

**OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
FINAL AUDIT REPORT ON
Miami-Dade County Water and Sewer Department
*Contract for Plug Valves and Operators Contract No. 5057-2/02-OTR-SW***

OIG Appendix B

**Response to the draft report from the
Miami-Dade Department of Procurement Management**

Report Date October 14, 2005



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Dear Mr. Mazzella:

Thank you for the opportunity to review and respond to the Draft Audit Report of the Water and Sewer Department's (WASD) contract for Plug Valves and Operators, Contract No. 5057-2/02-OTR-SW. Please consider our comments in regard to the section of the Draft Audit Report referenced below.

Background Section, page 3, 4th paragraph:

Please note that the Department of Procurement Management (DPM) awards contracts for goods and services on behalf of WASD. DPM staff has consolidated two major valve contracts into one solicitation. It is anticipated that the consolidated contract will be presented to the Board for award in December 2005. Staff will carefully consider whether exercising the option to renew for Contract No. 5057-4/09-OTR is necessary for continuity of operations. The option to renew for Contract No. 7269-2/06-OTR-SW will not be exercised as this contract was affected by the federal court decision in the Herschel Gill case.

Should you have any questions regarding our response, please do not hesitate to contact me at 305-375-5502.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Miriam Singer'.

Miriam Singer
Director

c: George M. Burgess, County Manager
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