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SIMS TRUCKING DEVELOPMENT, INC.
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Via First Class Mail and Email at JaniceSims12@aol.com

Re: INQ 09-55 Registering as a County Vendor

Dear Mr. Sims:

In correspondence to our office on April 20, 2009, you said that you wish to register your company, SIMS TRUCKING DEVELOPMENT, INC., as a County vendor.

The facts as we understand them are as follows:

- You are employed by the Miami-Dade County Transit Agency as a bus operator.
- SIMS TRUCKING DEVELOPMENT, INC., is a business owned by you and in which you serve as President.
- SIMS TRUCKING DEVELOPMENT, INC., is in the trucking and hauling business.

It is the opinion of the Ethics Commission staff that SIMS TRUCKING DEVELOPMENT, INC., may register to contract with the County as long as any contract does not interfere with the full and faithful discharge of your duties to the County. This includes the condition that you will not participate in determining the contract requirements or in awarding the contract. Additionally, none of your responsibilities will 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 be employed by any County department or agency that will enforce, oversee, or administer the contract. Therefore, **as long as you are employed by the Miami-Dade County Transit Agency, your company may not contract with the Miami-Dade County Transit Agency.**

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