

Section XI Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and Purchasing

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

NOTICE TO CONSTRUCTION MANAGERS

The University of South Florida announces that continuing construction management services are required for the following discipline:

Construction Manager (Up to 3) (Tampa Campus with the ability to include other campuses as required).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Projects included in the scope of this Agreement will be specific projects for renovations, alterations, new construction, and/or additions that have a basic construction budget estimated to be \$1,000,000 or less, or studies for which the fee for services is \$100,000 or less. Continuing Service Contracts for these projects provide that the Construction Manager will be available on an as-needed basis for an initial period of one (1) year with an Owner's option to renew for one (1) additional year at a time up to a total of two (2) additional years. The Construction Managers receiving the award will not have an exclusive contract to perform services for these projects. The University may have additional Continuing Service Construction Managers under contract during the same time period. Continuing Service projects include projects that are awarded based upon competitive proposals from Continuing Service Construction Managers under contract and may include projects that are negotiated individually with a specific construction manager. Services required to be provided under the Continuing Services Contracts include the recording of as-built conditions by the Continuing Service Construction Manager for projects constructed by that Construction Manager for use in developing record drawings to facilitate the University's space management program. Performance and Payment Bonds shall be provided for individual projects exceeding \$100,000 and liability and worker's compensation insurance shall be required for the contract. Builder's Risk insurance may be required for specific projects based upon need.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Firms desiring to provide Construction Management services shall submit one (1) original submittal and five (5) bound copies consisting of a letter of interest, a completed "USF Construction Manager Qualifications Supplement" dated July 2009 and any required or additional information within the proposal limits as described in the CMQS Instructions, addressing the criteria contained therein, in the order listed, in a clear and concise manner. Submittals must not exceed forty (40) pages, including the Construction Manager Qualifications

Supplement, letter of interest, attachments and additional information. Pages must be numbered consecutively. Submittals that do not comply with these requirements or do not include the requested information may not be considered. Submittals are part of the public record and no submittal material will be returned. Applications submitted in any other format may not be considered.

An applicant must be licensed to practice as a general contractor in the State of Florida at the time of application. Corporations must be registered to operate in the State of Florida by the Department of State, Division of Corporations, at the time of application. As required by Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, a Construction Management firm may not submit a proposal for this project if it is on the convicted vendor list for a public entity crime committed within the past 36 months. The selected Construction Management firm(s) must warrant that it will neither utilize the services of, nor contract with, any supplier, subcontractor, or consultant in excess of \$25,000 in connection with this project for a period of 36 months from the date of their being placed on the convicted vendor list.

PROJECT SELECTION CRITERIA:

Selection of finalists for interviews will be made on the basis of Construction Manager qualifications including applicant's experience, applicant's personnel, applicant's ability to provide service, (record-keeping/administrative ability, recording of as-built conditions, critical path scheduling expertise, conceptual cost estimating and cost control ability, quality control capability, etc.) and the applicant's license, bondability and insurability. As part of the University of South Florida's Strategic Plan, USF made a commitment to foster a diverse community distinguished by a shared purpose, collaboration, open and timely communication, mutual respect, trust, and inclusiveness. The University of South Florida is an equal opportunity institution, and, as such, strongly encourages the lawful use of certified Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprises ("MBEs") in the provision of design and construction-related services by providing a fair and equal opportunity to compete for, or for participation in, design and/or construction-related services. MBE participation information by the Construction Manager and/or the Construction Manager's consultants, for this contract, shall be provided by the Construction Manager in response to a request from the University's Supplier Diversity Manager's office.

The University of South Florida Construction Manager Qualifications Supplement Form, dated July 2009 and the Project Fact Sheet may be obtained by contacting Ms. Kathy Bennett, Facilities Planning and Construction, University of South Florida, 4202 East Fowler Avenue, FPC110, Tampa, Florida 33620-7550, via e-mail at kbennett@admin.usf.edu, or phone (813)974-3098, (813)974-2625 or Fax (813)974-3542.

All interested firms are invited to and encouraged to attend a Pre-Submittal Meeting to be held at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time, on Wednesday, July 22, 2009 at the University of South Florida in the Marshall Center Room Royal Palm Ballroom #2100, Tampa Campus, 4202 East Fowler Avenue, Tampa, Florida, to review the scope and requirements of this project. (Those unfamiliar with the campus may find directions at the Campus Information Center at the Fowler entrance and/or consult a campus map at <http://www.usf.edu/Locations/Maps-Directions/tampa.asp>.) Requests for meetings by individual firms will not be granted. It shall be noted that no verbal communication shall take place between the applicants and the employees of the University of South Florida except as provided at the Pre-Submittal Meeting, the Pre-Interview Meeting and the request for the CMQS and Project Fact Sheet. Requests for any project information must be in writing to Ms. Kathy Bennett, Facilities Planning and Construction, University of South Florida, 4202 East Fowler Avenue, FPC110, Tampa, Florida 33620-7550, via e-mail at kbennett@admin.usf.edu, or phone (813)974-3098, (813)974-2625 or Fax (813)974-3542. The Selection Committee reserves the right to waive any irregularities and may reject all proposals and stop the selection process at any time.

One (1) original and five (5) bound copies of the above requested proposal data, bound in the order listed, shall be addressed to: Ray Gonzales, Architect, Facilities Planning and Construction, University of South Florida, FPC110, 4202 East Fowler Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33620-7550. Applications that do not comply with the above instructions may be disqualified. Submittals must be received in the University of South Florida, Facilities Planning and Construction office, FPC110, by 2:00 p.m., Eastern Time on Friday, August 7, 2009. Facsimile (FAX) or electronic submittals are not acceptable and will not be considered.

Notice of Bid/Request for Proposal

Districtwide Roof Replacement at Landon Middle School No. 31, Oceanway Middle School No. 62, Windy Hill Elementary School No. 94, and Susie Tolbert Elementary School No. 128, DCPS Project No. M-84470,

DUVAL COUNTY
PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Invitation To Bid

For a

Roofing Contractor

Sealed bids will be received by Duval County Public Schools, Division of Facilities, Room 535, 1701 Prudential Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32207 until the time and date(s) recorded below and immediately thereafter publicly opened and

recorded in the Duval County Public Schools, School Board Building, located at 1701 Prudential Drive, Jacksonville, Florida, 5th Floor, Room 513D.

BIDS ARE DUE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 11, 2009

AND WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL 2:00 P.M.

Official Project Title: Districtwide Roof Replacement at Landon Middle School No. 31, Oceanway Middle School No. 62, Windy Hill Elementary School No. 94, and Susie Tolbert Elementary School No. 128, DCPS Project No. M-84470, Stage II

SCOPE OF WORK: Project scope is to remove old deteriorated roof systems and replace with new roof systems on Landon Middle School No. 31, Oceanway Middle School No. 62, Windy Hill Elementary School No. 94, and Susie Tolbert Elementary School No. 128. The estimated construction cost "Budgeted Not to Exceed" is \$999,050.

All contractors that are interested in bidding are required to attend a mandatory pre-bid conference to be held on July 29th, 10:00 a.m., at 129 King Street, Room 37, Jacksonville Florida 32204. Failure to attend the pre-bid conference shall result in disqualification of that firm's proposal. Attendees will be required to sign an attendance register.

The projects funding are subject to availability of funds as authorized by the Owner. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

All bidders and subcontractors shall be licensed Contractors and registered corporations as required by the laws of the State of Florida.

Contract documents for bidding may be obtained for a refundable fee of \$75.00 at the office of:

Stafford Consulting Engineers, 914 Atlantic Ave., Suite 2-F, Fernandina Beach, FL 32034

DCSB Point of Contact: Dale Hughes, (904)858-6308

Contract documents for bidding may be examined at:

F.W. Dodge McGraw Hill Plan Room Construction Bulletin
Construction Market Data, Inc. National Association of
Minority Contractors

MBE Participation Goal: 10%

The Duval County Public Schools has begun prequalifying all contractors who intend to submit bids for all construction projects exceeding \$200,000 and electrical projects exceeding \$50,000. Effective May 31, 2003, all Contractors submitting bids must be prequalified with Duval County Public Schools. No bids will be accepted from Contractors who are not prequalified with Duval County Public Schools.

Prequalification forms and information may be obtained by contacting: Richard Beaudoin or Ronald A. Fagan, 1701 Prudential Dr., Jacksonville, FL 32207, (904)390-2358 or (904)390-2922, Fax: (904)390-2265, Email: beaudoinr@duvalschools.org or faganr@duvalschools.org.

The Bid Award Recommendation will be posted on the First Floor, Bulletin Board, Duval County School Board Building, 1701 Prudential Drive, Jacksonville, Florida 32207-8182.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT TRUST FUND

Notices for the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund between December 28, 2001 and June 30, 2006, go to <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/> under the link or button titled "Official Notices."

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Notices for the Department of Environmental Protection between December 28, 2001 and June 30, 2006, go to <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/> under the link or button titled "Official Notices."

NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID BID NO. BDC 04-09/10

The Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Recreation and Parks, Bureau of Design and Construction is soliciting formal competitive bids from contractors licensed to work in the jurisdiction for the project listed below:

PROJECT NAME: District 5-Multiple Park Fencing Projects

SCOPE OF WORK: The Contractor shall furnish all labor, material, equipment and supervision for the installation of boundary fencing for Jonathan Dickinson State Park, Atlantic Ridge Preserve State Park and Savannas Preserve State Park. Work will also include mowing, clearing, fire lanes and fence removal/disposal.

PROJECT BUDGET: \$300,000.00

PARK LOCATION: Jonathan Dickinson State Park, 16450 S.E. Federal Highway, Hobe Sound, Florida, Atlantic Ridge State Park c/o Jonathan Dickinson State Park and Savannas Preserve State Park, 9551 Gumbo Limbo Lane, Jensen Beach, Florida.

PROJECT MANAGER: Gerry Pisciotano, District 5 Office, 13798 S.E. Federal Highway, Hobe Sound, Florida 33455, (772)546-0900, Fax: (772)223-2591.

MINORITY BUSINESS REQUIREMENT: The Department of Environmental Protection supports diversity in its Procurement Program and requests that all sub-contracting opportunities afforded by this bid embrace diversity enthusiastically. The award of sub-contracts should reflect the full diversity of the citizens of the State of Florida. The Department will be glad to furnish a list of Minority Owned Firms that could be offered sub-contracting opportunities.

PREQUALIFICATION: When the total Bid including Alternates exceeds \$200,000, each Bidder whose field is governed by Chapter 399, 455, 489 or 633, Florida Statutes, for

licensure or certification, must submit the following prequalification data of their eligibility to submit bids 240 hours (10 days) PRIOR TO the Bid Opening date, unless the Bidder has been previously qualified by the Department of Environmental Protection for the current biennium (July 1-June 30) of odd numbered years in accordance with subsection 60D-5.004(2), F.A.C., as evidenced by a letter from DEP to the Bidder, which letter shall be presented to DEP upon request. If the Department requires clarification or additional information, Bidder shall submit such information by 120 hours (5 days) prior to Bid Opening. Material submitted after those deadlines shall disqualify the Bidder.

INSTRUCTIONS: Any firm desiring plans and specifications for this project may obtain a copy by writing to the address or calling the telephone number below. A Compact Disk (CD) containing the plans and specifications will be available on July 10, 2009 at District 5 Office, 13798 S. E. Federal Highway, Hobe Sound, Florida 33455, Attention: Gerry Pisciotano, (772)546-0900, Fax: (772)223-2591.

PREBID MEETINGS: Non-mandatory prebid meetings will be conducted as follows:

1. Jonathan Dickinson State Park and Atlantic Ridge Preserve State Park, 16450 S. E. Federal Highway, Hobe Sound, Florida 33455 at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 21, 2009 at the Entrance Station at Jonathan Dickinson State Park. In order to inspect the project sites at both parks plan on approximately 6 hours.
2. Savannas Preserve State Park, 2541 Walton Rd., Port St. Lucie, Florida 34952, 10:00 a.m., Wednesday July 22, 2009 at the Environmental Education Center. In order to inspect the project site plan on approximately 2.5 hours.

When attending the prebid meetings contractors are recommend to have a 4x4 passenger vehicle to access project site locations.

ADA REQUIREMENTS: Any person with a qualified disability shall not be denied equal access and effective communication regarding any bid/proposal documents or the attendance at any related meeting or bid/proposal opening. If accommodations are needed because of disability, please contact: Michael Renard, Bureau of Design and Construction, (850)488-5372 at least five (5) workdays prior to openings. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Services by calling 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

BID SUBMITTAL DUE DATE: No later than 2:00 p.m. (ET), Tuesday, August 4, 2009 to the below address: Florida Department of Environmental Protection Bureau of Design and Construction, 3540 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32309, Attention: Michael Renard, Construction Projects Administrator, Bureau of Design and Construction, (850)488-5372. The Department reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

BID POSTING DATE: No later than 2:00 p.m. (ET), Tuesday, August 11, 2009 unless extended by the Department for good cause.

NOTICE OF RIGHTS: Notice of Intent to Protest the Bid Specifications must be filed with (received by) the Agency Clerk, Lea Crandall, Department of Environmental Protection, Office of General Counsel, MS 35, 3900 Commonwealth Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-3000, (850)245-2242, Fax: (850)245-2303, Lea.Crandall@dep.state.fl.us during the 72-hour period after Bid Specifications are posted on the Vendor Bid System. Failure to file a Notice of Intent to Protest or a formal, written Protest in accordance with Chapter 28-110, F.A.C., within ten days after the 72-hour period ends, as prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, shall constitute a waiver of your right to an administrative hearing on the Bid Specifications under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes. Rules for bid protests can be found in Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., and Chapter 28-110, Florida Administrative Code. A bid protester shall comply with these statutes and rules.

NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID
BID NO. BDC 06-09/10

The Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Recreation and Parks, Bureau of Design and Construction is soliciting formal competitive bids from certified or registered contractors licensed to work in the jurisdiction for the project listed below:

PROJECT NAME: Cross Florida Greenway – Sweetwater Bridge Replacement

SCOPE OF WORK The contractor shall provide the necessary labor, materials, equipment, and supervision for the reconstruction of the existing Sweetwater Bridge which includes driving new wood piles, precast concrete pile caps, prestressed concrete slab deck, steel sheet piles and wood railing.

PROJECT BUDGET: \$200,000.00

PARK LOCATION: Marjorie Harris Carr Cross Florida Greenway, Putnam County, off SR 20, south of Hollister in Cow Haven Bay. See plans for site access.

PROJECT MANAGER: Jim Wolfe, Office of Greenways and Trails, 3900 Commonwealth Blvd., MS 795, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, (850)245-2052, Fax: (850)245-2082.

MINORITY BUSINESS REQUIREMENT: The Department of Environmental Protection supports diversity in its Procurement Program and requests that all sub-contracting opportunities afforded by this bid embrace diversity enthusiastically. The award of sub-contracts should reflect the full diversity of the citizens of the State of Florida. The Department will be glad to furnish a list of Minority Owned Firms that could be offered sub-contracting opportunities.

PREQUALIFICATION: When the total Bid including Alternates exceeds \$200,000, each Bidder whose field is governed by Chapters 399, 455, 489 or 633, Florida Statutes, for licensure or certification, must submit the following prequalification data of their eligibility to submit bids 240 hours (10 days) PRIOR TO the Bid Opening date, unless the Bidder has been previously qualified by the Department of Environmental Protection for the current biennium (July 1-June 30) of odd numbered years in accordance with subsection 60D-5.004(2), F.A.C., as evidenced by a letter from DEP to the Bidder, which letter shall be presented to DEP upon request. If the Department requires clarification or additional information, Bidder shall submit such information by 120 hours (5 days) prior to Bid Opening. Material submitted after those deadlines shall disqualify the Bidder.

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BID SUBMITTAL DUE DATE: No later than 2:30 p.m. (ET), Tuesday, August 4, 2009 to the below address: Florida Department of Environmental Protection Bureau of Design and Construction, 3540 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32309, Attention: Michael Renard, Construction Projects Administer, Bureau of Design and Construction, (850)488-5372. The Department reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 5, 2009, Office of the City Engineer, Public Works Department (Engineering and Architectural Services), City Hall, 100 North Andrews Avenue, 4th Floor, City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida and opened immediately thereafter in the Conference Room, for PROJECT #11497 – WASTEWATER CONVEYANCE SYSTEM LONG-TERM REMEDIATION PROGRAM PROJECT #17 – BASIN A-23 and ANNUAL SEWER REPAIR CONTRACT.

The work includes: The rehabilitation of mainline sewers and laterals identified in the contract documents by using the cured-in-place pipe method for the sewer pipes. The work includes pre and post television survey, flow monitoring, flow bypass, traffic control, site restoration, and related operations resulting in complete and satisfactory rehabilitation of the mainline wastewater collection system piping in Sewer Basin A-23. The project also includes, as Schedule B, the Annual Sewer Repair Contract which provides for localized lining of sanitary sewers, sanitary laterals and storm sewers throughout the City as required and as authorized by the City, for a one year period following completion of the base project. Projects will be authorized on an as-needed basis by the City with no guarantee as to the location and amount of the additional work. A pre-bid meeting will be held at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 15, 2009, Program Management Team Office, 200 North Andrews Avenue, Suite 300 (Third Floor), Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The pre-bid meeting is recommended but not mandatory.

Bidding blanks may be obtained at the Office of the City Engineer. Specifications are on file in the Office of the City Engineer. Bidders are encouraged to carefully review the project specifications, particularly Sections 02520 and 02563 as there have been revisions to these sections.

This project may be funded in whole or in part by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, State Revolving Fund. Bidders are encouraged to become familiar with the provisions of the Supplementary Conditions contained in these documents and in particular the requirements of Article 20, Equal Employment Opportunity.

It will be the sole responsibility of the bidder to clearly mark bid as such, and ensure that his bid reaches the City prior to the bid opening date and time listed.

A certified check, cashier's check, bank officer's check or bid bond for 5% of the amount bid, made payable to the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, shall accompany each proposal.

The City of Fort Lauderdale reserves the right to waive any informality in any bid and to reject any or all bids.

Information on bid results and projects currently out to bid can be obtained by calling the pre-recorded City of Fort Lauderdale Bid Information Line at (954)828-5688. For general inquiries please call: (954)828-5772.

FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION

BID ANNOUNCEMENT

BID NUMBER: 09-17-0908

BID TITLE: PURSUIT, ADMINISTRATIVE NON-PURSUIT,

UTILITY VEHICLES, TRUCKS AND VANS, AND OTHER FLEET EQUIPMENT

ADVERTISEMENT DATES: JULY 2, 2009 AND JULY 10, 2009

MANDATORY VEHICLE CONTRACT/

SPECIFICATION WORKSHOPS: JULY 23 AND 24, 2009, 9:00 A.M.

MANDATORY PRE-BID

CONFERENCE: AUGUST 12, 2009, 10:00 A.M.

WORKSHOPS AND PRE-BID CONFERENCE TO BE HELD AT:

MARION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

692 N. W. 30TH AVENUE

OCALA, FL 34475-5608

REPLIES DUE: SEPTEMBER 8, 2009, 12:00 NOON

BID SUBMITTALS RECEIVED AT:

FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION

COOPERATIVE BID COORDINATOR'S OFFICE

TEMPORARY LOCATION:

1983 CENTRE POINTE BLVD., SUITE 101 (32308)

P. O. BOX 12519

TALLAHASSEE, FL 32317-2519

BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY THROUGH THE FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION'S VEHICLE BID AWARD SYSTEM. SOLICITATION DOCUMENTS AND SPECIFICATIONS CAN BE ACCESSED THROUGH <http://veba.flsheriffs.org>. VENDORS WHO WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS INVITATION TO BID MUST ATTEND THE VEHICLE CONTRACT/SPECIFICATION WORKSHOP AND PRE-BID CONFERENCE. YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A USER NAME AND GENERIC PASSWORD BEFORE YOU CAN LOG ON TO THE VEBA SITE.

FLORIDA BIRTH-RELATED NEUROLOGICAL INJURY COMPENSATION ASSOCIATION

Extension of Time to Respond to Request For Information Regarding Engagement of a General Counsel to Represent the Florida Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Association

The Florida Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Association (NICA) is extending the time to respond to its request seeking information regarding the engagement of a General Counsel to represent NICA and the Board of Directors for all general, legislative and administrative matters. NICA is a statutory organization created under Section 766, Florida Statutes, that manages the Florida Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Plan (“Plan”) used to pay for the care of infants born with certain neurological injuries. NICA is governed by a five (5) member Board of Directors appointed by a constitutional officer, the Chief Financial Officer, of the State of Florida and subject to regulation by the Office of Insurance Regulation.

1. Scope of Services

The scope of services required of General Counsel is broad. The General Counsel provides counsel, advice and legal representation of NICA and the NICA Board of Directors for all general, legislative and administrative matters, assigns and supervises outside counsel to handle individual claim matters, and advises the Board of Directors in all matters pertaining to the administration of NICA and related litigation. These services will include but not be limited to:

Provide general legal advice to NICA Staff and the Board as requested.

Represent NICA and the Board of Directors in all general legal matters.

Review contracts, policies and procedures, proposals and other documents as requested by Staff or the Board.

Attend all Board meetings

Handle requests for public information.

Represent NICA in general and administrative actions other than individual claims.

Assign or handle pro-se petitions that have no disputed issues.

Assign and supervise outside counsel to handle individual claim issues.

Assign and supervise outside counsel to handle all appellate matters and coordinate to assure consistent decisions and case law throughout the districts and the State.

Review billing statements received from outside counsel for content and reasonableness.

Advise NICA on legislative issues and represent NICA before the Legislature as needed. Registration as a lobbyist will be required.

All other general, administrative, legislative and other legal matters as requested by NICA staff.

2. Experience

A broad range of legal experience is required, including:

General administrative experience,

Experience with a state agency, board or commission or other governmental entity,

Experience with contracts, personnel, policies and procedures and other general administrative issues,

Experience in administrative actions, including appeals to the district courts of appeal,

Litigation management,

Legislative experience, including bill drafting,

3. Staffing

The counsel identified in the Response to Request for Information will be primarily responsible as lead counsel for NICA in all matters. It is expected that other staff or counsel may be needed at times to assist. In addition, it is expected that the services of other attorneys and paralegals may be utilized on specific matters as requested and/or approved by NICA. Everyone who assists the General Counsel will work under the supervision of General Counsel who is ultimately responsible for handling of all matters. Duplication of review of materials and multiple appearances by attorneys or other personnel is to be avoided, except as specifically approved by NICA in writing.

4. Conflicts of Interest

As part of the Response, confirmation will be required that neither the General Counsel nor any of the lawyers or other individuals involved in the representation of NICA or handling any of NICA’s matters would handle any matter that is potentially adverse to NICA. If there is any potential adverse action handled by the Firm or other associates of the General Counsel, General Counsel would be required to describe, in writing, what the potential conflict is, and how the individuals involved in any such matter would be limited to assure that they have no access to any information from the files or other materials in the possession of the General Counsel. Any potential conflict will be required to be disclosed in writing to NICA and may be cause for termination of any agreement that may result from this RFI.

5. Fees and Billing

NICA will compensate for general and administrative services based on a monthly retainer which should be proposed. Litigation outside the scope of services which is handled by General Counsel at the written direction of Staff or the Board may be based on the time devoted to the matter at a proposed hourly rate. Currently, the hourly rate generally approved for all claim and other outside counsel, including appellate work is \$150/hour. Currently approved para-professional rates range from \$50 to \$120/hour.

NICA will pay for support services, such as photocopy, long distance telephone and facsimile, messenger and delivery service, online research, travel, word processing and search and filing fees. Long distance telephone will be billed based on charges from the phone company, except for calls lasting under one minute, for which there will be no charge. Word processing or secretarial services may only be charged if done on an overtime basis and with NICA's written consent. Certain support services that involve equipment or staffing or that require payments to third parties may include additional charges that reflect internal costs if prior written approval is given by NICA. It is expected that the General Counsel will provide the most cost effective and efficient support systems available.

Statements will normally be expected to be received by NICA each month and will reflect the services and expenses incurred the previous month. Retainer may be billed separately. Respondent may expect payment will be made within 30 days receipt of correct billing.

6. Transition Plan

A detailed description and plan for an orderly transfer and coordination of activities of the General Counsel should be provided as a part of any response.

7. Disposition of Files and Records

NICA maintains individual health information subject to HIPPA and other confidentiality laws. Any otherwise nonpublic information NICA has supplied which is retained by General Counsel must be kept confidential in accordance with applicable rules of professional conduct. Files must be returned to NICA as requested in writing.

8. Submissions:

Interested parties should submit a proposal that includes the following elements:

1. General background information on the Respondent attorney and firm, including a list of current clients.
2. Identification of personnel that would be involved and the qualifications and/or curriculum vitae of each person.
3. Confirmation that the attorney and all members of the firm are not de-barred from doing business with the State of Florida or the federal government.
4. Identification of any current clients which may present a conflict of interest with conducting work on behalf NICA.
5. A brief outline of how the firm would conduct its scope of services.
6. Outline of expected costs and proposal for retainer and hourly fee for services that may fall outside of the scope of services.
7. Any other information deemed relevant or important for NICA to consider.

Additional information may be requested by NICA for any or all of the responding entities.

NICA reserves the right to reject any or all proposals. Selection of any firm is solely at the discretion of NICA. NICA is not subject to the bid requirements of the State of Florida.

Time is extended for receipt of proposals. Proposals will be reviewed as received and interested parties should submit such no later than July 31, 2009. Any proposal previously submitted will be included for consideration and does not have to be re-submitted.

All Responses should be sent to:

Kenny Shipley, Executive Director
 Florida Birth-Related Neurological Injury
 Compensation Association (NICA)
 2360 Christopher Place
 Tallahassee, FL 32308
 Email: kshipley@nica.com
 Fax: (850)922-5369

Section XII Miscellaneous

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FIND PUBLIC SCHOOLS INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT CONSISTENT WITH SECTIONS 163.3177(2) AND (3), FLORIDA STATUTES DCA DOCKET NO. 12-01

The Department gives notice of its intent to find the Public Schools Interlocal Agreement ("Agreement") executed between the Columbia County School Board and Columbia County, pursuant to Section 163.31777, F.S., to be consistent with the minimum requirements of Sections 163.31777(2) and (3), F.S.

The Agreement is available for public inspection Monday through Friday, except for legal holidays, during normal business hours, at: Columbia County Courthouse, 35 North Hernando Street, Lake City, Florida 32055.

Any affected person, as defined in Section 163.31777(3)(b), F.S., has a right to petition for an administrative hearing to challenge the proposed agency determination that the Agreement is consistent with the minimum requirements of Section 163.31777(2), F.S. The petition must be filed within twenty-one (21) days after publication of this notice in the Florida Administrative Weekly, and must include all of the information and contents described in Uniform Rule 28-106.201, F.A.C. The petition must be filed with: Agency Clerk, Department of Community Affairs, 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100, and a copy mailed or delivered to Columbia County School Board and Columbia County. Failure to timely file a petition shall constitute a waiver of any right to request an administrative proceeding as a petitioner under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. If a petition is filed, the purpose of