Facilities Planning and Construction (Maintenance) Freddie Woodson, Chief Facilities Officer

SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WITH ATC ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR ASBESTOS TECHNICAL CONSULTING AND TESTING SERVICES FOR REGIONS I, III AND V - 1999/2001 ( PRIMARY)

The School Board, at its meeting of May 12, 1999, awarded a contract for Asbestos Technical Consulting and Testing Services for Regions I, III and V to ATC Associates, The contract was awarded for a two (2) year period, to provide services to the Department of Asbestos Management ending June 19, 2001.

Request for Proposals were issued and advertised for a new contract and four (4) firms responded and were interviewed by the Selection Committee. From those firms, two (2) were identified as Primary Consultants and a third firm as Alternate/Quality Control Laboratory/Consultant.

As a consequence of the process being under review by the School Board Attorney, and in order for this department to continue to receive the necessary consulting and testing services, the existing contract was extended for ninety (90) days at the Board Meeting of June 20, 2001 and will expire on September 19, 2001. Due to pending issues, award has not been made at this time, staff has concluded that the current contract should be extended for a maximum of ninety (90) days from the date of expiration or until resolution of the review process by the Board attorneys, whichever comes first.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to extend the current contract for Technical Consultant/Testing Services between ATC Associates, Inc., and the Miami-Dade County Public Schools, under the same terms and conditions as the original contract, for a period of ninety (90) days or until award of the new contract, whichever comes first.

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