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OSM-63-105

TO : Chairman, Equipment Board 1 February 1963

FROM : Chief, Operations Support Staff, OC

SUBJECT: Procurement of EP-12 Reproducers and CA-12 Cartridges

1. Six prototype EP-12 Reproducers for medium speed base positions have been received from the manufacturer and evaluated. After the A&A and Operational Evaluation, five units were returned to the manufacturer for modification aimed at eliminating certain undesirable or unneeded features. These recorders will be returned to us by the manufacturer for further testing during the week of 4 February. The request for procurement of these receivers is being brought before the Board at this time - rather than waiting until the units have been re-evaluated - because of the urgent need for this recorder. Because of this it is hoped that, if the returned units are satisfactory, a contract can be let immediately after the forthcoming evaluation of the modified units.

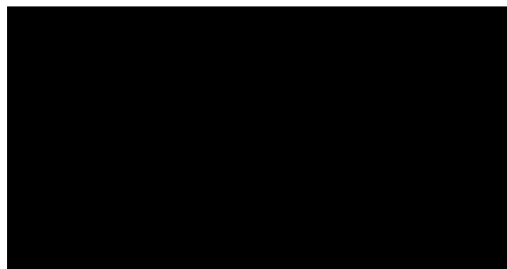
2. The manufacturer advises that production models will become available 120 days after a contract is let. The manufacturer's unit cost estimates for the EP-12 are as follows:

In lots of 25: 1,314.00 each
 In lots of 50: 1,150.00 each

Additionally, the manufacturer has provided the following unit cost estimates on the CA-12 tape cartridge which is used with the EP-12:

In lots of 200: \$25.95 each
 In lots of 400: \$24.40 each

3. Board approval for the procurement of 50 EP-12 reproducers and 400 CA-12 cartridges is requested. Intended distribution of EP-12 reproducers is as follows:



* Plus one prototype

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4. SPS has been provided information on the EP-12 and has been advised that procurement of this equipment will be on the Board agenda for 6 February. Any quantities SPS may require will be in addition to those shown above.

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