Business Operations Ofelia San Pedro, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT:

REJECT BID NO. 008-EE06 - REFRIGERANT GASES

COMMITTEE:

BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

The purpose of this bid, opened on September 21, 2004, was to pre-qualify vendors, to purchase, quantities, as may be required, of refrigerant gases, for Maintenance Materials Management stock. Of 9 vendors sent bid forms or card notices of this advertised bid, 1 responded, with 1 bid meeting specifications.

This is a first-time bid for M-DCPS. Inasmuch as refrigerant gases are currently a volatile commodity, the bid was structured to establish a pool of vendors eligible to quote on the District's requirements. However, only one vendor provided a response to the bid, which precludes the District from conducting the competitive quotes process.

Subsequent to the opening of the bid, staff located two additional vendors for these products, who have indicated an interest in responding to the District's solicitation.

The bid specifications will be revised, to obtain firm, fixed pricing for the initial ninety (90) days of the contract and, thereafter, to obtain spot market quotes for the quantities requested.

Miami-Dade County has a similar bid for refrigerant gases that the District will access, to purchase quantities, as needed, until the M-DCPS rebid is issued and awarded.

Fund Source 0100 - General

M/WBE Eligibility
None

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, REJECT Bid No. 008-EE06 — REFRIGERANT GASES, to permit rebidding, using revised specifications.

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