

Business Operations
Ofelia San Pedro, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REJECT BID NO. 107-DD04 - WIRELESS TELE-COMMUNICATION SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT (VOICE AND DATA)

COMMITTEE: BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

The purpose of this bid, opened on September 21, 2004, was to purchase, at firm unit prices, quantities, as may be required, of wireless telephone and data services for the Division of Energy, Communication and Fiscal Management, and Maintenance Operations. Of 60 vendors sent bid forms or card notices of this advertised bid, 11 responded, with 5 regular bids, and 6 bids not meeting specifications.

The bid responses were benchmarked against Palm Beach County Public Schools, Broward County Public Schools and the State of Florida. A comparison with the State of Florida pricing indicates that the District could obtain more cost-effective pricing by utilizing the state's contract, than by awarding the pricing received on the District's bid. For example, the monthly local service charge for cellular wireless communications on the District's bid was \$30 to \$38 per month. The State of Florida monthly local service charge is \$24.99. Radio wireless communications on the District's bid was \$45.91 to \$65 per month. The State of Florida monthly charge for radio wireless communications is \$32.79. Therefore, inasmuch as all bids meeting specifications are considered excessive under current market conditions, the recommendation reflects that all bids received for these items be rejected.

Pursuant to Board Rule 6Gx13- 3C-1.10 -- Non-Salaried Expenditures, PURCHASE APPROVAL, which describes the procedures and guidelines to be used for utilizing contracts, awarded by other governmental agencies, wireless telecommunication services will be provided through State Contract No. 725-000-03-1 - CELLULAR AND PAGING EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES, effective December 20, 2002, through December 19, 2005.

Fund Source
0100 - General

M/WBE Eligibility
None

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