Financial Affairs
Richard H. Hinds, Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: CORRECT AWARD OF ITEM 3 ON BID #158-ZZ02 - LAWN EQUIPMENT, POWER

This bid was awarded by the Board on July 19, 2000, to establish a contract, to purchase, at firm unit prices, quantities, as may be required, of power lawn equipment, for various locations.

Item 3 – Blower, leaf, hand-held, was awarded to Homestead Mower Center, Inc., of Homestead, Florida. Subsequent to the award, it was noted that the Department of Materials Testing and Evaluation made an error in the evaluation process of this item. Inasmuch as it has now been determined that the awarded item does not meet specifications, the recommendation reflects that the award of item 3 to Homestead Mower Center, Inc., be terminated and re-awarded to the low bidder meeting specifications.

Fund Source Various

M/WBE Eligibility
None

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

1. **TERMINATE** the award of item 3 on Bid #158-ZZ02 – LAWN EQUIPMENT, POWER, effective October 11, 2000, as follows:

HOMESTEAD MOWER CENTER, INC.

1000 NORTH FLAGLER AVENUE

HOMESTEAD, FL 33030 ESTIMATE \$8,029.45

OWNER: TED WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT

Low Unit Price Meeting Specifications: Item 3 – Blower, leaf, hand-held @ \$145.99 each.

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 RE-AWARD Item 3 on Bid #158-ZZ02 - LAWN EQUIPMENT, POWER effective October 11, 2000, through July 13, 2001, to the fourth low bidder meeting specifications, as follows:

BEST EQUIPMENT AND REPAIR, INC.
13280 S.W. 120 STREET
MIAMI, FL 33186 ESTIMATE \$10,945
OWNER: LANCE A. COOPER, PRESIDENT

Fourth Low Unit Price Meeting Specifications: Item 3 - Blower, leaf, hand-held @ \$199 each.

3. Authorize the Bureau of Procurement and Materials Management to purchase up to the total estimated amount of \$10,945. The award shall be made subject to the resolution of bid protests, if any.

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