

Financial Affairs
Richard H. Hinds, Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: TERMINATE AWARD OF BID #228-VV02M/WBE – HERBICIDE

This bid was awarded by the Board on April 15, 1998, and renewed on June 23, 1999, to establish a contract, to purchase, at a firm unit price, quantities, as may be required, of herbicide, for Stores and Mail Distribution stock.

Item 1 – Herbicide, dry pack, was awarded to BIKO Engineering, of Hernando, Florida. Subsequent to the award, the manufacturer, Monsanto, has discontinued packaging this product in one-ounce packets and now packages the product only in bulk 23.25 pound boxes. Inasmuch as BIKO Engineering was not notified by Monsanto of this change until after the bid was renewed, the below recommendation reflects that the Board not implement the prescribed default provision, as noted in Board Rule 6Gx13- 3C-1.08 -- Performance And Payment Security, Declining A Bid Award, And Bonding Company Qualifications, as BIKO Engineering was not at fault. Competitive prices will be solicited for these items, as the need arises, pursuant to Board Rule 6Gx13- 3C-1.111 – Bidding Process – Competitive Bidding Requirements, which describes the procedures and guidelines to be used for bidding based on the estimated dollar expenditure.

Fund Source
0100-General

M/WBE Eligibility
African American Male - \$52,972.33

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. **TERMINATE** the award of item 1 - on Bid #228-VV02M/WBE – HERBICIDE, effective December 8, 1999, as follows:

BIKO ENGINEERING
P.O. BOX 522
HERNANDO, FL 34442
OWNER: RUBEN MYERS

ESTIMATE \$52,972.33
(AM)

Low Unit Price: Only Item – Herbicide, dry pack, non-selective, for killing vegetation @ \$31.23 per box.

2. Not implement the prescribed default provision, as noted in Board Rule 6Gx13- 3C-1.08 -- Performance And Payment Security, Declining A Bid Award, And Bonding Company Qualifications, on BIKO Engineering, of Hernando, Florida.

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