.  
- Jesco, Inc.  
- Liberty Discount Lawn Equipment & Appliances, Inc.  
- Security Equipment Co.  
- Turf Equipment & Supply Co., Inc.
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