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October 4, 2011

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable School Board Members

FROM: Kendra Goodman, CPPO, CPPB, Purchasing Agent 

RE: Fifth Year Renewal of a Five-Year Contract
Direct Negotiated Contract – Fire Alarm Installation
SimplexGrinnell

On January 22, 2008, official action (attached) was taken to award the above-referenced negotiated contract to SimplexGrinnell for fire alarm installation. This negotiated contract is for a five-year contract, renewable annually based upon mutual consent of both parties. The first year of the agreement expired on January 21, 2008. Subsequently, the second year of the agreement expired on December 31, 2009 and the third year expired on December 31, 2010. The fourth year of the agreement was awarded on October 22, 2010, and covers the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

Considering services have been satisfactory, Jim Hampton, District General Manager, SimplexGrinnell was contacted to verify his willingness to enter into the fifth year of the agreement. As such, Jim Hampton has agreed, in writing (attached), to enter into the fifth year of the contract.

The terms and conditions of the contract allow for changes (increase and decrease) in labor rates based upon the National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates. SimplexGrinnell has requested, in writing (attached), a price adjustment in accordance with the 2010 National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates for the fifth year beginning January 1, 2012: Helper \$10.81/hr (decrease), Lead Installer \$17.61/hr (increase), Supervisor \$27.55/hr (decrease), and Project Manager \$39.43/hr (increase).

It is my recommendation to enter into the fifth year of the agreement with SimplexGrinnell with the appropriate price adjustments. The fifth year of the contract will cover the period of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 with anticipated expenditures of approximately \$750,000. At this time, we are requesting blanket approval in the amount of \$750,000 in order to reduce delays in processing work orders dealing with the "life, health, safety" issues associated with fire alarms. Funding for this expenditure will come from general and capital funds. As always, the Purchasing Department will monitor and calculate all SimplexGrinnell purchase orders to verify that the dollar limits are not exceeded. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, or if I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

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DIRECT NEGOTIATED RENEWAL REQUEST

TITLE: Simplex Time and Material



Yes, I agree to renew the contract listed above for the fifth year under the same terms and conditions as the existing bid. The renewal period will begin on **January 1, 2012** and will expire on **December 31, 2012**.

No, I do not agree the contract listed above.

COMPANY NAME: Simplex Grinnell, LP

SIGNATURE: [Signature]

TYPED NAME AND TITLE: Jim Hampton District General Manager

TELEPHONE (WITH AREA CODE): 813-626-5482

FAX NUMBER (WITH AREA CODE): 813-313-1606

E-MAIL: jhampton@simplexgrinnell.com

DATE: 15 Sept 2011

NOTE: Awarded vendor may provide updated pricer(s) when published by the respective manufacturer, not to exceed twice a year. In the event the successful bidder fails to deliver a subsequent pricer to the Purchasing Department, with a copy to the Maintenance Department and to unqualifiedly substantiate delivery – the previously delivered pricer **WILL** remain in effect.

By agreeing to renew, vendor acknowledges and agrees to be in compliance with the "Jessica Lunsford Act". Vendors conducting business, with the District School Board of Pasco County, who will (1) be at the school when students are present, or (2) have direct contact with students, or (3) have access to or control of school funds must be Level 2 fingerprinted by Human Resources. If any of the above applies to this contract, you must have those individuals Level 2 fingerprinted and screened by the Districts Human Resource Department prior to commencement of services or work and must provide a list of employees with renewal. Please contact 813/794-2521 to arrange for an appointment. Costs associated with this background screening are to borne by the vendor. You may access information regarding this law by reviewing Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes. This law became effective September 1, 2005.

The prospective bidder certifies, by submission and signature of this bid renewal form, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction per the provisions of Florida Statute 287.133(2)(a).

PLEASE FAX BACK TO:

DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF PASCO COUNTY
ATTENTION: Andrea Jackson, Interim Buyer Assistant
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Thomas Akos

Electronic Operations Manager

takos@simplexgrinnell.com

September 22, 2011

Pasco County Public School District
7227 land O Lakes Blvd
Land O Lakes, Florida 34639
Attn: Debra Mateo

Re: Labor Rate 2012 PCSB Contract

Dear Ms. Mateo:

In accordance with the Direct Negotiated Contract for Fire Alarm Installation between the Pasco County School Board and SimplexGrinnell, we respectfully submit the following rate adjustments for the following Occupational Codes.

Technician	49-2094 No Change
Helper	49-9098 \$10.81/hr
Lead Installer	49-2098 \$17.61/hr
Supervisor	49-1011 \$27.55/hr
Project Manager	11-9021 \$39.43/hr

SimplexGrinnell wishes to enter into year 5 of the Direct Negotiated Contract for Fire Alarm Installation.

James Hampton
District General Manager

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any comments or questions.

Best Regards,

Thomas Akos
Electronic Operations Manager

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November 2, 2010

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable School Board Members

FROM: Kendra Goodman, CPPO, CPPB, Purchasing Agent

RE: Fourth Year Renewal of Five-Year Contract
Direct Negotiated Contract for Fire Alarm Installation
SimplexGrinnell

On January 22, 2008, official action (attached) was taken to award the above-referenced negotiated contract to SimplexGrinnell. This negotiated contract is a five-year contract, renewable annually based upon mutual consent of both parties. The second year of the agreement expired on December 31, 2009. Subsequently, the third year of the agreement was awarded on December 1, 2009 and covers the period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

Considering services have been satisfactory, James E. Hampton, District General Manager, SimplexGrinnell, was contacted to verify his willingness to enter into the fourth year of the agreement. As such, James E. Hampton has agreed in writing (attached), to enter into the fourth year of the contract.

The terms and conditions of the contract allow for changes (increase and decrease) in labor rates based upon the National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates. SimplexGrinnell has requested, in writing (attached), a price adjustment in accordance with the 2009 National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates for the third year beginning January 1, 2011: Helper \$10.95 (increase), Lead Installer \$16.83 (increase), Supervisor \$25.77 (increase), Project Manager \$39.05 (increase).

At this time, it is my recommendation to enter into the fourth year of the agreement with SimplexGrinnell with the appropriate price adjustments. The fourth year of the contract will cover the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 with anticipated expenditures of approximately \$750,000. At this time, we are requesting blanket approval in the amount of \$750,000 in order to reduce delays in processing work orders dealing with the "life, health, safety" issues associated with fire alarms. Funding for these expenditure will come from general and capital funds. As always, the Purchasing Department will monitor and calculate all SimplexGrinnell purchase orders to verify that the dollar limits are not exceeded. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, or if I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

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DIRECT NEGOTIATED RENEWAL REQUEST TITLE: Simplex Fire Alarm Installation

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Yes, I agree to renew the contract listed above under the same terms and conditions as the existing bid. The renewal period will begin on January 1, 2011 and will expire on December 31, 2011.

No, I do not agree the contract listed above.

COMPANY NAME: Simplex Grinnell

SIGNATURE: [Signature]

TYPED NAME AND TITLE: James E. Hampton District Manager

TELEPHONE (WITH AREA CODE): (813) 626-5482

FAX NUMBER (WITH AREA CODE): (813) 313-1606

E-MAIL: jhampton@simplexgrinnell.com

DATE: Oct. 8, 2010

NOTE: Awarded vendor may provide updated pricer(s) when published by the respective manufacturer, not to exceed twice a year. In the event the successful bidder fails to deliver a subsequent pricer to the Purchasing Department, with a copy to the Maintenance Department and to unqualifiedly substantiate delivery -- the previously delivered pricer WILL remain in effect.

By agreeing to renew, vendor acknowledges and agrees to be in compliance with the "Jessica Lunsford Act". Vendors conducting business, with the District School Board of Pasco County, who will (1) be at the school when students are present, or (2) have direct contact with students, or (3) have access to or control of school funds must be Level 2 fingerprinted by Human Resources. If any of the above applies to this contract, you must have those individuals Level 2 fingerprinted and screened by the Districts Human Resource Department prior to commencement of services or work and must provide a list of employees with renewal. Please contact 813/794-2521 to arrange for an appointment. Costs associated with this background screening are to borne by the vendor. You may access information regarding this law by reviewing Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes. This law became effective September 1, 2005.

The prospective bidder certifies, by submission and signature of this bid renewal form, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction per the provisions of Florida Statute 287.133(2)(a).

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Thomas Akos
Electronic Operations Manager

takos@simplexgrinnell.com

September 28, 2010

Pasco County Public School District
7227 land O Lakes Blvd
Land O Lakes, Florida 34639
Attn: Andrea Jackson

Re: Labor Rate 2011 PCSB Contract

Ms. Ms. Jackson:

In accordance with the Direct Negotiated Contract for Fire Alarm Installation between the Pasco County School Board and SimplexGrinnell, we respectfully submit the following rate adjustments for the following Occupational Codes.

Technician	49-2094 No Change
Helper	49-9098 \$10.95/hr
Lead Installer	49-2098 \$16.83/hr
Supervisor	49-1011 \$25.77/hr
Project Manager	11-9021 \$39.05/hr

SimplexGrinnell wishes to enter into year 4 of the Direct Negotiated Contract for Fire Alarm Installation.

James Hampton
District General Manager

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any comments or questions.

Best Regards,

Thomas Akos
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December 1, 2009

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable School Board Members

FROM: Kendra Goodman, CPPB, Purchasing Agent *KGD*

RE: SimplexGrinnell
Direct Negotiated Contract for Fire Alarm Installation
Third Year Renewal of Five-Year Contract

On January 22, 2008, official action (attached) was taken to award the above-referenced negotiated contract to SimplexGrinnell. This negotiated contract is for a five-year contract, renewable annually based upon mutual consent of both parties. The first year of the agreement expired on December 31, 2008. Subsequently, the second year of the agreement was awarded on November 18, 2008 and covers the period of January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009.

Considering services have been satisfactory, James E. Hampton, District General Manager, SimplexGrinnell, was contacted to verify his willingness to enter into the third year of the agreement. As such, James E. Hampton has agreed, in writing (attached), to enter into the third year of the contract.

The terms and conditions of the contract allow for changes (increase and decrease) in labor rates based upon the National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates. SimplexGrinnell has requested, in writing (attached), a price adjustment in accordance with the 2008 National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates for the third year beginning January 1, 2010: Helper \$10.86 (no change), Lead Installer \$16.64 (increase), Supervisor \$24.50 (increase), Project Manager \$38.58 (increase).

At this time, it is my recommendation to enter into the third year of the agreement with SimplexGrinnell with the appropriate price adjustments. The third year of the contract will cover the period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 with anticipated expenditures of approximately \$770,000. At this time, we are requesting blanket approval in the amount of \$770,000 in order to reduce delays in processing work orders dealing with the "life, health, safety" issues associated with fire alarms. As always, the Purchasing Department will monitor and calculate all SimplexGrinnell purchase orders to verify that the dollar limits are not exceeded. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, or if I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

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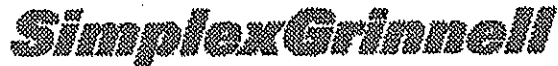
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Thomas Akos
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September 30, 2009

Pasco County Public School District
7227 Land O Lakes Blvd
Land O Lakes, Florida 34639
Attn: Laurie Roberts

Re: Labor Rate 2010 PCSB Contract

Ms. Roberts:

In accordance with the Direct Negotiated Contract for Fire Alarm Installation between the Pasco County School Board and SimplexGrinnell, we respectfully submit the following rate adjustments for the following Occupational Codes.

Technician	49-2094 No Change
Helper	49-9098 \$10.86/hr
Lead Installer	49-2098 \$16.64/hr
Supervisor	49-1011 \$24.50/hr
Project Manager	11-9021 \$38.58/hr

SimplexGrinnell wishes to enter into year 3 of the Direct Negotiated Contract for Fire Alarm Installation.

James Hampton
District General Manager

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any comments or questions.

Best Regards,

Thomas Akos
Electronic Operations Manager

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November 18, 2008

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable School Board Members

FROM: Kendra Goodman, CPPB, Purchasing Agent *KDG*

RE: SimplexGrinnell
Direct Negotiated Contract for Fire Alarm Installation
Second Year Renewal of Five-Year Contract

On January 22, 2008, official action (attached) was taken to award the above-referenced negotiated contract to SimplexGrinnell. This negotiated contract is for a five-year contract, renewable annually based upon mutual consent of both parties. The first year of the agreement will expire on December 31, 2008.

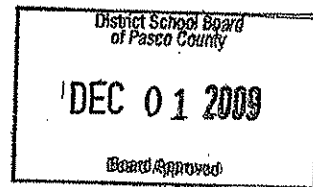
Considering services have been satisfactory, James E. Hampton, District General Manager, SimplexGrinnell, was contacted to verify his willingness to enter into the second year of the agreement. As such, James E. Hampton has agreed, in writing (attached), to enter into the second year of the contract.

The terms and conditions of the contract allow for changes (increase and decrease) in labor rates based upon the National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates. SimplexGrinnell has requested, in writing (attached), a price adjustment in accordance with the 2007 National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates for the second year beginning January 1, 2009: Helper \$10.86 (increase), Lead Installer \$16.10 (decrease), Supervisor \$23.12 (decrease), Project Manager \$34.91 (decrease).

At this time, it is my recommendation to enter into the second year of the agreement with SimplexGrinnell with the appropriate price adjustments. The second year of the contract will cover the period of January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009 with anticipated expenditures of approximately \$1,395,000. At this time, we are requesting blanket approval in the amount of \$1,395,000 in order to reduce delays in processing work orders dealing with the "life, health, safety" issues associated with fire alarms. As always, the Purchasing Department will monitor and calculate all SimplexGrinnell purchase orders to verify that the dollar limits are not exceeded. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, or if I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

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September 18, 2008

DIRECT NEGOTIATION RENEWAL REQUEST

TITLE: Simplex Fire Alarm Installation

☒ Yes, I agree to renew the contract listed above, under the same terms and conditions as the existing contract. The renewal period will begin on January 1, 2009 and expire on December 31, 2009

☐ No, I do not agree to the contract listed above.

Company Name: Simplex Grinnell

Signature: [Signature] Date: 9/23/08

Typed Name and Title: James E. Hampton, District General Manager

Telephone (w/area code): (813) 626-5482 Fax Number (w/area code): 813-664-1731

DATE DUE: PLEASE FAX TO PURCHASING NO LATER THAN ASAP.

By agreeing to renew, vendor acknowledges and agrees to be in compliance with the "Jessica Lunsford Act". Vendors conducting business, with the District School Board of Pasco County, who will (1) be at the school when students are present, or (2) have direct contact with students, or (3) have access to or control of school funds must be Level 2 fingerprinted by Human Resources. If any of the above applies to this contract, you must have those individuals Level 2 fingerprinted and screened by the Districts Human Resource Department prior to commencement of services or work and must provide a list of employees with renewal. Please contact 813/794-2521 to arrange for an appointment. Costs associated with this background screening are to borne by the vendor. You may access information regarding this law through the internet link: http://election.dos.state.fl.us/laws/0511laws/ch_2005-028.pdf. This law is effective September 1, 2005.

The prospective bidder certifies, by submission and signature of this bid renewal form, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction per the provisions of Florida Statute 287.133(2)(a).

PLEASE RETURN TO: DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF PASCO COUNTY
ATTN: Chrystal Cahill, Buyer Assistant
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Thomas J. Akos
Alarm and Detection Manager
Tampa District

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October 30, 2008

Pasco County Public School District
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Attn: Laurie Roberts

Re: Labor Rate 2009 PCSB Contract

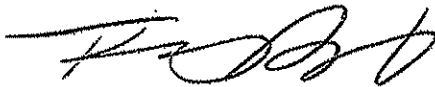
Ms. Roberts:

In accordance with the Sole Source Account Agreement for Pasco County School Board, SimplexGrinnell submits the following rate adjustments for the following Occupational Codes.

Technician	49-2094	No Change
Helper	49-9098	\$10.86/ hr
Lead Installer	49-2098	\$16.10/ hr
Supervisor	49-1011	\$23.12/ hr
Project Manager	11-9021	\$34.91/ hr

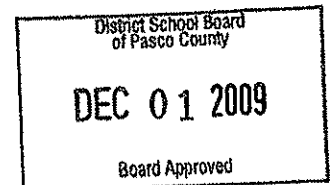
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Sincerely



Thomas Akos
Alarm and Detection Manager

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January 16, 2008

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable School Board Members

FROM: Kendra Goodman, CPPB, Purchasing Agent 

RE: SimplexGrinnell
Direct Negotiated Contract for Fire Alarm Installation

On November 20, 2007, official action (attached) was given to allow permission to negotiate a direct contract with SimplexGrinnell for the acquisition of parts, software and labor associated with The District's electronic fire alarm systems "as needed" for use throughout the District.

As you know, the Department of Education Rule 6A-1.012(10), allows a district school board, when acquiring high technology resources to make any acquisition through direct negotiation and contract with a vendor as best fits the needs of the school district. As indicated in our previous request, the attached contract with pricing is now being submitted for your approval. This is a five-year contract, renewable annually based upon mutual consent of both parties. The first year of the contract shall be effective from January 23, 2008 to December 31, 2008. The anticipated annual expenditures will be approximately \$710,000 to install additional devices as needed, relocate portable classroom fire alarm systems and for new system upgrades. The agreement has been reviewed and approved by The School District's Attorney, Nancy McClain Alfonso.

Should you have any questions regarding this request, or if I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

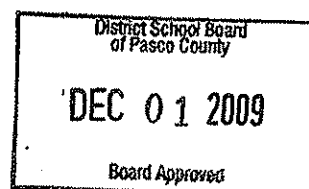
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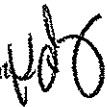
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November 14, 2007

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable School Board Members

FROM: Kendra Goodman, CPPB, Purchasing Agent 

RE: Request Permission to Negotiate
Simplex Fire Alarm Systems

On November 19, 2002, official action (attached) was granted to allow permission to directly negotiate the acquisition of parts, software and labor associated with The District's electronic fire alarm systems for Simplex products. Considering the fifth year of this contract will expire on December 31, 2007, the Maintenance and Facility Services Department, Construction Services and Code Compliance, and the Purchasing Department have been reviewing the existing contract, conditions, and past rational to verify the applicability of future negotiations through the bid exemptions as presently allowed through the Department of Education rule 6A-1.012 (10) – Information technology.

Currently under the Department of Education rule 6A-1.012(10) allows the Board to enter into direct negotiations for high technology hardware, software and components when it is in their best interest to do so. The term information technology as defined in State Statutes 282.0041(7) means "equipment, hardware, software, firmware, programs, systems, networks, infrastructure, media, and related material used to automatically, electronically, and wirelessly collect, receive, access, transmit, display, store, record, retrieve, analyze, evaluate, process, classify, manipulate, manage, assimilate, control, communicate, exchange, convert, converge, interface, switch, or disseminate information of any kind or form."

Given the fact that the majority of fire alarm systems in the district are similar to computers in that they have front-end processors, data terminals, data storage units, miscellaneous peripheral equipment and data is automatically and electronically transmitted, displayed, stored analyzed, processed, communicated and disseminated to the appropriate fire authorities it appears that Simplex fire alarm systems fulfill the definition and intent of DOE's terminology for information technology and, therefore, would be exempt from the competitive bidding process.

Based upon past and present rationale, it is my recommendation that this acquisition be negotiated as allowed under the above-referenced rule as a multi-year contract, renewable annually by mutual agreement of both parties for a period not to exceed five years. Upon reaching a successful conclusion, I will forward copies of the contract and prices for your ratification.

Should you have any questions regarding this request, or if I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board Members

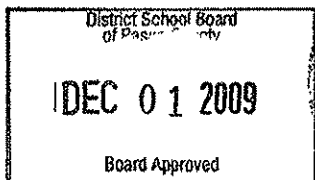
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RE: Request Permission to Negotiate – Simplex Fire Alarm Systems

On July 1, 1997, The Board granted permission to directly negotiate the acquisition of parts, software, and labor associated with The District's electronic fire alarm systems for Simplex products. At the time, Ken Trufant, Purchasing Agent, provided details and rationale for that recommendation – see attached. Subsequently, a five-year contract, renewable annually based upon mutual agreement, was successfully negotiated.

Considering the fifth year of this agreement will expire on December 31, 2002, the Maintenance and Purchasing Departments have been reviewing the existing contract, conditions, and past rationale to verify the applicability of future negotiations through the bid exemptions as presently allowed through DOE Section 6A1.012(10) – information technology.

Currently under DOE rules, *information technology resources* “may be acquired through either a bid process or by direct negotiations and contract with a vendor or supplier, as best fits the needs of the school district as determined by the school board.” The term *information technology* as defined in State Statutes 282.0041(7) means “equipment, hardware, software, firmware, programs, systems, networks, infrastructure, media, and related material used to automatically, electronically, and wirelessly collect, receive, access, transmit, display, store, record, retrieve, analyze, evaluate, process, classify, manipulate, manage, assimilate, control, communicate, exchange, convert, converge, interface, switch, or disseminate information of any kind or form.”



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Given the fact that the vast majority of the fire alarm system mechanisms consist of:

- (1) Devices that are similar to computer components - Central and front-end processors, data terminals, data storage units, and miscellaneous peripheral equipment and;
- (2) Whereby data is automatically and electronically transmitted, displayed, stored, analyzed, and processed via interfacing with the District's existing networks; and
- (3) Whereby the gathered data is communicated and disseminated to the appropriate fire authority;

it appears that the Simplex fire alarm systems fulfill the definition and intent of DOE's terminology for *information technology* and, therefore, would be exempt from the competitive bidding process.

Based upon past and present rationale, it is my recommendation that this acquisition be negotiated as allowed under the above-referenced rule as a multi-year agreement, renewable annually by mutual agreement of both parties for a period not to exceed five years. Upon reaching a successful conclusion, I will forward copies of the contract and prices for your ratification.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further, contact me at your convenience.

Attachment (3)

XC: Wendell Krinn, Director of Maintenance
John Petrashek, Director of New Construction
Dave Beals, Crew Chief, Electronics

