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TO: Mike Ball
SUBJECT: Smartboard and Sympodium Classrooms
DATE: August 3, 2006

Request for Quote (RFQ) #7-001, Smartboard and Sympodium Classrooms was posted on the CSISD website and mailed July 26, 2006 to five bidders. Five State of Texas approved Catalog Information Services (CISV) Vendors responded to the RFQ which opened August 2, 2006. The Office of the Attorney General registered an opinion that states "A local government that participates in the cooperative purchasing program established under 271.082 and 271.083 of the Local Government Code satisfies otherwise applicable competitive bidding requirements when it makes a purchase through the catalog purchasing procedure established by article 601 b, 3.081, V.T.C.S." This opinion permits school districts to participate in the CISV program.

The responsive bidders were:

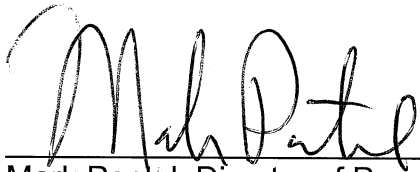
<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Base Quote</u>
CCS Presentation Systems	\$179,849.00
Data Projections, Inc.	\$218,687.04
MicroAge College Station	\$194,344.66

CCS Presentation Systems quoted an NEC VT-580 projector as part of the Smartboard and Sympodium Classrooms. The NEC projector has a 600:1 contrast ratio compared to the specified Sharp MB50x projector which has a contrast ratio of 2000:1. The NEC projector utilizes a filter system that has to be

cleaned as opposed to the specified projector which uses sealed optic technology. CCS Presentation Systems did not submit product literature on the complete Smartboard or Sympodium Classroom or a signed addendum to the RFQ which was issued on July 26, 2006.

It is the recommendation of Mark Pantel, Director of Purchasing and Chris Speier, Coordinator of Technology that the Smartboard and Sympodium Classrooms, Media Controller and Projector Bulbs be purchased from MicroAge who provided the most complete and best value quote for \$194,344.66.

This purchase will be made after September 1, 2006 from 06-07 capital improvement funds and from money received from the sale of the math software at A&M Consolidated High School.



Mark Pantel, Director of Purchasing



Chris Speier, Coordinator of Technology