

Office of School Facilities
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SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO EXERCISE THE FOURTH-YEAR OPTION OF THE FOUR-YEAR AGREEMENTS WITH LIVS ASSOCIATES, INC., THE RC GROUP CONSULTING ENGINEERS, PROCON ENGINEERING, INC., AND TWR ENGINEERS, INC., AS SPECIAL PROJECTS CONSULTANT (SPC) – MECHANICAL ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS UP TO \$1.0 MILLION EACH UNDER THE SAME TERMS AND CONDITIONS

COMMITTEE: FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION REFORM

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

On October 11, 2006, the Board commissioned the following firms as Special Projects Consultant (SPC) to provide Mechanical Engineering Design Services for projects of up to \$1 million:

- LIVS Associates, Inc. (LIVS)
- The RC Group Consulting Engineers (TRCG)
- PROCON Engineering, Inc. (PROCON)
- TWR Engineers, Inc. (TWR) formerly Truglio, Wei & Ramos Consulting Engineers, Inc.

Each of the Agreements provides for a four (4) year term from October 11, 2006 through October 10, 2010, with the second, third and fourth years at the Board's option, under the same terms and conditions.

The total work order values issued to date for the first, second and partial third year under the current Agreements are:

	<u>1st Year</u>	<u>2nd Year</u>	<u>Partial 3rd Year</u>	<u>Total</u>
LIVS	\$ 72,000	\$ 82,162	\$ 128,430	\$ 282,592
TRCG	\$ 58,838	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 58,838
PROCON	\$ 11,363	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 11,363
TWR	\$126,166	\$ 97,914	\$ 118,849	\$ 342,929

The most recent overall performance evaluation score issued by staff to the firms based on a performance scale of 1-5 as follows: LIVS 3.85, TRCG 4.69, PROCON 3.56 and TWR 3.66.

Negotiations between District staff and the four firms have been successful in attaining a 10% reduction in professional services fees effective with this fourth year option. This includes fees for basic services, principal rates, site visits, and project meetings with all four firms. All other terms and conditions remain as in the original agreements. Therefore, staff recommends authorization to exercise the fourth-year option of the Agreements with all of the referenced firms for SPC - Mechanical Engineering Design Services.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent or his designee to exercise the fourth-year option of the four-year Agreements with LIVS Associates, Inc., The RC Group Consulting Engineers, PROCON Engineering, Inc., and TWR Engineers, Inc., as Special Projects Consultant to provide Mechanical Engineering Design Services for Miscellaneous Projects up to \$1.0 Million each, as follows:

- 1) with a re-negotiated 10% reduction of professional services fees for basic services, principal rates, site visits, and project meetings; and
- 2) all other terms and conditions remain the same as in the original agreements.

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