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May 10, 2011

Letricia Brown AMAJ ENTERPRISE 11601 Biscayne Blvd., Suite 310 Miami, FL 33181

Re: INQ 11-72, Limitations on Doing Business with the County

Dear Ms. Brown:

In correspondence to our office on May 9, 2011, you said that you wish to do business with the County through your privately owned company, AMAJ ENTERPRISE, which provides accounting and related educational services. You are employed as an Accountant with the Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust.

REGARDING CONTRACTS WITH THE COUNTY, you may bid on any County contract except those with the Homeless Trust.

The County Ethics Code at Sec. 2-11.1 (c) allows you and/or your company to enter into a contract with Miami-Dade County as long as the contract does not interfere with the full and faithful discharge of your duties to the County. This includes the condition that you do not participate in determining the contract requirements or in awarding the contract. Additionally, none of your job responsibilities and job descriptions may require you to be involved in the contract in any way including, but not limited to, its enforcement, oversight, administration, amendment, extension, termination, or forbearance. Finally, you may not work in any County department that will enforce, oversee, or administer your contract. In your case, this means that you may not enter into contracts with the Homeless Trust.

REGARDING OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT, this letter does not convey permission to engage in outside employment. Authority to approve outside employment is at the discretion of your Department Director. If you and/or your Department Director would like further guidance on this issue, you may contact the Ethics Commission for a legal opinion.

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 VICTORIA FRIGO Staff Attorney

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