

Office of School Facilities
Jaime G. Torrens, Chief Facilities Officer

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND THE AGREEMENTS WITH BERGER AVART, INC., TO:

- 1) REFLECT THE COMPANY'S NAME CHANGE TO AVART AMMANN & WHITNEY, INC., AS SPECIAL PROJECTS CONSULTANT (SPC) TIER 2 - STRUCTURAL AND SPC - CIVIL, AND TRANSFER ALL CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS FROM BERGER AVART, INC., TO AVART AMMANN & WHITNEY, INC., AND;
- 2) REFLECT A CHANGE IN PRINCIPAL RESPONSIBLE TO THE BOARD

COMMITTEE: FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION REFORM

LINK TO STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: FINANCIAL EFFICIENCY/STABILITY

Staff has received documentation regarding Berger Avart, Inc., name change to Avart Ammann & Whitney, Inc. The firm has certified that this name change will have no effect on the management, staffing, insurance or administration of their agreement with Miami-Dade County Public Schools, or any related projects. The firm has submitted the required documentation under their new name and states that insurance provided by Berger Avart, Inc., remain in full force and effect, continuing to insure the obligations of the contracts according to their terms.

Therefore, staff recommends that the following active Agreements/Contracts be amended to reflect the new firm name, Avart Ammann & Whitney, Inc.:

- Special Projects Consultant Tier 2 - Structural
Date Commissioned: June 17, 2009
- Special Projects Consultant - Civil
Date Commissioned: November 21, 2006

Additionally, the Principal responsible to the Board shall be changed to Mr. Jorge Canales.

All other terms and conditions of the Agreements shall remain unchanged.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize:

1. an amendment to the Agreements with Berger Avar, Inc., to reflect the company's name change, and transfer all contractual obligations from Berger Avar, Inc., to Avar Ammann & Whitney, Inc., as SPC Tier 2 - Structural and SPC – Civil; and
2. a change in Principal responsible to the Board.

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