

Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board Meeting of April 12, 2000

April 10, 2000

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SUBJECT: J. RUIZ SCHOOL BUS SERVICE, INC. v. THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA and M & M SCHOOL BUS SERVICE (Intervenor); CASE NO. 99-4021BID; A. OLIVEROS TRANSPORTATION, INC. v. THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA and M & M SCHOOL BUS SERVICE (Intervenor), CASE NO. 99-4022BID

In August, 1999, the School Board Administration issued Bid No. 053-2207, school bus routes for approved private bus companies. Twenty-one (21) vendors responded to Bid No. 053-2207 and four (4) were rejected as non-responsive. On August 25, 1999, the School Board took action to adopt the Administration's recommendation, and thereby awarded Bid No. 053-2207 to the seventeen (17) bidders. Thereafter, Petitioners protested this award and an administrative hearing was held by a duly assigned Administrative Law Judge of the Division of Administrative Hearings.

By Recommended Order dated March 24, 2000, the Administrative Law Judge recommends that certain bus routes be awarded to the Petitioners. Respondent has filed an Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to File Exceptions to the Recommended Order. The exceptions were due on April 3, 2000, and Respondent is seeking an additional twenty (20) days. The attorneys representing the Petitioners and the Intervenor in this case do not object.

There is good cause to vary from the agenda because the Respondent needs additional time to file exceptions and the parties wish to pursue an amicable resolution to this matter. This item does not appear on the published agenda.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, grant Respondent's Unopposed Motion for Enlargement of Time to File Written Exceptions to the Recommended Order.