

# Five contractors bid to demolish building of former Page Dairy

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The Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority has accepted bids from five contractors to demolish the Page Dairy building at Wade and Knapp streets. *Aug. 19, 1994*

The building's razing is part of the revitalization of land around Central Union Terminal. *Blade*

Homrich Wrecking, a Carleton Mich., company, offered the lowest quote, \$327,000, to demolish the building, crush the concrete foundation, and haul away the debris.

Homrich also made a separate bid of \$257,000 to raze the building and stockpile the rubble on site.

Paul Toth, project engineer, said the bids will be reviewed this week and a recommendation will be made to the port board at its next meeting Aug. 25.

Other companies that offered a base and alternate bid are: Dore & Associates, River Rouge, Mich., \$370,000 and \$430,000; Best Group, Inc., Detroit, \$368,000 for both; Midwest Environmental Control, Toledo, \$327,000 and \$362,000, and R.J. Brown Associates, Toledo, \$361,110 and \$450,000.

The building was slated for demo-

lition in July, but delays in receiving funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development slowed the process, said Chip Hannon, director of grant management for the port authority.

Mr. Hannon said the area left in the wake of the demolition will be used for parking or green space.

Once the demolition contract is signed, it will take 30 to 45 days to procure permits, Mr. Hannon said, adding that 60 days of demolition work will follow.

The dairy, which was built in 1913, has been the target of vandalism and fires since 1975.

The Ohio Historic Preservation Office approved the building's demolition in May.

The building's removal "fits into the overall picture for downtown," Mr. Hannon said. He added that Central Union Terminal will be rehabilitated to look like its original construction.