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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 PCRB 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.

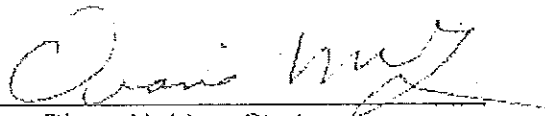
The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Orders:

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.

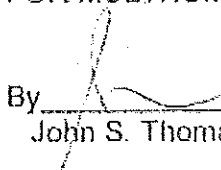


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Diane M. Linn, Chair

REVIEWED:

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**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.