

Office of School Facilities  
Rose Diamond, Chief Facilities Officer

**SUBJECT:           AWARD TO HEWETT-KIER CONSTRUCTION, INC.  
PROJECT NO. A0804  
DESIGN-BUILD - NEW FACILITY AT  
CENTRAL WEST TRANSPORTATION CENTER  
13775 NW 6 STREET, MIAMI, FLORIDA**

**COMMITTEE:       FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION REFORM**

This project is for a new transportation facility including offices, garages, maintenance facilities and support services. The facility will provide parking for approximately 245 buses and approximately 160 employee vehicles. Also included are ten bus bays and a fueling island. The project will be built in three phases. The phases are as follows:

- Phase I -     Parking storage for the buses.
- Phase II -    New building facility.
- Phase III-    Demolition of existing building and new employee parking.

Three Design-Build contractors responded to the Request for Qualifications and three were selected for invitation to bid on the design criteria package. One Design-Build contractor bid the project. The estimate of the Design Criteria Professional and their Independent Cost Estimator is \$8,750,170. The Base Bid of the sole bidder is 0.7% under the independent cost estimate.

This project includes minority business enterprise subcontracting assistance levels.

The bid was received and opened on August 2, 2005 by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and was tabulated and analyzed as follows:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>BOND/ CHECK</u>	<u>BASE BID</u>
Hewett-Kier Construction, Inc. Pompano Beach, FL	5%	\$8,690,000

Distribution

Base Bid (Design Build) .....	\$ 8,690,000
Total Contract .....	8,690,000
Design Criteria Professional Fee .....	72,140
Other Professional Services .....	298,740
Administrative Overhead .....	784,691
Project Contingency.....	437,509
Total Funds Required .....	\$10,283,080

Fund Source

Fund           0390 - COPS 2001-02  
Program       1112 - Central West Transportation  
Location       9237

This project is a design-build project. It is scheduled for substantial completion on November 24, 2006, which is 465 calendar days from date of award.

The Design Criteria Professional, Brown & Brown Architects and District staff recommended award of the contract to the sole bidder, Hewett-Kier Construction, Inc.

The Principal/Owner of Hewett-Kier Construction, Inc. is Mr. James R. Hewett. The Project Architect is Palenzuela & Hevia Design Group, Inc. and the Principal/Owner is Mr. Eugenio Palenzuela.

This project was bid with M.B.E. subcontracting assistance levels of 18% African-American and 6% Women. The recommended contractor will submit M/WBE subcontractors as participants in this project which will be reviewed and monitored for compliance with overall M/WBE assistance levels of 24%.

DB M/WBE Eligibility  
None

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to award Project No. A0804, Design-Build - New Facility, at Central West Transportation Center, on the basis of Base Bid in the amount of \$8,690,000 to the sole bidder:

Hewett-Kier Construction, Inc.  
3451 NW 14 Avenue  
Pompano Beach, Florida 33064

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