

January 4, 2001

Financial Affairs
Richard H. Hinds, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT: TERMINATE AND RE-AWARD ITEMS 3, 7A AND 7B 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, Item 7A - Mower, riding and Item 7B - Mower, riding, were awarded to Best Equipment and Repair, Inc., of Miami, Florida. Subsequent to the award, the awardee failed to perform in accordance with the terms and conditions of the bid. Based on the failure of this vendor to perform, it is recommended that the award of these items be terminated and that the vendor pay liquidated damages in the amount of \$2,245.90 (check on file), pursuant to Board Rule 6Gx13- 3C-1.08 - - Performance And Payment Security, Declining A Bid Award, And Bonding Company Qualifications. The recommendation reflects the re-award of these items to the third 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 Items 3, 7A and 7B on Bid #158-ZZ02 - LAWN EQUIPMENT, POWER, effective January 17, 2001, as follows:

BEST EQUIPMENT AND REPAIR, INC.
13280 S.W. 120 STREET
MIAMI, FL 33186 ESTIMATE \$18,270
OWNER: LANCE COOPER, PRESIDENT

Low Unit Price Meeting Specifications: Item 3.
Low Unit Price: Item 7B.
Low Unit Price Meeting Specifications: Item 7A.

Item 3 - Blower, leaf, hand-held @ \$199 each.
Item 7A - Mower, riding with 44" deck @ \$2,995 each.
Item 7B - Mower, riding with 52" deck @ \$3,095 each.

2. **RE-AWARD** Items 3, 7A and 7B on Bid #158-ZZ02 - LAWN EQUIPMENT, POWER, effective January 17, 2001, through July 31, 2001, to the third low bidder meeting specifications, as follows:

DEGEN'S TURF AND GARDEN, INC.
3912 SOUTH STATE ROAD 7
MIRAMAR, FL 33023 ESTIMATE \$18,870
OWNER: TERRY ANGELOTTI, PRESIDENT

Third Low Unit Price Meeting Specifications: Item 7A.
Second Low Unit Price: Item 7B.

Item 7A - Mower, riding with 44" deck @ \$3,065 each.
Item 7B - Mower, riding with 52" deck @ \$3,225 each.

NORTH MIAMI LAWNMOWER
855 N.E. 130 STREET
NORTH MIAMI, FL 33161 ESTIMATE \$11,488.40
OWNER: LINDA SKINNER, SECRETARY/TREASURER

Second Low Unit Price Meeting Specifications: Item 3.

3. Accept payment of liquidated damages in the amount of \$2,245.90 (check on file), from Best Equipment and Repair, Inc., of Miami, Florida, for items 3, 7A and B.
4. Retain Best Equipment and Repair, Inc., of Miami, Florida, as an active vendor.
5. Authorize the Bureau of Procurement and Materials Management to purchase up to the total estimated amount of \$30,358.40. The award shall be made subject to the resolution of bid protests, if any.

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