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June 13, 2007

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable School Board Members

FROM: Kendra Goodman, CPPB, Purchasing Agent

RE: Permission to Negotiate for Milk and Milk Products
Bid # 07-019-DR: Milk & Milk Products - Food & Nutrition Services

On July 11, 2006, official action was taken to award the above-referenced bid to Clover Creek Foods. This bid is a three-year contract, renewable annually based upon mutual consent of both parties. Considering services have been satisfactory, Ivan Whishard, Owner, Clover Creek Foods, was contacted to verify his willingness to enter into the second year of the agreement. At the last minute, Ivan Whishard, Owner, Clover Creek Foods, declined to renew the Milk and Milk Products bid due to last minute price increases from his supplier.

Rick Kurtz, Director of Food and Nutrition Service, is requesting permission to go out for emergency negotiations with interested parties for Milk and Milk Products, as a result of Clover Creek declining to renew the Milk and Milk Products bid. After contacting surrounding counties to review their current milk bids, Rick Kurtz believes that we can negotiate better pricing than the surrounding counties' bids.

Per the Board of Education Rule 6A-7.0411(2)(i)2 states: (b) *The district school board has made a finding that an emergency situation exists and may enter into negotiations with suppliers of milk and shall have the authority to execute contracts under whatever terms and conditions as the board determines to be in the best interest of the school system.* District School Board of Pasco County policy EFA states: *All food supply items will be purchased on a competitive basis by the purchasing agent in cooperation with the director of food and nutrition services in accordance with the State Board of Education rule 6A-1.012. When in the best interest of the district school board, and with prior agreement between the purchasing agent, and the director of food and nutrition services, certain food products may be exempt as provided for in State Board of Education Rule 6A-7.042.*

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In addition, we have verbally confirmed with Mr. David Martin, Auditor General's Office, that negotiations can be conducted as long as Board policy, D.O.E., and Federal guidelines are met. We are requesting permission from the Board to enter into negotiations with interested parties to supply milk for our District. All policies, rules, guidelines, and regulations will be followed during this process and the final contract will be forwarded for your approval.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, or if I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

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Attachments (4)

Date/Time: June 13, 2007 11:21:00