Management and Accountability
Carol Cortes, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: PRE-QUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS FOR EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION

On December 9, 1998, The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida adopted School Board Rule 6Gx13-7D-1.05, Pre-Qualification of Contractors for Educational Facilities Construction. This rule was created pursuant to Section 235.31 of the Florida Statutes and State Requirements for Educational Facilities (1997), which require school districts to prequalify contractors prior to their bidding on school work. This new law became effective July 1, 1998.

The following contractors have submitted all required information and are being recommended for pre-qualification.

CONTRACTOR	SINGLE PROJECT DOLLAR VALUE	AGGREGATE DOLLAR VALUE	TYPE OF WORK
Arbor Tree & Landscape Co., Inc.	640,000	2,000,000	Land Clearing/Tree Trimming/Removal Contractor
Handex of Florida, Inc.	600,000	12,000,000	Environmental Contractor
Pedro Falcon Electrical Contractors, Inc.	2,000,000	20,000,000	Electrical/General Contractor

The following contractor has been found not to be eligible for pre-qualification at this time. This decision was based on State Requirements for Educational Facilities, Chapter 4 (8) (a) 3.

CONTRACTOR

Merkury Development Corp.

TYPE OF WORK
General Contractor

RECOMMENDED:	That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:		
	a)	approve the above list of contractors for pre-qualification, and authorize staff to issue a certificate to each contractor, certifying pre-qualification for a period of one (1) year.	
	b)	declare Merkury Development Corp. as not eligible for pre- qualification at this time, and authorize the Superintendent to officially inform the contractor of such ineligibility.	
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