

Business Operations  
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**SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF TERM CONTRACT WITH DECON ENVIRONMENTAL & ENGINEERING, INC. FOR GENERAL REMOVAL OF ASBESTOS CONTAINING MATERIALS FOR SCHOOLS IN ACCESS CENTERS 5 AND 6 (CONTRACT NO. ASB/TB-2002-GR/5 & 6)**

**COMMITTEE: FACILITIES MANAGEMENT**

Background

The School Board, at its meeting of May 15, 2002, awarded a term contract for General Removal of Asbestos Containing Materials for schools in ACCESS Centers 5 and 6 bearing Project No. ASB/TB-2002-GR/5&6, to Decon Environmental & Engineering, Inc. The term of the contract was for one year commencing on May 16, 2002, or a maximum compensation of \$500,000, whichever occurred earlier, except that at the Board's sole option, the contract could be extended for an additional one-year term, under the same terms and conditions.

Currently, as a result of the limited availability of contractors, staff has determined that it is in the best interest of the Board to delay new Bid requests until the following year. The current asbestos contractors have been favorably evaluated by the department staff and hold current Contractor Pre-qualification certificates. Consequently, staff has concluded that the current term contracts should be extended to provide uninterrupted asbestos response capabilities. Therefore, staff recommends that the Board extend the current contract for schools in ACCESS Centers 5 and 6, Contract ASB/TB-2002-GR/5&6, between Decon Environmental & Engineering, Inc. and Miami-Dade County Public Schools, under the same terms and conditions, for an additional year from May 17, 2003 until May 16, 2004.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to extend the current term contract for General Removal of Asbestos Containing Materials for schools in ACCESS Centers 5 and 6, Contract ASB/TB-2002-GR/5 & 6, between Decon Environmental & Engineering, Inc. and Miami-Dade County Public Schools, under the same terms and conditions, for an additional year from May 17, 2003 until May 16, 2004, provided that new bonds and insurance certificates are submitted accordingly.

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