

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF RICHLAND)
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IN THE MATTER OF: BID PROTEST)
THURMOND/GAZES BIOMEDICAL)
RESEARCH BUILDING CHILLER)
REPLACEMENT)
STATE PROJECT H51-9694-PG)
STATE PROJECT H51-9747-PG)
YORK INTERNATIONAL)
vs.)
MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF)
SOUTH CAROLINA)
_____)

**BEFORE THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT
OFFICER FOR CONSTRUCTION**

DECISION

POSTING DATE: May 6, 2004

IT NOW APPEARING that the protestant, York International, has withdrawn its protest of April 12, 2004, this matter is hereby dismissed. The Medical University of South Carolina may proceed with the award of the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, consistent with its programmatic needs.

IT IS SO ORDERED



Michael M. Thomas
Chief Procurement Officer
for Construction

MAY 6, 2004
Date

STATEMENT OF THE RIGHT TO APPEAL

The South Carolina Procurement Code, under Section 11-35-4210, subsection 6, states:

A decision under subsection (4) of this section shall be final and conclusive, unless fraudulent, or unless any person adversely affected by the decision requests a further administrative review by the Procurement Review Panel under Section 11-35-4410(1) within ten calendar days of posting of the decision in accordance with Section 11-35-4210(5). The request for review shall be directed to the appropriate chief procurement officer, who shall forward the request to the Panel, or to the Procurement Review Panel and shall be in writing, setting forth the reasons why the person disagrees with the decision of the appropriate chief procurement officer. The person may also request a hearing before the Procurement Review Panel.

Additional information regarding the protest process is available on the internet at the following web site: <http://www.state.sc.us/mmo/legal/lawmenu.htm>

NOTE: Pursuant to Proviso 66.1 of the 2002 General Appropriations Act, "[r]equests for administrative review before the South Carolina Procurement Review Panel [filed after June 30, 2002] shall be accompanied by a filing fee of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00), payable to the SC Procurement Review Panel. The panel is authorized to charge the party requesting an administrative review under the South Carolina Code Sections 11-35-4210(6), 11-35-4220(5), 11-35-4230(6) and/or 11-35-4410(4). . . . Withdrawal of an appeal will result in the filing fee being forfeited to the panel. If a party desiring to file an appeal is unable to pay the filing fee because of hardship, the party shall submit a notarized affidavit to such effect. If after reviewing the affidavit the panel determines that such hardship exists, the filing fee shall be waived." 2002 S.C. Act No. 289, Part IB, § 66.1 (emphasis added). PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO THE "SC PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL."