JOHN CHIANG

California State Controller

April 25, 2011

To: ALL PUBLIC AGENCIES SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE UNIFORM PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION COST ACCOUNTING ACT

Re: Increase In The Informal Bid Limit Pursuant To Public Contract Code Section 22032

This letter is to inform you that the informal bid limit prescribed by section 22032 of the Public Contract Code will be increased to $175,000 effective for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011. This increase is pursuant to the terms of the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act (Act) and is at the recommendation of the California Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Commission (CUCCAC).

The Act provides public agencies economic benefits and greater freedom in expediting public works projects. Agencies electing to follow the cost accounting procedures set forth in the *Cost Accounting Policies and Procedures Manual,* prescribed by the CUCCAC, will have the advantages of an increased force account limit, an increased bid limit, and an alternative informal bidding procedure.

Any city, county, redevelopment agency, special district, school district, and community college district can voluntarily elect to become a participant of the Act. After opting into the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act, by resolution of its governing board, participants enjoy the advantage of the streamlined awards process, as well as reductions in paperwork related to advertising and report filing. In return, the signatory agency agrees to provide cost accounting information in the format prescribed in the Cost Accounting Policies and Procedure Manual and to adhere to the terms of the Act until the agency formally opts out. For more details or contact information, please visit our website at http://www.sco.ca.gov/ard/local/cuccac.

Sincerely,
Original signed by:

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