

Financial Affairs  
Edward Marquez, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT:           AWARD REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 026-CC10 -  
INTERNET-BASED COLLABORATIVE CONSTRUCTION AND  
CLAIMS-REDUCTION SUPPORT SERVICES**

**COMMITTEE:       BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**

The purpose of this Request For Proposals, opened on November 26, 2002, is to establish a contract, to provide Internet-based collaborative construction and claims-reduction support services, for Capital Construction Compliance. This is a term proposal. Of 16 vendors sent proposal forms or card notices of this advertised proposal, 7 responded, with 3 proposals meeting specifications, 3 non-responsive proposals and 1 no proposal.

E-Builder filed a protest of award on this proposal and the matter was referred to the Division of Administrative Hearings. Administrative Law Judge, John G. Van Laningham, issued a recommended order, which was filed with the Clerk of the Division of Administrative Hearings, on October 10, 2003. In his recommended order, Judge Laningham found E-Builder's protest without substantial merit and authorized the award of the subject contract to Emerging Solutions, Inc., d.b.a. Constructware.

Based on Judge Laningham's recommended order and the Board's adoption of the recommended order as its final order, this agenda item reflects an award to Emerging Solutions, Inc., d.b.a. Constructware.

Fund Source  
0001 - Undistributed Capital Outlay

M/WBE Eligibility  
None

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade, County, Florida, **AWARD** Request For Proposals No. 026-CC10 – **INTERNET-BASED COLLABORATIVE CONSTRUCTION AND CLAIMS-REDUCTION SUPPORT SERVICES**, to establish a contract, to provide Internet-based collaborative construction and claims-reduction support services, for Capital Construction Compliance, effective November 19, 2003, through November 18, 2005, as follows:

1. **EMERGING SOLUTIONS, INC.**  
**D.B.A. CONSTRUCTWARE**  
**3780 MANSELL ROAD, SUITE 200**  
**ALPHARETTA, GA 30022**  
**OWNER: K. SCOTT UNGER, PRESIDENT/C.E.O.**

Highest Rated Proposal.

Professional services @ \$398,300.

2. Authorize Procurement Management Services to purchase up to the estimated amount of \$398,300, for the two-year term.

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