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Mr. Robichaud:

It was a pleasure to speak with you over the phone. You inquired whether a person that is completing Appendix D, which is part of the Miami-Dade County procurement pack, is required to register as a lobbyist.

The County Ethics Code at Section 2-11.19 (s)(5), specifies that any person who appears as part of an oral presentation team before a County certification, evaluation, selection, technical review or similar committee does not register as a lobbyist, but must be listed on an affidavit (Appendix D of Procurement pack) which must be filed with the Miami-Dade Clerk of the Board at the time the proposal is submitted. No person may appear before any committee on behalf of an individual or firm unless he or she has been listed as part of the firm's presentation team pursuant to section (s)(5).

Therefore, as long as your activities are limited to oral presentations in the circumstances covered by Section 2-11.1(s)(5), filing the affidavit with the Clerk of the Board would suffice and lobbyist registration would not be required. As we discussed, it is important to note that any other communication (other than process or procedure) before or after an oral presentation before any County committee regarding any RFQ, RFP, or bid with County officials or staff, or presentation before the Board of County Commissioners, County board, or County committee requires lobbyist registration. Frequently asked questions about lobbying in Miami-Dade county can be found at : http://ethics.miamidade.gov/library/2015-publications/lobbying_faq_2015a.pdf.

Please contact me if you have any further questions.

Cordially,

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