

Roger C. Cuevas, Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT: AWARD TO BETANCOURT CASTELLON ASSOCIATES, INC.
PROJECT NO. A-0748
STATE SCHOOL "PPP"
JOHN A. FERGUSON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
SW 56 Street and 162 Avenue, Miami, Florida**

Five Design/Build contractors responded to the Request for Qualifications and three were selected for invitation to bid on the design criteria.

This project includes Minority Business Enterprise Subcontracting Assistance Levels.

The budget for this project is \$43,322,724. The low bidder is 13.1% under the budget.

Advertised bids received and opened on March 6, 2001 by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida have been tabulated and analyzed as follows:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>BOND/CHECK</u>	<u>BASE BID</u>
Betancourt Castellon Associates, Inc. Miami, FL	5%	\$37,638,000
SBR Joint Venture Miami, FL	5%	37,883,000
Ellis Don Construction, Inc. Miami, FL	5%	40,770,000

Distribution

Base Bid	\$ 37,638,000.00
Total Contract.....	37,638,000.00
Project Architect's Fees.....	912,500.00
Other Professional Fees.....	4,305,952.00
Project Contingency.....	<u>2,399,938.00</u>
Total Funds Required.....	\$ 45,256,390.00

Fund Source

Fund 0390 - COP Series 2000 - 2001
Program 2616 - State School "PPP"
Location 7121

Description

This project is for the construction of a new senior high school that will house 2,862 students and consists of approximately 308,247 square feet.

This project is scheduled for completion within 900 calendar days of the contract or on October 5, 2003.

The Design Criteria Professional, Spillis Candela DMJM, recommended award of the contract to the low bidder, Betancourt Castellon Associates, Inc.

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 for compliance with overall M/WBE assistance levels of 24%.

The Principal/Owner for Betancourt Castellon Associates, Inc. is Mr. Ramiro Betancourt.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida award Project No. A-0748, Design-Build, State School "PPP", John A. Ferguson Senior High School, on the basis of Base Bid in the amount of \$37,638,000 to the low bidder:

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