

Alberto M. Carvalho, Associate Superintendent
Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Grants Administration, and Community Services

**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD
 FROM THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
 AGENCY (EPA) UNDER THE CLEAN SCHOOL BUS USA
 PROGRAM AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT
 WITH FLORIDA DETROIT DIESEL ALLISON**

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Authorization is requested to accept a grant award from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in the amount of \$171,000, under the Clean School Bus USA Program for the grant period of October 1, 2006, through September 30, 2007, and to enter into a contractual agreement with Florida Detroit Diesel Allison (FDDA), in the amount of \$169,000, from October 1, 2006, through September 30, 2007. The goal of the program is to reduce exposure to diesel exhaust from school buses. Through a contractual agreement, the FDDA will supply and install retrofit kits on 145 buses. This grant will be administered by the Facilities Maintenance Regulatory Compliance Office and supports the Superintendent's initiative to reform business practices to ensure efficiency and effectiveness, and is aligned with the District's Indoor Air Quality Master Plan.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools' (M-DCPS) Transportation Department will select 145 buses that will be retrofitted with emissions-reducing technology under Project Reduce In-cabin Diesel Exposure (RIDE). The FDDA is the sole Miami-Dade-area, EPA-approved vendor for the supply and installation of these retrofit kits. This technology is primarily expected to reduce passenger and driver exposure levels during loading and unloading, as well as during transport. The Chief Executive Officer for FDDA is Mr. Osvaldo J. Marchante. The Project is intended to decrease the exposure of M-DCPS students and staff to diesel exhaust pollutants, as well as to achieve a positive impact on overall air quality across the county.

A required in-kind match, valued at approximately \$56,214, is met by a percentage of District staff salary. Grant funds will be used for contracted services, supplies, and travel.

Notification of the grant award was received on July 26, 2006. Reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized effective October 1, 2006.

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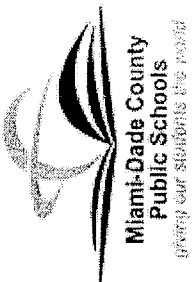
RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to:

1. accept a grant award from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the Clean School Bus USA Program in the amount of \$171,000, for the grant period of October 1, 2006, through September 30, 2007;
2. enter into a contractual agreement with the Florida Detroit Diesel Allison, in the amount of \$169,000 for the period effective October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2007;
3. retain funds from the grant in an amount not to exceed the annually negotiated indirect cost rate, as allowed and approved by the FLDOE;
4. extend this program and contractual agreement, as authorized through official notification from the granting agency in order to complete the goals of the program; and
5. direct Financial Operations to establish appropriations in the amounts approved or as amended by the granting agency; such appropriations to be reported periodically to the Board.

AMC:vr

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BUDGET SUMMARY FORM



Yes No Are there any in-kind or matching funds required?
 Entitlement Grant Non-Entitlement/Contract

GRANT/PROGRAM NAME: Clean School Bus USA Assistance Agreement
 Grant Period Beginning October 1, 2006 Ending September 30, 2007
 (Date) (Date)

| FUNCTION | Total Budget | Salaries (51XX) | Employee Benefits (52XX) | Purchased Services (53XX) | Energy Services (54XX) | Materials and Supplies (55XX) | Capital Outlay (56XX) | Other Expense (57XX) |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| INSTRUCTION SERVICES | 5000 | | | | | | | |
| SUPPORT SERVICES: | | | | | | | | |
| Pupil Personnel Services | 6100 | | | | | | | |
| Instructional Media Services | 6200 | | | | | | | |
| Instruction & Curriculum Development | 6300 | | | | | | | |
| Instructional Staff Training | 6400 | | | | | | | |
| Board of Education | 7100 | | | | | | | |
| General Administration | 7200 | 868.00* | | | | | | 868.00* |
| School Administration | 7300 | | | | | | | |
| Facilities Acquisitions & Construction | 7400 | | | | | | | |
| Fiscal Services | 7500 | | | | | | | |
| Food Services | 7600 | | | | | | | |
| Central Services | 7700 | | | | | | | |
| Transportation Services | 7800 | | | 170,132.00 | | | | |
| Operation of Plant | 7900 | | | | | | | |
| Maintenance of Plant | 8100 | | | | | | | |
| Community Services | 9100 | | | | | | | |
| Debt | 9200 | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES | 171,000.00 | | | 170,132.00 | | | | 868.00 |

*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of 868

Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization: _____
 Reviewed By: [Signature] Board Meeting of October 11, 2006
 Division of Budget (Number) C-86 (Date)