

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON  
ACTING AS THE PUBLIC CONTRACT REVIEW BOARD

**ORDER NO. 05-091**

Approving the Class Special Procurement Process to Contract with the Energy Suppliers/Vendors under the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP)

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:**

The Board is acting as the Multnomah County Public Contract Review Board to review, pursuant to PCRBR Rule 47-0285, a request from the Department of School and Community Partnerships, for a Class Special Procurement authorization for energy vendors/suppliers under the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) for the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2010.

- a. The LIEAP program is designed for the interest of low income families  
It is a federally funded, state-managed and county-administered program serving low-income people in accordance with federal guidelines. The County took over the responsibility of paying vendors/suppliers in 1993. Under the current program, eleven community service agencies (identified separately on the attached list) handle the household eligibility determinations and amount of entitlement using current federal and state guidelines. These agencies authorize payments, the County pays the energy supplier/vendor and the vendor/supplier provides the home energy resource. In the past Board Order 95-136 was granted in 1995 for the first five years of the program and Board Order 00-036 in 2000 for the second five years of the program.
- b. This special procurement process is unlikely to encourage favoritism in the awarding of public contracts or to substantially diminish competition for public contracts  
The LIEAP program allows LIEAP clients to select their own energy resource provider. Multnomah County will pay any LIEAP supplier selected by the eligible household. Any supplier willing to accept LIEAP payments may participate. Generally, LIEAP payments are slightly below market resource prices, and therefore not all energy resource vendors/suppliers in the area have chosen to participate. The attached listing has all the current vendors/suppliers who have agreed to accept LIEAP payments for energy resources (typically gas/oil/electricity.) They will be required to sign LIEAP contracts. New vendors will be included at their request by adding them to this list and issuing them LIEAP contracts.
- c. Project cost  
The County expects to pay approximately \$1.5 million over the next year of the program.

d. Public Notice

This special procurement request is in accord with the requirements of Multnomah County Public Contract Review Board Administrative Rule 47-0285. A public notice of the request will be posted on the Multnomah County Central Procurement and Contract Administration website on May 19, 2005, seven (7) days prior to the date the Board will consider the request. Then a public notice of the Board's approval of the process will be posted on the CPCA website seven (7) days prior to award of the contracts.

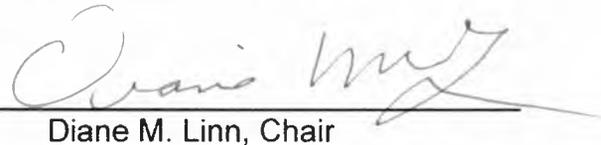
**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Orders:**

The class special procurement process to contract with the energy suppliers/vendors on the attached list (and any other supplier or vendor who signs a LIEAP contract and agrees to accept LIEAP payments) under the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) is approved.

ADOPTED this 26th day of May, 2005.

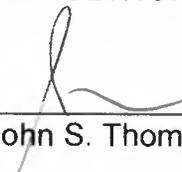


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Diane M. Linn, Chair

REVIEWED:

AGNES SOWLE, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

By   
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John S. Thomas, Assistant County Attorney

**ENERGY SUPPLIER/COMMUNITY SERVICE AGENCY  
SPECIAL PROCUREMENT LIST**

April 2005

Energy Supplier

ABC Oil Distributors  
Albina Fuel  
Blue Flame Oil  
Carson Oil  
City of Cascade Locks  
Dad's Oil Service  
Deluxe Fuel Co  
First Call Heating & Cooling  
Ferrellgas  
Grimm's Fuel Co  
Larsen Oil Co  
Luke's Propane  
Meining Crown Oil Co  
Minol  
Montag Oil  
Mt Scott Fuel Company  
Nate Hartley Oil & Associates  
NW Natural Gas  
Pacific Power & Light  
Portland General Electric  
Pounder Oil  
Priest Petroleum Products  
Priestley & Sons Heating Oil Co  
Rex Heating  
Star Oil  
Suburban Propane  
Tri County Furnace  
Thomas Oil Co

Community Service Agency

Albina Ministerial Alliance  
Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare  
Catholic Charities  
Human Solutions, Inc.  
Immigrant and Refugee Community  
Organization  
Native American Rehabilitation  
Association  
Portland Impact  
Salvation Army  
Self Enhancement, Inc.  
St. Vincent DePaul  
YWCA, Inc.