

COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES WASHINGTON, D.C. 2054

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June 12, 1973

The Honorable Arthur F. Suspects Acting Administrator General Services Administration

Dear Mr. Maspeons

By letter dated May 10, 1973, with enclosures, the General Counsel recommends rescission of contract No. 1867, swarded to The Little Garage, Inc., for a 1967 used International pickup truck at a price of \$1,500 under item 377 of sales invitation No. 8098-73-74.

We have reviewed the administrative file and, on the basis of the information contained therein which discloses that (1) the predstermined upset price for the item was \$800; (2) the "Blue Book" range was between \$850 (trade-in price) and \$1,325 (retail price); and (3) the next highest bid was \$1,231.60, it may be concluded that the contracting officer was on notice of rossible error in the bid of The Little Garage, Inc. Accordingly, and since bid verification was not requested prior to sward, the sales contract may be rescinded as recommended.

Sincirely yours,

PAUL G. DEMBLING

For the Comptroller General of the Doited Birtes

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