

Financial Services
Mrs. Judith M. Marte, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT: DEFAULT VENDOR MASTER CLEAN CLEANING
 EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES, INC.**

DEFAULT VENDOR NATIONAL AUCTION COMPANY, INC.

COMMITTEE: FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
BLUEPRINT: EFFECTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS PRACTICES**

This item requests the School Board's approval to Default the following vendors as identified below:

1. **MASTER CLEAN CLEANING EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES, INC.** became a registered vendor with the District in 2006 and participated in several Request for Quotes (RFQ), bids and credit card purchases, facilitated through the Office of Facilities Management, specifically Maintenance Operations. In 2014, an investigation began, which was initiated by Maintenance Operations and referred to the Office of Management and Compliance Audits, and discovered that the vendor did not disclose on the vendor application that a family member was a District employee. As such, there is probable cause that this vendor violated the following Board Policies: 4129 – Conflict of Interest; 4210 – Standards of Ethical Conduct; and 4210.01 – Code of Ethics. Pursuant to Board Policy 6320, Purchasing, this vendor is recommended to lose eligibility to transact new business with the Board for a period of fourteen (14) months from the date of termination of award by the Board.
2. **NATIONAL AUCTION COMPANY, INC.** became a registered vendor with the District in 1998 and participated on a bid, ITB#064-HH12 and several Request for Quotes (RFQ), facilitated through the Office of Stores and Mail Distribution. In 2015, the Office of Management and Compliance Audits conducted an audit of the District's surplus equipment and vehicle auction activities. Preliminary findings from the audit were discussed with District staff, who requested an investigation by the District's Civilian Investigative Unit (CIU). The investigation discovered that the auction vendor did not adhere to the terms of the bid. This vendor accepted additional fees for services, which were not dictated in the Bid. Also, in future RFQs, the vendor continued to accept additional payments for services not stated within the RFQ. As such, the vendor violated the terms of the

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Bid and RFQs and there is probable cause that this vendor violated Board Policy 6320 – Purchasing. Pursuant to Board Policy 6320, Purchasing, this vendor is recommended to lose eligibility to transact new business with the Board for a period of fourteen (14) months from the date of termination of award by the Board.

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

1. **DEFAULT VENDOR MASTER CLEAN CLEANING EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES, INC.**, to lose eligibility to transact new business with the Board for a period of fourteen (14) months from the date of termination of award by the Board, pursuant to Board Policy 6320, Purchasing, effective January 13, 2016.
2. **DEFAULT VENDOR NATIONAL AUCTION COMPANY, INC.**, to lose eligibility to transact new business with the Board for a period of fourteen (14) months from the date of termination of award by the Board, pursuant to Board Policy 6320, Purchasing, effective January 13, 2016.

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