

Freddie Woodson, Associate Superintendent
School Operations

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT (FPL) COMPANY TO PROVIDE APPLIED TECHNOLOGY TRAINING IN ELECTRIC LINE SERVICE AND REPAIR, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$60,000, EFFECTIVE AUGUST 31, 2006, THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2007

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

School Operations is requesting authorization to enter into a contractual agreement with the Florida Power & Light (FPL) Company to provide the Line Specialist Training Program, applied technology training in electric line service and repair. This contractual agreement has been in effect since August 2004.

This training program will serve approximately 50 secondary and postsecondary students who wish to pursue a career as line specialists, at Miami Lakes Educational Center and other centers. Based on the number of student participants, the contract will be in an amount not to exceed \$60,000, effective August 31, 2006, through August 31, 2007. The technical component of the Line Specialist Training will be provided by certified instructors, supplied by FPL. All educational materials owned by FPL will be retained as its exclusive property and shall only be used as specifically authorized by the company. Students who successfully complete the program and all of its requirements will be hired by FPL. FPL training center is located at 5110 NW 159 Street, Miami, Florida 33014.

The Professional Service Contract Committee established by School Board Rule 6Gx13- 3F-1.021 reviewed this contractual agreement on July 13, 2006, and recommended that an exception to the rule regarding bids or Request for Proposals be granted as FPL is a sole source provider in the area of Line Specialist Training and will provide the requisite materials and supplies, equipment, and training facilities.

Funding for this item will be provided by Workforce Development Education Funds and will be utilized for educational materials, supplies, liability insurance, and a portion of one full-time and one part-time instructors' salary.

The appropriation for this item is included in the General Fund of the 2006-2007 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in August 2006 under Fund 0100, Function 5338/5308, Program 6230, Object 5310, Location 8901.

The President of FPL is Mr. Armando Olivera.

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RECOMMENDED:

That the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to:

1. enter into a contractual agreement with Florida Power & Light (FPL) to provide applied technology training in electric line service and repair, in an amount not to exceed \$60,000, effective August 31, 2006, through August 31, 2007; and
2. grant an exception to School Board Rule 6Gx13- 3F-1.021.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the General Fund of the 2006-2007 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in August 2006.