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RE: REQUEST FOR ADVISORY OPINION 03-70

Dear Ms. Gonzalez:

The Commission on Ethics and Public Trust considered your request for an advisory opinion at its meeting on April 29, 2003 and rendered its opinion based on the facts stated in your letter.

You requested an opinion regarding your firm's ability to provide supplemental AE services for the South Terminal program.

In your request, you advised the Commission that the Aviation Department recently issued a Notice to Professional Consultants for two architectural and engineering agreements for the South Terminal program. The South Terminal program is composed of eight major capital projects. The scope of services for the two contracts includes contract administration and supplemental design services for concourse buildings as well as aircraft apron and taxiway and taxiway areas. The services will include, but not be limited to aviation planning, architecture, landscape architecture, lighting, acoustics,

signage, graphics, industrial design,
interior design, engineering,
telecommunication systems, baggage systems,
security and information systems.

The Notice to Professional Consultants states that " Proposers are hereby advised that no firm that has or will perform services or work as a prime, subconsultant or a member of any tier for the Miami-Dade Aviation Department (MDAD) Miami International Airport for the South Terminal Construction Manager at Risk Contractor, a Joint Venture consisting of Parsons Transportation Group Inc. and Odebrecht Construction Inc. or the MDAD General Consultant Dade Aviation Consultants, a Joint venture comprised of Bechtel Infrastructure Corporation, DMJM Aviation Inc, Spillis Candela DMJM, The Bugdal Group, Poinciana Development Group Inc., Maurice Gray Associates, Inc, Sharpton, Brunson & Company, Inc. and TBI Airport Management Inc. may be included as a prime, subconsultant or member on this agreement. "

Ideal provided services to Edwards and Kelcey (formerly Kunde-Sprecher) on the H-J Utility Project in 2000. The H-J Utility project is one of the capital projects in the South Terminal program. Ideal adapted the MIA Triturators South Site into a parcel of land. The MIA Triturators site was later incorporated into the HJ Utility project.

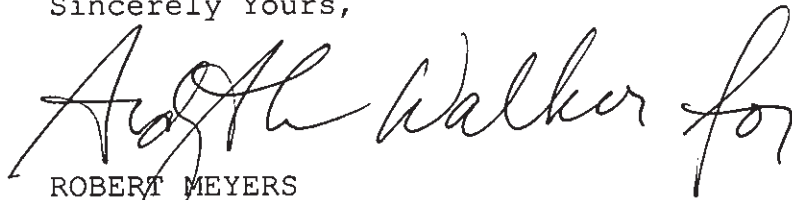
The Commission found Ideal may provide supplemental architectural and engineering services on the South Terminal program. Ideal's prior work on the HJ Utility project does not overlap with the contemplated scope of work for the supplemental AE teams. Further, Ideal is not a part of DAC or the Parsons-Odebrecht joint venture. Therefore, Ideal may provide supplemental AE services for the South Terminal program.

This opinion construes the Miami-Dade Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics

ordinance only and is not applicable to any conflict under state law. Please contact the State of Florida Commission on Ethics if you have any questions regarding possible conflicts under state law.

If you have any questions regarding this opinion, please call Ardyth Walker, Staff General Counsel at (305) 350-0616 or the undersigned at (305) 579-2594.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ardyth Walker for". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name of the signatory.

ROBERT MEYERS
Executive Director