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October 30, 2003

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

Dear Supervisors:

AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO AGREEMENT NO. H-210686
WITH SIEMENS MEDICAL SOLUTIONS, INC.
(1st, 2nd and 5th Districts) (3 Votes)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve and instruct the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to sign the attached Amendment No. 3, (Exhibit I), to Agreement No. H-210686, extending the term of the Agreement effective July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004, and increasing the maximum obligation from \$242,000 to \$858,160, an increase of \$616,160, 100% net county cost.
2. Approve and instruct the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to authorize the name change of the contractor from Siemens Medical Systems, Inc., to Siemens Medical Solutions, Inc. and so state on Amendment No. 3 to Agreement No. H-210686.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

On June 17, 2003, the Board approved the extension of several agreements for various services. Siemens Medical Systems, Inc. was one of the agreements in this Board action that was amended. Inadvertently, the maximum obligation was stated incorrectly.

Existing County policy and procedures require the timely submission of contracts for Board approval. However, this Amendment No. 3 was not scheduled three weeks prior to the Board Agenda date because of the urgency to have the maximum obligation corrected and reflect the name change of the Contractor.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: (Cont'd)

Approval of the amendment will ensure that essential maintenance and repair services to County-owned Siemens imaging equipment currently in use at LAC+USC Medical Center (LAC+USC MC), Martin Luther King, Jr./Drew Medical Center (King/Drew MC), Olive View/UCLA Medical Center (OV/UCLA MC), and Edward R. Roybal Comprehensive Health Center (Roybal CHC) will be maintained in accordance to manufacturers' performance standards.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

Amendment No.3 will increase the maximum County obligation of the existing agreement from \$242,000 to \$858,160 (\$510,708 for LAC+USC MC, \$47,452 for Roybal CHC, \$128,000 for King/Drew MC and \$172,000 for OV/UCLA MC). This revised amount is consistent with Amendment No.2 that the Board approved on July 30,2002 that increased the maximum obligation of the agreement from \$957,727 to \$977,727 for the period August 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

The Board approved the original agreement with Siemens Medical Systems, Inc. on June 29, 1999.

Subsequently, Amendment No. 1 was approved on December 5, 2000 and Amendment No. 2 was approved on July 30, 2002.

On June 17, 2003, the Board approved an amendment with Siemens Medical Systems, Inc., extending the term on a month to month basis effective July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004. The amendment added the newly approved Safely Surrendered Baby language and No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/Termination of Agreement.

The name of the contractor from Siemens Medical Systems, Inc. has been changed to Siemens Medical Solutions, Inc.

Amendment No. 3 has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

The contractor is in compliance with all Board, CAO and County Counsel requirements.

The Department has determined that this is not a Prop A contract, therefore provisions of the Living Wage Program do not apply.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS):

Approval of Amendment No. 3 will assure the continued provision of maintenance and repair services of imaging equipment at LAC+USCMC, King/Drew MC, OV/UCLAMC and Roybal CHC while the master agreement process is completed.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
October 30, 2003
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When approved, this Department requires three signed copies of the Board's action.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D.
Director and Chief Medical Officer

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Attachments (2)

c: Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Auditor Controller

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT

1. TYPE OF SERVICE:

Maintenance and repair services for imaging equipment at LAC+USC Medical Center (LAC+USC MC), Martin Luther King, Jr./Drew Medical Center (King/Drew MC), Olive View/UCLA Medical Center (OV/UCLA MC) and Edward R. Roybal Comprehensive Health Center (Roybal CHC).

2. AGENCY ADDRESS AND CONTACT PERSON:

Siemens Medical Solutions, Inc.
13073 East 166th Street
Cerritos, CA 90703
Attention: Peter Ramirez
Telephone: (800) 944-9012

3. TERM:

The term of Amendment No. 3 is from July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004.

4. FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The total maximum obligation for the period July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004 is \$858,160. Funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2003-04 Adopted Budget.

5. Accountable for Monitoring:

Administrators at each DHS facility

67. APPROVALS:

LAC+USC MC and Roybal CHC:	Pete Delgado, Chief Executive Officer
King/Drew MC:	Willie T. May, Acting Chief Executive Officer
OV/UCLA MC:	Melinda Anderson, Chief Executive Officer
Contracts and Grants Division:	Riley J. Austin, Acting Chief
County Counsel (approval as to form):	Irene E. Riley, Associate County Counsel

Exhibit I

Contract No. H-210686

**IMAGING EQUIPMENT
MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES AGREEMENT**

AMENDMENT NO. 3

THIS AMENDMENT is made and entered into this _____ day
of _____, 2003,

by and between

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
(hereafter "County"),

and

SIEMENS MEDICAL SOLUTIONS,
INC. (hereafter "Contractor").

WHEREAS, reference is made to that certain document entitled
"IMAGING EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES AGREEMENT",
dated June 29, 1999, and further identified as County Agreement
H-210686, Amendment No. 1, dated December 5, 2000 and Amendment
No. 2, dated July 30, 2002 (hereafter referred to as
"Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the parties to amend Agreement
to extend its term and to make the changes described hereinafter;
and

WHEREAS, said Agreement provides that changes may be made in
the form of a written amendment which if formally approved and
executed by the parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. NAME CHANGE: That, Siemens Medical Systems, Inc. to
changed to Siemens Medical Solutions, Inc.

2. TERM AND TERMINATION: This Amendment shall become effective July 1, 2003.

3. The term of the Agreement is hereby extended on a month-to month basis, for a maximum of twelve (12) months, from July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004, unless sooner terminated by County.

4. That Paragraph 39, MAXIMUM OBLIGATION be added to the Agreement to read as follows:

"39. MAXIMUM OBLIGATION: The maximum obligation for all services provided pursuant to this Amendment, shall not exceed \$858,160.

5. That Paragraph 40, NO PAYMENT FOR SERVICES PROVIDED FOLLOWING EXPIRATION/TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT be added to the Agreement to read as follows:

"40. NO PAYMENT FOR SERVICES PROVIDED FOLLOWING EXPIRATION/TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT: Contractor shall have no claim against County for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Agreement. Should Contractor receive any such payment it shall immediately notify County and shall immediately repay all such funds to County. Payment by County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of County's right to recover such payment from Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of Agreement."

6. That Paragraph 41, NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW be added to the Agreement to read as follows:

"41. NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW: Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in Exhibit G, Safely Surrendered Baby Law, attached herein as reference and is also available on the Internet at www.babysafela.org for printing purposes."

7. That Paragraph 42, CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW be added to the Agreement to read as follows:

"42. CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW: Contractor acknowledges that County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. Contractor understands that it is County policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post the County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at Contractor's place of business. Contractor will also encourage its Subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in

a prominent position in the Subcontractors place of business. The County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply Contractor with the poster to be used."

8. Except for the changes set forth herein above, Agreement shall not be changed in any other respect by this Amendment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Agreement to be subscribed by its

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Director of Health Services and Contractor has caused this Amendment to be subscribed in its behalf by its duly authorized officer, the day, month, and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By _____
Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D.
Director and Chief Medical Officer

SIEMENS MEDICAL SOLUTIONS, INC.

Siemens Medical Solutions I
Contractor

By Peter Kamira
Signature

Peter Kamira
Printed Name

Title Service Sales Manager
(AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL HERE)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

LLOYD W. PELLMAN
County Counsel

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO CONTRACT
ADMINISTRATION:

Department of Health Services

By _____
Acting Chief,
Contracts and Grants Division

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SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

No shame.

No blame.

No names.

**Newborns can be safely given up
at any Los Angeles County
hospital emergency room or fire station.**



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This initiative is also supported by First 5 LA and INFO LINE of Los Angeles.

What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents to give up their baby confidentially. As long as the baby has not been abused or neglected, parents may give up their newborn without fear of arrest or prosecution.

How does it work?

A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially and safely give up a baby within three days of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a Los Angeles County emergency room or fire station. As long as the child shows no signs of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, workers will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent.

What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their newborns within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

Can only a parent bring in the baby?

In most cases, a parent will bring in the baby. The law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have legal custody.

Does the parent have to call before bringing in the baby?

No. A parent can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week so long as the parent gives the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

Does a parent have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital personnel will ask the parent to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the child. Although encouraged, filling out the questionnaire is not required.

What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment, if needed. Then the baby will be placed in a pre-adoptive home.

What happens to the parent?

Once the parent(s) has safely turned over the baby, they are free to go.

Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned by their parents and potentially being hurt or killed. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. The parents who committed these acts may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their infants. Abandoning a baby puts the child in extreme danger. It is also illegal. Too often, it results in the baby's death. Because of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, this tragedy doesn't ever have to happen in California again.

A baby's story

At 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 25, 2002, a healthy newborn baby was brought to St. Bernardine Medical Center in San Bernardino under the provisions of the California Safely Surrendered Baby Law. As the law states, the baby's mother did not have to identify herself. When the baby was brought to the emergency room, he was examined by a pediatrician, who determined that the baby was healthy and doing fine. He was placed with a loving family while the adoption process was started.

Every baby deserves a chance for a healthy life. If someone you know is considering abandoning a newborn, let her know there are other options.

It is best that women seek help to receive proper medical care and counseling while they are pregnant. But at the same time, we want to assure parents who choose not to keep their baby that they will not go to jail if they deliver their babies to safe hands in any Los Angeles County hospital ER or fire station.

Sin pena. Sin culpa. Sin peligro.

Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados
en forma segura en la sala de emergencia de
cualquier hospital o en un cuartel de bomberos
del Condado de Los Angeles.



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Esta Iniciativa también está apoyada por First 5 LA y INFO LINE de Los Angeles.

¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro de California permite a los padres entregar a su recién nacido confidencialmente. Siempre que el bebé no haya sufrido abuso ni negligencia, padres pueden entregar a su recién nacido sin temor a ser arrestados o procesados.

¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura, dentro de los tres días del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de una sala de emergencias o de un cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazalete y el padre/madre recibirá un brazalete igual.

¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden empezar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Angeles, al 1-800-540-4000.

¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

En la mayoría de los casos, los padres son los que llevan al bebé. La ley permite que otras personas lleven al bebé si tienen la custodia legal del menor.

¿Los padres deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre puede llevar a su bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, mientras que entregue a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o de un cuartel de bomberos.

¿Es necesario que el padre/madre diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital le pedirá que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para los cuidados que recibirá el bebé. Es recomendado llenar este cuestionario, pero no es obligatorio hacerlo.

¿Qué ocurrirá con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y, de ser necesario, recibirá tratamiento médico. Luego el bebé se entregará a un hogar preadoptivo.

¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre?

Una vez que los padres hayan entregado a su bebé en forma segura, serán libres de irse.

¿Por qué California hace esto?

La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro es proteger a los bebés del abandono por parte de sus padres y de la posibilidad de que mueran o sufran daños. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Es posible que los padres que cometieron estos actos hayan estado atravesando dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus recién nacidos porque tenían miedo y no tenían adónde recurrir para obtener ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido lo pone en una situación de peligro extremo. Además es ilegal. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. Ahora, gracias a la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro, esta tragedia ya no debe suceder nunca más en California.

Historia de un bebé

A las 8:30 a.m. del jueves 25 de julio de 2002, se entregó un bebé recién nacido saludable en el St. Bernardine Medical Center en San Bernardino, en virtud de las disposiciones de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro. Como lo establece la ley, la madre del bebé no se tuvo que identificar. Cuando el bebé llegó a la sala de emergencias, un pediatra lo revisó y determinó que el bebé estaba saludable y no tenía problemas. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia, mientras se iniciaban los trámites de adopción.

Cada recién nacido merece una oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele qué otras opciones tiene.

Es mejor que las mujeres busquen ayuda para recibir atención médica y asesoramiento adecuado durante el embarazo. Pero al mismo tiempo, queremos asegurarnos a los padres que optan por no quedarse con su bebé que no frán a la cárcel si dejan a sus bebés en buenas manos en cualquier sala de emergencia de un hospital o en un cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles.