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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** January 5, 2021

**TO:** Lori Vassello, Senior Contract/ Grant Administrator  
Broward County Aviation Department

**THRU:** Sandy-Michael McDonald, Director SANDY-MICHAEL MCDONALD Digitally signed by SANDY-MICHAEL MCDONALD Date: 2021.01.08 13:57:47 -05'00'  
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**FROM:** Maribel Feliciano, Assistant Director MARIBEL FELICIANO Digitally signed by MARIBEL FELICIANO Date: 2021.01.08 12:00:09 -05'00'  
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**SUBJECT:** No County Business Enterprise (CBE) Goal for Fire Alarm System Monitoring, Maintenance, and Repairs at FLL

The Broward County Aviation Department is seeking a vendor to monitor, maintain, and repair the fire alarm system at the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport (FLL). A prerequisite to providing this service is that firms must be certified by the manufacturers of the existing fire alarm systems, Andover Controls and Honeywell, as an Electronic System Distributor (ESD). Additionally, the vendor's service personnel must be NICET-certified (Level II, III or IV) in fire alarm systems. There is an insufficient number of CBE firms in the Broward County Certified Firm Directory that are ready, willing, and able to meet these requirements. Therefore, consistent with the Broward County Business Opportunity Act of 2012, as amended, (the Act) Sec. 1-81.3(a)(1), no CBE goal is applicable for this project. According to Sec. 1-81.10(a)(1) of the Act, if a responsive, responsible bid is received from a certified CBE firm that is within ten percent (10%) of the lowest bid received from a non-CBE firm, the CBE shall be offered the opportunity to match the lowest bid.

This solicitation is subject to the Broward County Workforce Investment Program.

Eligibility for the CBE program is based on economic size standards; the program does not utilize race or gender criteria for either certification or goal methodology purposes. CBE goals are based on an examination of the scope of work and cost estimate as submitted to the Office of Economic and Small Business Development by the Using Agency.

If you have any concerns regarding available subcontracting opportunities, please contact our office at (954) 357-6400.

cc: Donna-Ann Knapp, Small Business Development Specialist, BCAD/OESBD