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LEROY D. BACA, SHERIFF

February 7, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING AGENT TO PURCHASE THREE FIXED ASSET ITEMS IN EXCESS OF $250,000 EACH (FIFTH DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Authorize the County's purchasing agent to proceed with solicitation and purchase of three (3) fixed asset items (Absorption Chillers) in excess of $250,000 each.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF THE RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended action will allow the purchase of three (3) new absorption chiller units and provide for the installation, start up, and maintenance warranty agreements for the units.

These new units will replace the three existing chiller units (original equipment) at the North County Correctional Facility (NCCF) located at the Peter J. Pitchess Detention Center.

The current units have surpassed their life expectancy of 10-12 years and are unable to meet the demands of the facility during warm weather. The facility utilizes 380 employees and houses between 3900 and 4000 inmates.

The new equipment will operate more efficiently, economically, and will meet the current Air Quality Management District (AQMD) standards.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action meets the County's Strategic Goal for Service Excellence, by improving our ability to provide environmentally compliant and efficient climate control to the NCCF Facility.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The estimated cost of this purchase is $2,000,000. The Inmate Welfare Fund has approved and allocated the funds for this purchase.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On October 16, 2001, your Board adopted a policy whereby departments shall obtain Board approval to purchase or finance equipment with a unit cost of $250,000 or greater, prior to submitting their purchase requisitions.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES OR PROJECTS

California Code Regulations (CCR) Title 24, Part 2, Part 4, and Part 6 require that a comfortable living environment be maintained for the inmates.

CONCLUSION

Upon approval by your Board, please provide two (2) individually certified copies of the Board-adopted letter to the Los Angeles County Sheriffs Department. The Department's contact for this requested Board action is Dean Stroud, Director, Facilities Services Bureau, at (626) 300-3040.

Sincerely,

Lee Baca

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