

Financial Affairs
Edward Marquez, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE OTHER ENTITY BIDS
FOR PURCHASES OVER \$100,000**

COMMITTEE: BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

Authorization is requested to utilize the Florida Department of Education Bid No. 2003-15, Plan B - SCHOOL BUSES 2003, which expires March 19, 2004, to provide school buses, for the Department of Transportation. Under the IDEA Project for fiscal year 2003-2004, \$815,360 has been provided for the purchase of 10 additional air-conditioned school buses equipped with wheelchair lifts, to assist with the scheduling to transport disabled students in need of air-conditioned buses.

Fund Source
0420 - Contracted Programs Fund

M/WBE Eligibility
None

FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS
7703 INDUSTRIAL LANE
TAMPA, FL 33637-6738

\$815,360

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **AUTHORIZE** Procurement Management Services, to utilize the Florida Department of Education Bid No. 2003-15, Plan B - SCHOOL BUSES 2003, to provide school buses, for the Department of Transportation, for a total amount of \$815,360.

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