

## **District School Board of Pasco County**

20430 Gator Lane • Land O' Lakes, Florida 34638 • 813/794-2221

Heather Fiorentino, Superintendent

www.pasco.k12.fl.us

Department of Purchasing

Kendra Goodman, CPPO, CPPB, Purchasing Agent

813/ 794-2221 727/ 774-2221 Fax: 813/794-2111 TDD: 813/794-2484

352/ 524-2221

e-mail: kgoodman@pasco.k12.fl.us

December 7, 2010

## MEMORANDUM

TO:

Honorable School Board Members

FROM:

Kendra Goodman, CPPO, CPPB, Purchasing Agent

SUBJECT:

Purchases of Technology Solutions with Related Equipment and Accessories from

CDW-Government Inc. (CDWG) through National Joint Powers Alliance

Bid #111309-CDW

On January 19, 2010, official action (attached) was taken to permit the District to join The National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA), and to approve a "blanket" process for computer-related equipment and supplies purchased from CDWG. As previously noted, F.S. 163.01, the Florida Interiocal Cooperation Act, allows the District to purchase from contracts competitively solicited by another governmental agency. NJPA is a governmental agency under Minnesota Statute 471.345, acting as a self-supporting business in the State of Minnesota. It is funded by vendor administrative fees. There is no cost to the District to either join or participate in NJPA, and participation is non-exclusive (the District can purchase from other vendors should it be in our best interest to do so). NJPA provides the District with very competitive pricing for technology supplies, equipment and accessories on an as-needed basis.

We are requesting permission to place purchase orders to CDWG in an amount not to exceed \$600,000 for the period January 20, 2011 – January 19, 2012. This is the same blanket amount which has been requested, and approved, for prior twelve (12)-month periods. Purchases are made by schools and departments, with funding provided through general, capital, or federal funds. District staff is able to verify NJPA discounted pricing on-line for ease of ordering, and the contract permits larger discounts for volume purchases. The Purchasing Department monitors and calculates CDWG purchases on a monthly basis to verify that the approved dollar limit is not exceeded.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

KDG/az Attachments

District Wide Accreditation • Southern Association of Colleges and Schools

Date/Time: December 1, 2010 10:31:00



## **District School Board of Pasco County**

20430 Gator Lane • Land O' Lakes, Florida 34638 • 813/794-2221

Heather Fiorentino, Superintendent

www.pasco.k12.fl.us

Department of Purchasing Kendra Goodman, CPPO, CPPB, Purchasing Agent

813/794-2221 727/ 774-2221

Fax: 813/794-2111 TDD: 813/794-2484

352/ 524-2221

e-mail: kgoodman@pasco.k12.fl.us

January 19, 2010

## MEMORANDUM

TO:

FROM:

SUBJECT:

Kendra Goodman, CPPO, CPPB, Purchasing Agent

Purchases of Took Purchases of Technology Solutions with Related Equipment and Accessories from

CDW-Government Inc. (CDWG) through National Joint Powers Alliance Bid #111309

On September 15, 2009, official action (attached) was taken to approve a "blanket" process for computer-related equipment and supplies purchased from CDWG. The Manatee County School Board's bid, which the District had piggybacked, expired on December 31, 2009. Purchasing has identified a different vehicle the District can use for purchasing these commodities.

F.S. 163.01, the Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act, allows the District to purchase from contracts competitively solicited by another governmental agency. The National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) is a governmental agency under Minnesota Statute 471.345, acting as a self-supporting business in the State of Minnesota. It is funded by vendor administrative fees. There is no cost to the District to either join or participate in NJPA, and participation is non-exclusive (the District can purchase from other vendors should it be in our best interest to do so). Ms. Nancy Alfonso, Board Attorney, has reviewed all the documentation regarding NJPA (on file in the Purchasing Department) and agrees that the District can join the Alliance to obtain its very competitive pricing on an as-needed basis.

We are requesting permission to join NJPA, and to place purchase orders to CDWG in an amount not to exceed \$600,000 for the period January 20, 2010 - January 19, 2011. This is the same blanket amount which has been requested, and approved, for prior twelve (12)-month periods. Purchases are made by schools and departments, with funding provided through general, capital, or federal funds. District staff will be able to verify NJPA discounted pricing on-line for ease of ordering, and the contract permits larger discounts for volume purchases. The Purchasing Department monitors and calculates CDWG purchases on a monthly basis to verify that this dollar limit is not exceeded.

Once the District joins NJPA, Purchasing will be able to review pricing structures for the many other commodities they have on bid (athletic supplies, carpeting, MRO supplies, etc.) Should those contracts prove advantageous for District use, they will be brought to the Board separately for review and approval.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

KDG/az **Attachments** 

JAN 19 20101

Approved Disce.