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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 24, 2020

TO: Patricia Cruz, Purchasing Trainee
Purchasing Division

FROM: Maribel Feliciano, Assistant Director
Office of Economic and Small Business Development

SUBJECT: Solicitation No. BLD2121448B1- Request for Qualifications: Library of Services for Certified Public Accountant
County Business Enterprise (**CBE**) Reserve Evaluation

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The Office of Economic and Small Business Development (OESBD) conducted a review of the respondents to the above referenced solicitation, which is reserved for certified County Business Enterprises (CBE). An overview of the firms is provided as follows:

Firms

Category

A.L. Jackson & Company, P.A.	CBE
Anthony Brunson, P.A.	CBE
C Borders-Byrd, CPA LLC	CBE
Grant, Stewart-Heron, LLC	CBE
HCT Certified Public Accountants & Consultants, LLC	CBE
Janette L. Davis, CPA, LLC	CBE
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	CBE
Absolute Accounting and Business Solutions, Inc.	Non-CBE
Hynds, Keize & Associates, LLC	Non-CBE
Randy K. Lane, PC	Non-CBE
MSL, P.A.	Non-CBE

Compliance Comments:

A.L. Jackson & Company, P.A., Anthony Brunson, P.A., C Borders-Byrd, CPA LLC, Grant, Stewart-Heron, LLC, HCT Certified Public Accountants & Consultants, LLC, Janette L. Davis, CPA, LLC and S. Davis & Associates, P.A. are certified County Business Enterprises (CBE) and are in compliance with the CBE Reserve Program requirements of the solicitation.

Absolute Accounting and Business Solutions, Inc., Hynds, Keize & Associates, LLC, Randy K. Lane, PC, and MSL, P.A. are not certified County Business Enterprises (CBE) and are not in compliance with the CBE Reserve Program requirements of the solicitation.

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Pursuant to Section 1-81.3(f) of the Broward County Business Opportunity Act of 2012 (the Act) as amended, when a CBE reserve is established in connection with a County solicitation, CBEs and non-CBEs may respond to the solicitation. If a CBE with capacity to perform the work submits a responsive and responsible bid or proposal, the work will be awarded to the CBE that submits the lowest responsive and responsible bid or the highest-ranked responsive and responsible proposal. If no CBE firm with capacity to perform the work submits a responsive and responsible bid, a non-CBE with the lowest responsive responsible bid or the highest-ranked responsive and responsible proposal, as applicable may be awarded the contract with at least a twenty-five percent (25%) CBE goal (unless the CBE goal is waived or otherwise notified by Board action), or the county may reject all bids and responses submitted.

cc: Sandy-Michael McDonald, Director, OESBD
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