

March 13, 2025

TO: THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF VALENCIA COLLEGE

FROM: DR. KATHLEEN PLINSKE

President

RE: AWARD OF CA 2025-15, CHILLER REFURBISHMENT, OSCEOLA CAMPUS

Chiller #2 at Valencia College's Osceola Campus is currently out of service and requires extensive repairs to restore proper cooling capacity for campus operations. Given the critical role of this equipment in maintaining a comfortable and controlled environment for students, faculty, and staff, the College engaged Daikin Applied Americas, Inc., the original equipment manufacturer, to conduct a comprehensive assessment. As the manufacturer, Daikin possesses the specialized expertise, proprietary components, and technical capabilities necessary to evaluate the existing system and provide a refurbishment proposal that aligns with the College's operational and performance standards.

To facilitate this procurement, Valencia utilized the Cooperative Agreement process, which allows the College to leverage existing public entity contracts with pre-negotiated pricing, in accordance with Florida law. Valencia staff conducted a thorough review of refurbishment options to ensure compliance with College standards, verify parts availability, and maximize warranty coverage. In alignment with applicable law and College policy, the College leveraged Omnia Partners Contract, #R200401 with Daikin Applied Americas, Inc., to refurbish the chiller at a total cost of \$346,825. This turnkey project includes new chiller controls technology, as well as an extended warranty.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

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The President recommends that the District Board of Trustees of Valencia College authorize the College to enter into an agreement with Daikin Applied Americas Inc. for the refurbishment of Chiller #2 at the Osceola Campus at a total cost of \$346,825, as presented.