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To: Members of the Board of Acquisition and Contract

From: Bruce B. Berger
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Re: Authorizing the County of Westchester to exercise its second option to renew, and thereby extend for one year, its agreement with the Doyle Carden Group LLC (“Doyle”), pursuant to which Doyle was to conduct background investigations on behalf of the Westchester County Solid Waste Commission

By resolution approved on December 22, 2009, your Honorable Board authorized the County of Westchester (the “County”), acting by and through its Solid Waste Commission (the “Commission”), to enter into an agreement with the Doyle Carden Group LLC (“Doyle”), pursuant to which Doyle was to conduct background investigations and verify application and application renewal materials submitted pursuant to Chapter 826-a of the Laws of Westchester County, entitled the Westchester County Solid Waste and Recyclables Collection Licensing Law (“Chapter 826-a”), for one-year term commencing approximately December 1, 2009, with four (4) one-year renewal options, exercisable in the County’s sole discretion (the “Agreement”). The Agreement was subsequently executed.

By resolution approved on March 18, 2011, your Honorable Board authorized the County, acting by and through the Commission, to exercise the first option to renew the Agreement (the “First Option”). The County subsequently exercised the First Option.

The County now seeks authority from your Honorable Board to exercise the County’s second option to renew the Agreement, and thereby extend the term of the Agreement by one additional year. Except as specifically amended hereby, all remaining terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. There is no cost to the County for the services provided under the Agreement, as license applicants are required to submit to background checks at their sole cost and expense pursuant to section 826-a.302(b) of the Laws of Westchester County.

The agreement will serve a public purpose by supporting the enforcement of Chapter 826-a, which protects the public by ensuring the good character, honesty and integrity of companies and individuals operating in the solid waste and recyclables hauling industries in Westchester County.

The goals and objectives of the agreement are to secure the services of a contractor to conduct background investigations and verify application and application renewal materials submitted pursuant to Chapter 826-a of the Laws of Westchester County.

The goals and objectives of the agreement are in the best interests of the County in terms of public health and safety, as it ensures that, by conducting thorough background investigations, only individuals and companies of demonstrated good character, honesty and integrity receive licenses to operate in the solid waste and recyclables hauling industries in Westchester County.

The goals and objectives of the agreement will be tracked and monitored by the Commission's staff, which will ensure that Doyle provides complete, accurate and timely investigative reports concerning the backgrounds of applicants for Commission licenses. These reports will assist the Commission as it determines whether applicant companies demonstrate the requisite good character, honesty and integrity to be issued Commission licenses.

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

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APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION
2/29/2011
JIMMIE WEAVER, SECRETARY

