Office of Superintendent of Schools Board Meeting of May 20, 2009

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SUBJECT: MORALES MOVING AND STORAGE COMPANY, INC. v. THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, DOAH CASE NO. 08-4442

The School Board issued ITB No. 062-HH10, Relocation of Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment, seeking multiple providers of those services. Bid opening was August 8, 2008. Included in the bid was a provision barring award to providers who, in the prior three years, had billed for work not actually performed. This proscription caused Morales Moving and Storage Company, Inc. to be declared non-responsible, and Morales filed a bid protest with the Division of Administrative Hearings challenging this determination.

After a full administrative hearing held on January 22 and 23, 2009, The School Board prevailed and the Administrative Law Judge assigned to the case, Errol H. Powell, issued a Recommended Order dismissing the Petition.

A copy of the Recommended Order is being furnished to the Board under separate cover, along with a copy of the proposed Final Order for the Board's consideration.

RECOMMENDED:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, enter a Final Order accepting the Administrative Law Judge's Recommended Order in the case of Morales Moving and Storage Company, Inc. v. The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, DOAH Case No. 08-4442, and dismiss the Petition of Protest.