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February 4, 2010

John and Christine Kennedy CONSTRUCTION AFFAIRS, INC. 10203 SW 184 St. Miami, FL 33157

Re: INQ 10-24 Registering as a County Vendor

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy:

In correspondence to our office on February 4, 2010, you said that you wish to register your company as a County vendor.

The facts as we understand them are as follows:

- Christine Newton-Kennedy is employed by the Miami-Dade Water & Sewer Department (WASD) as an Accountant 2.
- John Kennedy is president and Christine Kennedy is secretary of your privately owned company, CONSTRUCTION AFFAIRS, INC.
- CONSTRUCTION AFFAIRS, INC., provides general construction services.

It is the opinion of the Ethics Commission staff that you may register CONSTRUCTION AFFAIRS, INC., to contract with the County as long as any contract does not interfere with the full and faithful discharge of Christine Newton-Kennedy's duties to the County. This includes the condition that she will not participate in determining the contract requirements or in awarding the contract. Additionally, none of her responsibilities will require her to be involved in the contract in any way including, but not limited to, its enforcement, oversight, administration, amendment, extension, termination, or forbearance. Finally, Christine Newton-Kennedy may not be employed by any County department that will enforce, oversee, or administer the contract. This means that as long as Christine Newton-Kennedy is employed by the Water & Sewer Department, CONSTRUCTION AFFAIRS, INC., may not contract with the Water & Sewer Department. See County Code at Section 2-11.1 (c) & (d).

If any of the facts you have presented change, or if you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 305 350-0601.

Sincerely,

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