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Public Safety Bldg. Design Consultants RFQ

Dear Mr. Tao,

We have reviewed the correspondence between you and the Procurement Dept. We have also reviewed Sec. 287.057, F.S. We have determined that AECOM should be allowed to participate with the condition that the company's initial involvement in the site evaluation study will be disclosed at each stage of the proceeding as well as ultimately, to the City Commission.

This decision is based on the following:

- 1. The underlying contract for continuing consulting services with the City was, in fact, competitively bid and purchase order for the site evaluation study was issued pursuant to that continuing consulting services agreement;
- 2. Prior to accepting the purchase order, AECOM inquired, and was informed by City personnel, that it would be allowed to participate in the RFQ process despite their work on the site evaluation study;
- 3. Procurement and this office agree that any advantage that AECOM may have as a result of conducting the site evaluation study is not material in nature.

This opinion is issued pursuant to Sec. 2-201(e)(1) and (8) and Sec. 2-584 of the City of Coral Gables Code.

Sincerely,

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