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DATE: October 14, 2010

TO: Honorable Members of the Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: John J. Hsu, P.E.
Commissioner of Public Works

RE: Authority to amend a resolution authorizing the County to enter into a total of six (6) agreements with six (6) contractors for the purpose of obtaining up to 2,000 home energy audits for residential property owners in Westchester County in order to change the name of one (1) of the six (6) contractors. (Agreement No. 10-929)

On July 22, 2010, your Honorable Board approved a resolution (the "July 22nd Resolution") authorizing the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting on behalf of the Westchester/Putnam Workforce Investment Board, to enter into a total of six (6) agreements with the six (6) contractors listed below, for the purpose of obtaining up to 2,000 home energy audits for residential property owners in Westchester County, for the period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011, for an amount not to exceed \$100.00 per audit and a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$200,000.00:

- 1.) Alternate Design, Inc. d/b/a Bright Homes Energy Ideas
- 2.) Singer Holding Corporation d/b/a Comfort Solutions
- 3.) Green Star Energy Solutions, LLC
- 4.) All HVAC Service Company, Inc.
- 5.) Brighthouse Energy Solutions, LLC
- 6.) Franzoso Contracting, Inc.

On September 16, 2010, your Honorable Board approved a resolution (the "September 16th Resolution") amending the July 22nd Resolution in order to change the name of one (1) of the contractors from "Alternate Design, Inc. d/b/a Bright Homes Energy Ideas" to "Bright Energy Ideas, LLC".

It has recently come to the County's attention that a combination of an error by a contractor and a misunderstanding by the County lead to the incorrect corporate name of a second contractor being specified in the July 22nd Resolution. Accordingly, the County now respectfully requests that your Honorable Board amend the July 22nd Resolution, as amended by the September 16th Resolution, to change "Singer Holding Corporation d/b/a Comfort Solutions" to "Comfordsave Solutions, LLC".

Except as specifically amended hereby, all remaining terms and conditions set forth in the July 22nd Resolution, as amended by the September 16th Resolution, shall remain in full force and effect.

The proposed agreements will serve a public purpose by providing free home energy audits to residential property owners in Westchester County, thereby giving them the information they need to make their home more energy-efficient and reduce their energy costs and usage and their impact on the environment.

The goals and objectives of the proposed agreements are to provide up to 2,000 home energy audits for residential property owners in Westchester County, as well as simultaneously make those property owners aware of funding opportunities available to them to actually make energy-efficiency improvements.

The goals and objectives of the proposed agreements are in the best interest of the County in terms of health and the environment, as these free home energy audits will provide residential property owners with the information they need in order to make their homes more energy-efficient and, as a result, reduce their homes' energy costs and usage and related impacts on the environment. The goals and objectives of the proposed agreements are also in the best interests of the County in terms of fiscal responsibility, as all of the audits that are to be conducted will be paid for solely by the aforementioned federal grant.

The goals and objectives of the proposed agreements will be tracked and monitored via submission of a completed audit report signed by the homeowner, follow up phone call by a customer service representative from United Way 211, and program staff monthly reports.

Accordingly, I most respectfully recommend approval of the attached resolution.

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RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the resolution approved on July 22, 2010 (the "July 22nd Resolution"), as amended by the resolution approved on September 16, 2010 (the "September 16th Resolution"), which authorized the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting on behalf of the Westchester/Putnam Workforce Investment Board, to enter into a total of six (6) agreements with six (6) contractors, for the purpose of obtaining up to 2,000 home energy audits for residential property owners in Westchester County, for the period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011, for an amount not-to-exceed \$100.00 per audit and a total aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$200,000.00, is hereby amended by changing the name of the contractor listed as "Singer Holding Corporation d/b/a Comfort Solutions" to "Comfortsave Solutions, LLC"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that except as specifically amended hereby, all remaining terms and conditions set forth in the July 22nd Resolution, as amended by the September 16th Resolution, shall remain in full force and effect; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee is hereby authorized to execute all documents and take all actions necessary to effectuate the purpose hereof.

Account to be Charged/Credited	Fund	Dept.	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
	263	46	023K	8675	T023	\$0.00

Budget Funding Year(s) 2010-2011 Start Date 07/01/10 End Date 06/30/11
(must match resolution)

Funding Source: Tax Dollars _____ Contractor Federal I.D. No./ Social Security No.: _____
 State Aid _____

\$0.00 Federal Aid 100% USDOE EECBG Vendor No.: _____
(must match resolution)

Other _____ Encumbrance No.: _____

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