

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

**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE THE PREQUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS FOR EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION**

**COMMITTEE: FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION**

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

Background

School Board Policy 6334, Florida State Statutes and State Requirements for Educational Facilities – Section 4 (SREF) requires school districts to prequalify contractors prior to bidding construction contracts, construction management, design-build, and any other construction services for a one (1) year period or for a specific project.

The Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) and Contractor Prequalification Review Committee (CPRC) facilitates compliance for Miami-Dade County Public Schools in accordance with SREF and all applicable School Board policies, including School Board Policy **6320.06 – Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Business Operations and Practices, which states in part, “The School Board encourages and fosters an environment of diversity, equity, and inclusion in all of its business operations and practices. Inherent in this policy is the Board’s commitment to ensuring that the rich tapestry of diversity, inclusion of varying ideas, backgrounds, and perspectives, if collectively recognized, creates cultural value and endorses the Board’s obligation to eliminating perceived, artificial, or actual barriers to business engagement with the District and flourish without the impediments or barriers of discrimination.”**

On Monday, July 17, 2017, the OEO and CPRC evaluated and recommended Board approval of **five (5) applications.**

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

1. Approve three (3) delineated applications for contractor prequalification for a period of one (1) year.
2. Approve the Proposed Single Bid Limit increase for two (2) delineated applications.

**NEW APPLICATIONS**  
**\*Board Action Required\***

**E. L. C. I. Construction  
Group, Inc.**  
626 N. E. 124<sup>th</sup> Street  
North Miami, FL 33161

President: Fortuna Bichachi

Current Single Bid Limit: N/A  
**Single Bid Limit: \$3,542,018**  
Aggregate Bid Limit: \$12,000,000  
Discipline: General Contractor  
Type of Prequalification: First-Time Applicant  
  
M/WBE Certification Hispanic-American  
SBE/MBE Certification SBE

**Emerald Construction  
Corporation**  
1211 Stirling Road, #106  
Dania, Florida 33004

President: Gilda Pereda

Current Single Bid Limit: N/A  
**Single Bid Limit: \$10,660,000**  
Aggregate Bid Limit: \$30,000,000  
Discipline: General Contractor  
Type of Prequalification: First-Time Applicant  
  
M/WBE Certification Hispanic-American  
SBE/MBE Certification SBE

**Glass Tech Engineering, Inc.**  
8321 NW 70<sup>th</sup> Street  
Miami, Florida 33166

President: Ramon Perez

Current Single Bid Limit: N/A  
**Single Bid Limit: \$3,038,858.00**  
Aggregate Bid Limit: \$20,000,000  
Discipline: Glass & Glazing Contractor  
Type of Prequalification: First-Time Applicant  
  
M/WBE Certification Hispanic-American  
SBE/MBE Certification SBE

**RENEWAL APPLICATIONS**

Proposed Increase of Single Bid Limit

**\*Board Action Required\***

<b>Cool Water Air Conditioning, Inc.</b> 760 South Shore Drive Miami Beach, Florida 33141  President: Stephen Kerney	Current Single Bid Limit:	\$158,600
	<b>Proposed Single Bid Limit:</b>	<b>\$269,200</b>
	Aggregate Bid Limit:	\$2,000,000
	Discipline:	Mechanical Contractor
	Type of Prequalification:	Renewal-Increase
	M/WBE Certification	TBD
	SBE/MBE Certification	TBD
<b>MAC Construction, Inc.</b> 9500 NW 12 <sup>th</sup> Street, Bay 2 Doral, Florida 33172  President: Mary Ceavers	Current Single Bid Limit:	\$6,678,226
	<b>Proposed Single Bid Limit:</b>	<b>\$7,500,000</b>
	Aggregate Bid Limit:	\$15,000,000
	Discipline:	General Contractor
	Type of Prequalification:	Renewal-Increase
	M/WBE Certification	Caucasian-Woman
	SBE/MBE Certification	SBE

**RENEWAL APPLICATIONS**

Decrease of Single Bid Limit

**\*No Board Action Required\***

<b>Master Mechanical Services, Inc.</b> 15181 NW 33 Place Miami, Florida 33054	Current Single Bid Limit: <b>New Single Bid Limit:</b> Aggregate Bid Limit: Discipline: Type of Prequalification:	\$1,202,400 <b>\$1,200,000</b> \$6,000,000 Mechanical Contractor Renewal-Decrease
President: Tina Pinna	M/WBE Certification SBE/MBE Certification	TBD TBD
<b>Unitech Builders Corp</b> 16115 SW 117 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 23 Miami, Florida 33177	Current Single Bid Limit: <b>New Single Bid Limit:</b> Aggregate Bid Limit: Discipline: Type of Prequalification:	\$10,000,000 <b>\$1,999,648</b> \$20,000,000 General Contractor Renewal-Decrease
President: Anthony Gomez	M/WBE Certification SBE/MBE Certification	Hispanic-American SBE
<b>Weathertrol Maintenance Corp</b> 7250 NE 4 <sup>th</sup> Avenue Miami, Florida 33138	Current Single Bid Limit: <b>New Single Bid Limit:</b> Aggregate Bid Limit: Discipline: Type of Prequalification:	\$2,000,000 <b>\$1,541,334</b> \$25,000,000 Mechanical Contractor Renewal-Decrease
President: Carlos Borja	M/WBE Certification SBE/MBE Certification	Hispanic-American N/A

**RENEWAL APPLICATIONS**

No Change in Single Bid Limit-Increase to Aggregate Bid Limit  
**\*No Board Action Required\***

<b>Lego Construction Co.</b>	Single Bid Limit:	\$5,225,848
1011 Sunnybrook Road, Suite #905	Current Aggregate Bid Limit:	\$20,000,000
Miami, Florida 33136	New Aggregate Bid Limit:	\$30,000,000
President: Luis Garcia	Discipline:	General Contractor
	Type of Prequalification:	Renewal Only
	M/WBE Certification	Hispanic-American
	SBE/MBE Certification	SBE

**Bid Limit Calculation:**

Single Bid Limit amounts are determined based upon the largest successfully completed project of similar size and scope. Aggregate Bid Limit amounts are determined by the company's verified Surety of Intent Letter and/or Audited Financial Statements, which is required and provided to the District.

**TBD (To Be Determined):** As a crucial part of the outreach and engagement efforts of the Office of Economic Opportunity, each firm that has the indicator of TBD has been contacted to initiate the certification process, if applicable.

**N/A (Not Applicable):** The noted firm does not meet the mandatory eligibility requirements or elects not to participate in Miami-Dade County Public Schools Small/Micro and Minority/Women Business Enterprise Program.