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June 19, 2013

Nyxlie Machado, President
JD Distributors Automotive Supplies Inc.
4477 East 11th Ave.
Hialeah, FL 33013

Re: Revised INQ 13-149 County Vendor Approval
Miami-Dade Co. Conflict of Interest & Code of Ethics at §§ 2-11.1 (c), (d) & (g)

SUMMARY: J.D. Distributors Automotive Supplies, Inc., may register as a County vendor or enter contracts with the County, **as long as—**

- J.D. Distributors Automotive Supplies, Inc., **does not contract with Jackson Memorial Hospital**, a County agency;
- J.D. Distributors Automotive Supplies, Inc., is not supervised by Nyxlie Machado;
- Nyxlie Machado does not use or attempt to use her position as a Registered Nurse at Jackson Memorial Hospital to secure special privileges or exemptions for J.D. Distributors Automotive Supplies, Inc.;
- Registering as a County vendor does not conflict with any other policies that may have been established for employees of Jackson Memorial Hospital.

Dear Ms. Machado:

In correspondence to our office on June 18, 2013, you asked if J.D. Distributors Automotive Supplies, Inc., may register as a County vendor or enter into contracts with the County.

The facts as we understand them are as follows: You, Nyxlie Machado, are employed part-time as a Registered Nurse with Jackson Memorial Hospital, a County agency. You are also the President and 100% owner of J.D. Distributors Automotive Supplies, Inc., a registered Florida corporation that deals in the wholesale sale of auto supplies.

It is the opinion of the Ethics Commission that J.D. Distributors Automotive Supplies, Inc., may contract with the County as long as entering into the contract will not interfere with the full and faithful discharge of your duties to the County. This includes the requirement that you, Nyxlie Machado, 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, J.D. Distributors Automotive Supplies, Inc., may not contract with the County department that employs you, *i.e.*, Jackson Memorial Hospital, nor with any County department which would allow you to influence the enforcement, oversight, or administration of the contract.

This opinion is limited to the facts as you presented them to the Commission on Ethics regarding conflicts under Subsections (c), (d), and (g) of the Miami-Dade Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance only. Other conflicts, based on directives from Jackson Memorial Hospital or under state law, may apply. If you have additional questions regarding possible conflicts based on directives of Jackson Memorial Hospital, contact the Hospital Director, the Public Health Trust, or the County Mayor's Office. Questions regarding the state ethics laws should be addressed to the State of Florida Commission on Ethics.

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