

# Memorandum



**Date:** April 8, 2008

**To:** Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** George M. Burgess  
County Manager

**Subject:** Resolution Authorizing issuance of Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds,  
Series 2008

Agenda Item No. 8(E)(1)(D)

**The item was amended at the March 11, 2008 Budget and Finance Committee meeting to clarify on the attached exhibit to this cover memorandum that Metrorail cars will be replaced, and not rehabilitated.**

## **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board adopt the accompanying Resolution (Series 2008 Resolution) authorizing the issuance and public sale of Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds, Series 2008 (Series 2008 Bonds) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$300 million pursuant to Ordinance No. 05-48, enacted by the Board on March 1, 2005. The proceeds from the Series 2008 Bonds will be used to: (i) pay all or a portion of the cost of certain projects (Series 2008 Projects) of the People's Transportation Plan Program; (ii) refund, if deemed advisable, a Sunshine Loan (described below); (iii) fund the Reserve Account; and (iv) pay the cost of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds. In addition to authorizing the issuance and public sale of the Series 2008 Bonds, the Series 2008 Resolution provides for other related authorizations and approvals required to complete a competitive bond transaction, which include authorizing certain matters in connection with the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds to the Finance Director, as the Mayor's designee.

## **Scope**

The proceeds from the Series 2008 Bonds will be used to pay all or a portion of the Series 2008 projects attached, which have a countywide impact.

## **Fiscal Impact/Funding Source**

The debt service (principal and interest) on the \$190 million worth of bond proceeds for the various capital projects is anticipated to be \$12.7 million annually. These capital projects are included in the multi-year capital program. The debt service on the Series 2008 Bonds shall be payable from the Transit System Sales Tax revenues after deducting State administrative expenses and distribution to the cities.

It is anticipated that \$25 million will be allocated to fund a cash Reserve Account, if deemed to be advisable, and to pay the costs of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds which are estimated to be approximately two percent of the par amount of the Bonds. The Reserve Account, which may be cash funded or funded by a surety policy, is a bond requirement to protect the bond holder if the County were not to make its annual debt service payment. Should the County opt to purchase a reserve surety policy, the principal amount of the Bonds will be reduced.

With respect to the \$85 million to refund the existing Board approved Sunshine State Loan, this will not be used to fund additional projects but to reduce the risk of the County paying higher interest rates due to the continued volatility in the variable rate market.

**Background**

On July 9, 2002, the Board enacted Ordinance No. 02-116 (Transit System Sales Surtax Ordinance) authorizing, pursuant to Sections 212.054 and 212.055(1), Florida Statutes, as amended, the levy and the imposition of a one-half of one percent discretionary sales surtax on all transactions occurring in the County that are subject to the State of Florida tax imposed on sales, use, services, rentals, admissions and other transactions under Chapter 212, Florida Statutes (Transit Sales Surtax). The authorization to levy and collect the Transit Sales Surtax pursuant to the new Code provisions was subject to voter approval. On November 5, 2002, a majority of the County's electorate voted to approve the Transit Sales Surtax for certain transportation and transit projects within the County (People's Transportation Plan).

On March 1, 2005, the Board enacted Ordinance No. 05-48 (Master Ordinance) authorizing the issuance of Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds (Bonds) payable from the Transit System Sales Tax revenues after deducting State administrative expenses and distribution to the cities. The Master Ordinance established provisions for the issuance of the Bonds including the first authorization in an amount not to exceed \$500 million and provided for terms, interest rates and other details of each series of Bonds to be presented to the Board for authorization and approval by subsequent series resolutions.

On April 27, 2006, the County issued the initial series of bonds under the Master Ordinance in an aggregate original amount of \$186,435,000, of which \$183,600,000 is presently outstanding.

The Series 2008 Bonds, which the Board will authorize with the approval of this Resolution, will provide funding for projects identified in the People's Transportation Plan in an amount not to exceed \$190 million, of which \$140 million shall be allocated for Miami-Dade Transit (MDT) projects and \$50 million is allocated for Public Works Department (PWD) transportation related projects. In addition, approximately \$25 million will be allocated to fund a cash Reserve Account, if deemed to be advisable, and to pay the costs of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds. The balance of \$85 million will be used to refund the Sunshine Loan as detailed further.

In September 2004, the County entered into a Loan Agreement with the Sunshine State Governmental Financing Commission (Commission) under which the County borrowed \$100,000,000 for the purpose of financing certain Transit Sales Surtax Projects (Sunshine Loan). Currently, the amount outstanding is \$82,915,000. This Sunshine Loan is part of the Commission's commercial paper program which is presently experiencing unprecedented disruptions on account of escalating rates of default on subprime mortgage obligations and a resulting general contraction of available liquidity. As a result of the liquidity crises and the many monoline bond insurance company downgrades, these disruptions in the market have caused the County to experience significant escalations in the interest rates of variable rate securities resulting in failed resets. Public Resources Advisory Group, Inc., financial advisors to the Transit Department (Financial Advisor) have recommended the refunding of the Sunshine Loan to mitigate the impact of rising interest rates in the variable rate market.

A summary of the Series 2008 Projects are attached to the Series 2008 Resolution as Exhibit "A".

The Series 2008 Resolution approves, authorizes and provides for:

The Series 2008 Projects summarized on Exhibit "A" to the Series 2008 Resolution;

- A competitive sale to be conducted by an internet bidding process;
- The form of the Series 2008 Bonds attached as Exhibit "B";
- The form and distribution of an Official Notice of Sale and Preliminary Official Statement in the form attached as Exhibit "C" and "E", respectively;

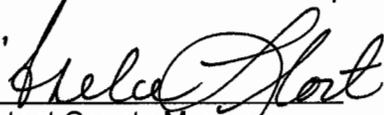
- The delivery of the final Official Statement;
- Continuing Disclosure Commitment, as required under the provisions of Rule 15c-2-12, as amended, of the Securities and Exchange Commission;
- The establishment of a book-only system of registration for the Series 2008 Bonds;
- The execution and delivery of the Series 2008 Bonds;
- The appropriate officials of the County to take all actions necessary in connection with the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds and the closing of this transaction; and
- A waiver of Resolution No. R-130-06.

Resolution R-130-06 provides that any County contract with a third party be finalized and executed prior to its placement on the committee agenda. The sale of the Series 2008 Bonds, which will set their final terms, will not occur until after the effective date of this Series 2008 Resolution in order to provide the County the maximum flexibility in the market place as described above. Therefore, a waiver of Resolution R-130-06 is necessary.

The Series 2006 Resolution authorizes the Finance Director, as the Mayor's designee, within limitations, to:

- Accept the bid or bids providing the lowest true interest cost to the County, which bid or bids shall not exceed a 5.75 percent true interest cost (TIC) for the Series 2008 Bonds, in accordance with the Official Notice of Sale, and final maturity not to exceed 40 years;
- Enter into any negotiations for bond insurance, if deemed necessary and in the best interest of the County, after consultation with the Financial Advisors, the County Attorney and Bond Counsel, and to execute and deliver any agreements that may be required by the bond insurer providing such bond insurance;
- Determine the use of a Reserve Account Credit Facility for funding the Reserve Account Requirement, if deemed advisable and in the best interest of the County, after consultation with the Financial Advisors, the County Attorney and Bond Counsel (if not, the Reserve Account Requirement will be funded with proceeds from the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds);
- Enter into any negotiations for a reserve account credit facility, if deemed advisable and in the best interest of the County, after consultation with the Financial Advisors, the County Attorney and Bond Counsel and to execute and deliver any agreements that may be required by such credit facility provider;
- Award the Series 2008 Bonds to the lowest responsive bidder or bidders;
- Select and appoint a Paying Agent and Bond Registrar for the Series 2008 Bonds; and
- Cause publication, once in The Miami Herald and once in The Bond Buyer, of the Summary Notice of Sale, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit "D" to the Series 2008 Resolution.

The Series 2008 Bonds are expected to be issued in April-May 2008.

  
Assistant County Manager

## Projects to be Funded by PTP Revenue Bonds, Series 2008

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| <b>Bus and Rail Facility Improvements</b>  | <b>\$27,678,000</b>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Includes improvements to bus facilities such as the upgrade of illumination, construction of bus pull-out bays, replacement of hydraulics and pistons, and purchase of bus washer and vacuums.</li><li>- Includes improvements to mover and rail facilities such as escalators and canopies replacements, mover oil and water separators, replacement of elevators, rail vehicle washer, station roof refurbishments, and pedestrian overpasses.</li></ul>   |                      |
| <b>Fare Collecton System Replacement</b>   | <b>\$33,818,000</b>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Includes the cost to replace the Fare Collection system for the entire MDT system</li></ul>  |                      |
| <b>Mover Vehicle and Rail Rehabilitaiton and Replacement</b>   | <b>\$36,612,000</b>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Includes the replacement of Mover vehicles and the replacement of Rail vehicles</li></ul>  |                      |
| <b>Rapid Transit Corridor Improvements</b>   | <b>\$41,892,000</b>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Includes the rehabilitation of the Track and Guideway Subset, enhancements and modernization of Central Control, and testing of the Metrorail track.</li><li>- Includes funding for the North Corridor, East West Corridor, and the Earlington Heights/Miami Intermodal Center</li></ul>   |                      |
| <b>Major Highway and Road Improvements</b>   | <b>\$36,699,000</b>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Includes the widening of several arterial and secondary roads in Miami-Dade County</li><li>- Includes street and traffic Operational improvements</li><li>- Includes the construction of new four lane roads</li><li>- Includes funding for the Automated Traffic Management System (ATMS)</li><li>- Includes funding for the construction of reversible flow Lanes</li><li>- Includes funding for grade seperations</li><li>- Includes funding for the New Access to Country Walk Land Acquisition and Extension of Railroad Tracks project</li><li>- Includes the construction of the bridge on NW 138 Street over the Miami River Canal</li></ul> |                      |
| <b>Neighborhood Improvements</b>   | <b>\$13,301,000</b>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Includes funding for the resurfacing and remarking of roads</li><li>- Includes the resurfacing and street and traffic operational improvements on several roads</li><li>- Includes traffic calming measures, curbs, gutters, and sidewalks on several roads</li><li>- Includes traffic signals and signs needs (illuminated signs)</li><li>- Includes ADA sidewalk and other neighborhood improvements</li><li>- Includes the retrofit of street lights</li><li>- Includes school flashing signals</li></ul>   |                      |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>\$190,000,000</b> |



# MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

**TO:** Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** April 8, 2008

**FROM:**   
R. A. Cuevas, Jr.  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No. 8(E)(1)(D)

Please note any items checked.

- "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- Budget required
- Statement of fiscal impact required
- Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- No committee review

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Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda Item No. 8(E)(1)(D)  
4-8-08

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$300,000,000 MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2008, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 201 AND 208 OF ORDINANCE NO. 05-48, FOR PAYING COSTS OF CERTAIN TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSIT PROJECTS AND, TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY, REFUNDING OUTSTANDING LOAN; AUTHORIZING PUBLIC SALE OF BONDS BY COMPETITIVE BID; PROVIDING CERTAIN DETAILS OF BONDS; AUTHORIZING MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE, WITHIN CERTAIN LIMITATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS, TO FINALIZE TERMS AND OTHER PROVISIONS OF BONDS, INCLUDING ACCEPTANCE OF BID WITH LOWEST TRUE INTEREST COST, AND REFUNDING OF LOAN; APPROVING FORMS OF AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS; PROVIDING CERTAIN COVENANTS; AUTHORIZING COUNTY OFFICIALS TO DO ALL THINGS DEEMED NECESSARY IN CONNECTION WITH ISSUANCE, SALE, EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF BONDS; AND PROVIDING SEVERABILITY

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County, Florida (the “County”), pursuant to Ordinance No. 05-48 enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, Florida (the “Board”) on March 1, 2005 (the “Master Ordinance”) is authorized to issue Bonds, from time to time, to finance or refinance Transit System Sales Surtax Projects (as such terms are defined in the Master Ordinance); and

**WHEREAS**, capitalized terms used in this resolution (the “Series 2008 Resolution” and together with the Master Ordinance, the “Bond Ordinance”) which are not defined shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Master Ordinance unless otherwise expressly provided or the context otherwise clearly requires; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 201 of the Master Ordinance initially authorizes the County to issue, from time to time, Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$500,000,000 for the purpose of paying all or any part of the Costs of Projects, all as may be specified or provided for in the Series Resolution relating to the issuance of each such Series of Bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 27, 2006, the County issued the first Series of Bonds under the authorization of Section 201 of the Master Ordinance and a Series Resolution in the aggregate principal amount of \$186,435,000, of which \$183,600,000 is currently Outstanding; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to a Loan Agreement dated as of September 1, 2004, by and between the Sunshine State Governmental Financing Commission and the County (the “Loan Agreement”), the County has previously borrowed \$100,000,000 for the purpose of financing certain Transit System Sales Surtax Projects, of which \$82,915,000 is currently outstanding (the “Loan”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Loan constitutes Subordinate Obligations under the Master Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has determined at this time that it is in the best interests of the County and its citizens to provide for the issuance of not to exceed \$300,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Miami-Dade County, Florida Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds, Series 2008 (the “Series 2008 Bonds”), as the second Series of Bonds under the provisions of the Master Ordinance, for the purpose of paying all or a part of the Cost of a Project more particularly described in Exhibit A to this Series 2008 Resolution (the “Series 2008 Project”) and, to the extent necessary as provided below, refunding the Loan; and

**WHEREAS**, under the provisions of the Master Resolution, the Series 2008 Bonds are to be issued as Additional Bonds subject to the terms and provisions of Section 208 of the Master Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, this Series 2008 Resolution constitutes a Series Resolution for all purposes of the Master Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board deems it advantageous for the County to offer the Series 2008 Bonds for public sale by competitive bid upon certain terms and conditions which it wishes to establish pursuant to this Series 2008 Resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board deems it appropriate, subject to the limitations contained in this Series 2008 Resolution, to authorize the Finance Director, as the designee of the Mayor, to (i) refund the Loan if necessary and determine the details of such refunding; (ii) finalize the terms of the Series 2008 Bonds not provided in the Bond Ordinance; (iii) finalize the dates, terms and other provisions for the competitive sale of the Series 2008 Bonds; (iv) secure, or permit the bidders to secure, one or more Credit Facilities and secure one or more Reserve Account Credit Facilities; and (v) select and appoint a Paying Agent (the "Paying Agent") and Registrar (the "Registrar") for the Series 2008 Bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to provide for a Book Entry Only System with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds, and to approve, ratify and confirm the Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations previously executed and delivered by the County to The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC") relating to such Book Entry Only System; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to authorize the distribution, use and delivery of a Preliminary Official Statement and a final Official Statement relating to the Series 2008 Bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the provisions of the Loan Agreement, the Series 2008 Bonds are designated and constitute “Senior Lien Debt” (as such term is defined in the Loan Agreement); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum (the “County Manager’s Memorandum”), a copy of which is incorporated in this Series 2008 Resolution by reference,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA** that:

SECTION 1. Recitals, Definitions, Authority and Construction.

(a) Recitals. The recitals contained in the foregoing “WHEREAS” clauses are incorporated as part of this Series 2008 Resolution.

(b) Definitions. Capitalized terms used in this Series 2008 Resolution which are not defined shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Master Ordinance unless otherwise expressly provided or the context otherwise clearly requires. In addition, unless the context otherwise clearly requires, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

“Omnibus Certificate” means a certificate of the Finance Director identifying the successful bid for, and confirming the terms of, the Series 2008 Bonds and addressing all other matters authorized to be determined by the Finance Director under the terms of this Series 2008 Resolution and acknowledged by the Public Works Director and the Transit Director.

“Public Works Director” means the Director of Miami-Dade Public Works Department.

“Registered Owners” means the registered owners of the Series 2008 Bonds.

“Regular Record Date” means the fifteenth (15th) day (whether or not a business day) of the calendar month next preceding each Interest Payment Date.

“Transit Director” means the Director of Miami-Dade Transit.

“Underwriter(s)” mean the successful bidder or bidders and members of the syndicate with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds.

(c) Authority. This Series 2008 Resolution is adopted pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State, including, but not limited to, the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Amendment and Charter, as amended, Chapters 125 and 166, Florida Statutes, as amended, the Transit System Sales Surtax Act, the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, as amended, including the Transit System Sales Surtax Ordinance, the Master Ordinance and all other applicable laws.

(d) Rules of Construction. Any reference to any Article, Section or provision of the Constitution or laws of the State, or of federal laws, or rules or regulations, shall include such provisions as amended, modified, revised, supplemented or superseded from time to time; provided that no such change shall be deemed applicable to any particular Series 2008 Bonds in any way that would constitute an unlawful impairment of the rights of the County or any Bondholder.

SECTION 2. FINDINGS. The Board finds, determines and declares that the sale and issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds and the use of their proceeds, as provided in this Series 2008 Resolution, serve a proper public purpose.

SECTION 3. Authorization and Form of Series 2008 Bonds; Approval of Series 2008 Project; Competitive Sale; Terms and Provisions of Series 2008 Bonds; Refunding of Loan.

(a) Authorization and Form. The Series 2008 Bonds, to be designated as “Miami-Dade County, Florida Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds, Series 2008,” are authorized to be issued pursuant to, and subject to the conditions of, Sections 201 and 208 of the Master Ordinance and this Series 2008 Resolution. The aggregate principal amount of the Series

2008 Bonds shall not exceed \$300,000,000. The Series 2008 Bonds shall be issued for the purpose of paying all or a part of the Cost of the Series 2008 Project and, to the extent necessary as determined by the Finance Director, after consultation with the Transit Director and Public Resources Advisory Group, Inc. (the “Financial Advisor”), refunding the Loan, including funding the Reserve Account (whether with proceeds of the Series 2008 Bonds or by the deposit of one or more Reserve Account Credit Facilities), funding capitalized interest, if necessary, and paying the costs of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds, including the costs of any Credit Facilities and Reserve Account Credit Facilities, if secured in accordance with the provisions of this Series 2008 Resolution.

Each of the Series 2008 Bonds shall be in substantially the form attached as Exhibit B to this Series 2008 Resolution, which form of Series 2008 Bond is approved, with such variations, omissions and insertions and such filling in of blanks as may be necessary and approved by the Finance Director, after consultation with the County Attorney and Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. and KnoxSeaton (collectively, “Bond Counsel”), and which are not inconsistent with the provisions of the Bond Ordinance.

(b) Series 2008 Project. The Series 2008 Project is approved by the Board and constitutes a Project under the Master Ordinance.

(c) Competitive Sale.

(1) The Series 2008 Bonds shall be publicly sold by competitive bids in the manner provided in, and in accordance with the requirements of Section 218.385, Florida Statutes. The Finance Director is authorized and directed to provide for such public sale of the Series 2008 Bonds at the time deemed most advantageous at an aggregate purchase price of not less than 98% of the aggregate principal amount of the Series 2008 Bonds to be

issued and to award the Series 2008 Bonds to the responsive bidder or bidders offering to purchase the Series 2008 Bonds at the lowest annual interest cost computed on a true interest cost basis (“TIC”), all as provided in the Official Notice of Sale (the “Official Notice of Sale”) with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds; provided, however, that in the event that all bids received result in a TIC in excess of 5.50% (the “Maximum TIC”), the Finance Director shall reject all bids. If all bids are rejected, the Series 2008 Bonds may subsequently again be offered for public sale by competitive bids in accordance with the provisions of this Series 2008 Resolution.

(2) The public sale by competitive bids of the Series 2008 Bonds shall be conducted through an internet bidding process (the “Internet Bidding Process”) and the Finance Director is authorized to arrange for the Internet Bidding Process; provided, however, that the Finance Director may determine, after consultation with the Financial Advisor, the County Attorney and Bond Counsel, not to utilize the Internet Bidding Process, in which case such public sale of the Series 2008 Bonds shall be conducted through the physical delivery (which may be by facsimile) of bids utilizing an official bid form customarily used by the County, as shall be approved by the County Attorney and Bond Counsel.

(3) The Official Notice of Sale is approved in substantially the form attached as Exhibit C to this Series 2008 Resolution, with such variations, omissions and insertions and such filling in of blanks as may be necessary and approved by the Finance Director, after consultation with the Financial Advisor, the County Attorney and Bond Counsel, and which are not inconsistent with the provisions of the Bond Ordinance.

(4) The Finance Director is further authorized to cause publication, in The Miami Herald and The Bond Buyer, not less than ten (10) days prior to the date of sale, of the Summary Notice of Sale with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds in substantially the form attached as Exhibit D to this Series 2008 Resolution, with such variations, omissions and insertions and such filling in of blanks as may be necessary and approved by the Finance Director, after consultation with the Financial Advisor, the County Attorney and Bond Counsel, and which are not inconsistent with the provisions of the Bond Ordinance.

(5) Concurrently with their submission of bids, each bidder shall be required to provide to the County a “truth-in-bonding” statement in accordance with Section 218.385, Florida Statutes, as set forth in the Official Notice of Sale. Prior to the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds, the Underwriter(s) shall be required to provide to the County a disclosure statement containing the information required by Section 218.38(1)(b)2, Florida Statutes. The execution and delivery of the Omnibus Certificate shall be conclusive evidence of the award of the Series 2008 Bonds to the Underwriter(s).

(d) Terms and Provisions. The Series 2008 Bonds shall be issued in fully registered form in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple of \$5,000 and shall be numbered consecutively from R-1 upwards. Interest on the Series 2008 Bonds shall be payable semiannually on January 1 and July 1 of each year (each an “Interest Payment Date”), commencing on January 1, 2009 (or such later date as shall be determined by the Finance Director, after consultation with the Transit Director and the Financial Advisor), as more particularly described in the form of Series 2008 Bond attached as Exhibit B. The Series 2008 Bonds shall be issued in such aggregate principal amount, not to exceed \$300,000,000, shall be dated as of such date and issued at such time, shall be issued as Fixed Rate Bonds, shall consist of Serial Bonds and/or Term Bonds, shall

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mature on such date, in such year or years, but not later than forty (40) years from their dated date, shall bear interest at such fixed rates, provided that the TIC shall not exceed the Maximum TIC, as to any Term Bonds, shall have such Amortization Requirements, and shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity, all as shall be determined by the Finance Director, after consultation with the Transit Director and the Financial Advisor, and set forth in the Omnibus Certificate. The execution and delivery of the Omnibus Certificate shall be conclusive evidence of the Board's approval of the final terms and provisions of the Series 2008 Bonds.

(e) Refunding of Loan. Pursuant to the conditions set forth in the County Manager's Memorandum, the Finance Director is authorized to provide for the prepayment of the Loan in accordance with the provisions of the Loan Agreement and this Series 2008 Resolution, including determining the date of such prepayment which shall be no later than ninety (90) days from the date of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds.

SECTION 4. Senior Lien Debt. In accordance with the provisions of the Loan Agreement, the Series 2008 Bonds are designated and constitute Senior Lien Debt. Simultaneously with the delivery of the Series 2008 Bonds, there shall be filed with the Finance Director evidence of compliance with the requirements of Exhibit E to the Loan Agreement for the incurrence of Senior Lien Debt.

SECTION 5. Execution and Authentication of Series 2008 Bonds. The Series 2008 Bonds shall be executed as provided in the Master Ordinance. A Certificate of Authentication of the Registrar shall appear on the Series 2008 Bonds, and no Series 2008 Bonds shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security or benefit under the Bond Ordinance, unless such certificate shall have been duly manually executed by the Registrar on such Series 2008 Bonds.

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In case any one or more of the officers who shall have signed any of the Series 2008 Bonds shall cease to be such officer of the County before the Series 2008 Bonds so signed shall have been actually delivered, such Series 2008 Bonds may nevertheless be delivered as provided in this Series 2008 Resolution and may be issued as if the person who signed such Series 2008 Bonds had not ceased to hold such offices. Any Series 2008 Bonds may be signed on behalf of the County by such person as at the actual time of the execution of such Series 2008 Bonds shall hold the proper office, although at the date of such Series 2008 Bonds such person may not have held such office or may not have been so authorized.

SECTION 6. Special Obligations of County. The Series 2008 Bonds shall be special and limited obligations of the County, payable solely from and secured by a prior lien upon and a pledge of the Pledged Revenues as more specifically provided in the Master Ordinance. The Series 2008 Bonds shall not be deemed to constitute a debt of the County, the State or any other political subdivision of the State or a pledge of the faith and credit of the County, the State or any other political subdivision of the State but the Series 2008 Bonds shall be payable solely from the Pledged Revenues. The enactment of the Master Ordinance, the adoption of this Series 2008 Resolution and the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds shall not directly or indirectly or contingently obligate the County, the State or any other political subdivision of the State to levy or to pledge any form of ad valorem taxation whatsoever, nor shall the Series 2008 Bonds constitute a charge, lien or encumbrance, legal or equitable, upon any property of the County, the State or any other political subdivision of the State. No Holder shall have the right to require or compel the exercise of the ad valorem taxing power of the County, the State or any other political subdivision of the State for payment of the Series 2008 Bonds or be entitled to payment of such amount from

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any other funds of the County, except from the Pledged Revenues in the manner provided in the Master Ordinance.

SECTION 7. Payment and Ownership of Series 2008 Bonds. The principal of and any premium on any Series 2008 Bonds shall be payable when due to a Bondholder upon presentation and surrender of such Series 2008 Bond at the designated corporate trust office of the Paying Agent and interest on each Series 2008 Bond shall be paid on each Interest Payment Date by check or draft, mailed by the Paying Agent on that Interest Payment Date to the Holder of the Series 2008 Bond as of the close of business on the Regular Record Date applicable to that Interest Payment Date and at the Bondholder's address as it appears on the registration books kept by the Registrar (the "Register") on that Regular Record Date, provided, however, that (i) so long as the ownership of such Series 2008 Bonds are maintained in a Book Entry Only System by a securities depository, such payment shall be made by automatic funds transfer ("wire") to such securities depository or its nominee and (ii) if such Series 2008 Bonds are not maintained in a Book Entry Only System by a securities depository, upon written request of the Holder of \$1,000,000 or more in principal amount of Series 2008 Bonds delivered to the Paying Agent at least 15 days prior to an Interest Payment Date, interest may be paid when due by wire if such Bondholder advances to the Paying Agent the amount necessary to pay the wire charges or authorizes the Paying Agent to deduct the amount of such payment. If and to the extent, however, that the County fails to make payment or provision for payment on any Interest Payment Date of interest on any Series 2008 Bond, that interest shall cease to be payable to the person who was the Holder of that Series 2008 Bond as of the applicable Regular Record Date. In that event, when moneys become available for payment of the delinquent interest, the Paying Agent shall establish a special interest payment date (the "Special Interest Payment Date") for the payment of that interest, and a special record date (the

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“Special Record Date”), which Special Record Date shall be not more than 15 nor fewer than 10 days prior to the Special Interest Payment Date; and the Paying Agent shall cause notice of the Special Interest Payment Date and of the Special Record Date to be mailed not fewer than 10 days preceding the Special Record Date to each person who was a Holder of such Series 2008 Bond at the close of business on the 15th day preceding said mailing to such person’s address as it appears on the Register on that 15th day preceding the mailing of such notice and, thereafter, the interest shall be payable to the person who was the Holder of such Series 2008 Bond as of the close of business on the Special Record Date.

The Holder of any Series 2008 Bond shall be deemed and regarded as the absolute owner for all purposes of this Series 2008 Resolution. Payment of or on account of the debt service on any Series 2008 Bond shall be made only to or upon the order of that Holder or such Holder’s attorney-in-fact duly authorized in writing in the manner permitted under this Series 2008 Resolution. Neither the County, the Registrar or the Paying Agent shall be affected by notice to the contrary. All payments made as described in this Series 2008 Resolution shall be valid and effective to satisfy and discharge the liability upon that Series 2008 Bond, including, without limitation, interest, to the extent of the amount or amounts so paid.

SECTION 8. Redemption Provisions.

(a) Partial Redemption. Any Series 2008 Bond which is to be redeemed only in part shall be surrendered at any place of payment specified in the notice of redemption (with due endorsement by, or written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the County, the Registrar and the Paying Agent duly executed by the Holder of such Series 2008 Bond or his attorney-in-fact duly authorized in writing) and the County shall execute and cause to be authenticated and delivered to the Holder of such Series 2008 Bond without charge, a new Series 2008 Bond or

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Series 2008 Bonds, of any authorized denomination as requested by such Holder, in an aggregate principal amount equal to and in exchange for the unredeemed portion of the principal of the Series 2008 Bonds so surrendered.

(b) Effect of Calling for Redemption. On the date designated for redemption of any Series 2008 Bonds, notice having been mailed as provided in the Master Ordinance and moneys for payment of the redemption price being held by the Paying Agent in trust for the Holders of the Series 2008 Bonds to be redeemed, the Series 2008 Bonds so called for redemption shall become and be due and payable at the redemption price provided for redemption of such Series 2008 Bonds on such date, interest on the Series 2008 Bonds so called for redemption shall cease to accrue, such Series 2008 Bonds shall not be deemed to be Outstanding for purposes of this Series 2008 Resolution and the Master Ordinance and shall cease to be entitled to any lien, benefit or security under this Series 2008 Resolution or the Master Ordinance, and the Holders of such Series 2008 Bonds shall have no rights in respect of the Series 2008 Bonds except to receive payment of the redemption price of the Series 2008 Bonds.

(c) Conditional Notice of Redemption. If the Series 2008 Bonds or any portion thereof are to be redeemed pursuant to the terms authorized in this Series 2008 Resolution, the County may provide a conditional notice of redemption of such Series 2008 Bonds in accordance with the terms set forth below, and the Finance Director is authorized, in her discretion, to add to the form of Series 2008 Bonds a provision reflecting this right:

Conditional Notice of Redemption. In the case of an optional redemption, the notice of redemption may state that (1) it is conditioned upon the deposit of moneys with the Paying Agent or with an escrow agent under an escrow deposit agreement, in amounts necessary to effect the redemption, no later than the redemption date or (2) the County

retains the right to rescind such notice on or prior to the scheduled redemption date (in either case, a “Conditional Redemption”), and such notice and optional redemption shall be of no effect if such moneys are not so deposited or if the notice is rescinded as described in this subsection. Any such notice of Conditional Redemption shall be captioned “Conditional Notice of Redemption.” Any Conditional Redemption may be rescinded at any time prior to the redemption date if the County delivers a written direction to the Paying Agent directing the Paying Agent to rescind the redemption notice. The Paying Agent shall give prompt notice of such rescission to the affected Bondholders. Any Series 2008 Bonds subject to Conditional Redemption where redemption has been rescinded shall remain Outstanding, and neither the rescission nor the failure by the County to make such moneys available shall constitute an Event of Default. The County shall give immediate notice to the securities information repositories and the affected Bondholders that the redemption did not occur and that the Series 2008 Bonds called for redemption and not so paid remain Outstanding.

SECTION 9. System of Certificated and Uncertificated Registration. There is established a system of registration with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds as permitted by Chapter 279, Florida Statutes, as amended, pursuant to which both certificated and uncertificated registered Series 2008 Bonds may be issued. The system shall be as described in the Official Statement. The Series 2008 Bonds shall be initially issued as book-entry-only bonds through the Book Entry Only System maintained by DTC which will act as securities depository for the Series 2008 Bonds. The Board reserves the right to amend, discontinue or reinstitute the Book Entry Only System from time to time, subject to the rights of Bondholders contained in the Bond Ordinance.

Neither the County, the Registrar nor the Paying Agent shall be liable for the failure of the securities depository of the Series 2008 Bonds to perform its obligations as described in the Official Statement, nor for the failure of any participant in the Book Entry Only System maintained by the securities depository to perform any obligation such participant may have to a beneficial owner of any Series 2008 Bonds.

The Board approves, ratifies and confirms the Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations previously executed and delivered by the County to DTC. The Finance Director is authorized to execute any additional documentation required by DTC, as securities depository of the Series 2008 Bonds, in connection with the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds through DTC's Book Entry Only System.

SECTION 10. Appointment of Paying Agent and Registrar. The Finance Director is authorized to appoint the Paying Agent and Registrar after a competitive process and, after consultation with the County Attorney and Bond Counsel, to execute any necessary agreements with the Paying Agent and Registrar.

SECTION 11. Approval of the Preliminary Official Statement and Final Official Statement. The use and distribution of the Preliminary Official Statement (the "Preliminary Official Statement") in connection with the offering and sale of the Series 2008 Bonds in substantially the form attached as Exhibit E to this Series 2008 Resolution is approved, with such variations, omissions and insertions and such filling in of blanks as may be necessary and approved by the Finance Director, after consultation with the Transit Director, the Financial Advisor, the County Attorney, Bond Counsel and Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge LLP and Rasco, Reininger, Perez, Esquenazi & Vigil, PL (collectively, "Disclosure Counsel"). The Finance Director is authorized to deem the Preliminary Official Statement "final" for the purposes

of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Rule”). The Finance Director is authorized and directed to deliver to the Underwriter(s) the final Official Statement (the “Official Statement”) for use by the Underwriter(s) in connection with the offering and sale of the Series 2008 Bonds. The Official Statement shall be in substantially the form of the Preliminary Official Statement, with such variations, omissions and insertions and such filling in of blanks as may be necessary and approved by the Finance Director, after consultation with the Transit Director, the Financial Advisor, the County Attorney, Bond Counsel and Disclosure Counsel, with the delivery of the Official Statement by the Finance Director being conclusive evidence of the Board’s approval of any such variations, omissions and insertions and such filling in of blanks.

SECTION 12. Credit Facilities and Reserve Account Credit Facilities. If deemed cost-effective, after consultation with the Financial Advisor, the Finance Director is authorized to secure one or more Credit Facilities and/or Reserve Account Credit Facilities with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds. The Finance Director is authorized to provide for the payment of any premiums on or fees for such Credit Facilities and/or Reserve Account Credit Facilities from the proceeds of the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds and, after consultation with the County Attorney and Bond Counsel, to enter into, execute and deliver such Credit Agreements as may be necessary to secure such Credit Facilities and/or Reserve Account Credit Facilities, with the Finance Director’s execution of any such Credit Agreements to be conclusive evidence of the Board’s approval of such agreements.

Any Credit Agreements with any Providers of Credit Facilities and/or a Reserve Account Credit Facilities shall supplement and be in addition to the provisions of the Bond Ordinance.

In lieu of securing one or more Credit Facilities as described above, the Finance Director may determine, after consultation with the Financial Advisor, to permit the bidders to secure one or more Credit Facilities at their own expense.

SECTION 13. Application of Series 2008 Bond Proceeds. The proceeds received from the sale of the Series 2008 Bonds shall be deposited and applied as follows:

(a) Accrued interest, if any, on the Series 2008 Bonds shall be deposited in the Bond Service Account of the Debt Service Fund.

(b) To the extent not satisfied by the deposit of one or more Reserve Account Credit Facilities, proceeds of the Series 2008 Bonds, in an amount equal to the increase in the Reserve Account Requirement resulting from the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds shall be deposited in the Reserve Account.

(c) Proceeds of the Series 2008 Bonds in an amount necessary to pay the costs of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds shall be deposited in a special account created in the Construction Fund and designated the “Miami-Dade County, Florida Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds, Series 2008 Bonds Cost of Issuance Account” (the “Series 2008 Cost of Issuance Account”) to be held by the County and applied to such costs of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds; provided, however, that any premiums on or fees for Credit Facilities and/or Reserve Account Credit Facilities payable by the County may be paid directly by the Underwriter(s) from the proceeds of the Series 2008 Bonds.

(d) Proceeds of the Series 2008 Bonds, if any, in an amount sufficient to prepay the Loan shall be deposited in a special account hereby created and designated the “Sunshine State Governmental Financing Commission Loan Refunding Account” (the “Loan Refunding Account”) to be held by the County and applied to such prepayment of the Loan in accordance

with the terms of the Loan Agreement and this Series 2008 Resolution. Pending their application to the prepayment of the Loan, the proceeds on deposit in the Loan Refunding Account may be invested by the Finance Director in accordance with the County's investment policy. Any amount remaining in the Loan Refunding Account after the prepayment of the Loan shall be deposited in the Bond Service Account and applied to the payment of interest on the Series 2008 Bonds.

(e) The balance of the proceeds of the Series 2008 Bonds and any amount remaining in the Series 2008 Cost of Issuance Account six (6) months (or such shorter period as the Finance Director shall determine) following the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds shall be deposited in the "Series 2008 Public Works Subaccount" and the "Series 2008 Transit Subaccount," each established under a special account created in the Construction Fund and designated the "Miami-Dade County, Florida Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds, Series 2008 Construction Account" (the "Series 2008 Construction Account") to be held by the County and applied to the payment of Cost of the Series 2008 Project (other than as described under (b) and (c) above).

SECTION 14. Tax Covenants. The County covenants to take the actions required of it for interest on the Series 2008 Bonds to be and to remain excluded from gross income of the Holders for federal income tax purposes, and not to take any actions that would affect that exclusion. In furtherance of the foregoing covenant, the County agrees that it will comply with the provisions of a tax compliance certificate to be prepared by Bond Counsel and executed and delivered on the date of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds. The Finance Director is authorized to execute and deliver, and the Public Works Director and the Transit Director are authorized to acknowledge, such tax compliance certificate.

Notwithstanding anything in this Series 2008 Resolution to the contrary, the requirement of the County to rebate any amounts due to the United States pursuant to Section 148 of the Code shall survive the payment or provision for payment of the principal, interest and redemption premium, if any, with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds or any portion of the Series 2008 Bonds.

SECTION 15. Continuing Disclosure.

(a) The County agrees, in accordance with the provisions of, and to the degree necessary to comply with, the secondary disclosure requirements of the Rule to provide or cause to be provided for the benefit of the beneficial owners of the Series 2008 Bonds (the “Beneficial Owners”) to each nationally recognized municipal securities information repository (“NRMSIR”) and to the appropriate state information depository (“SID”), if any, designated by the State of Florida, the following annual financial information (the “Annual Information”), commencing with the Fiscal Year ended September 30, 2008:

(1) Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues and amount of indebtedness secured by Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues, all of the type and in a form which is generally consistent with the presentation of such information in the Official Statement.

(2) The County’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report utilizing generally accepted accounting principles applicable to local governments.

The information in paragraphs (1) and (2) above will be available on or before June 1 of each Fiscal Year, commencing June 1, 2009, and will be made available, in addition to each NRMSIR and SID, to each Beneficial Owner of the Series 2008 Bonds who requests such information in writing. The County’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report referred to in paragraph (2) above is expected to be available separately from the information in paragraph (1) above and will be provided by the County as soon as practical after acceptance of the County’s

audited financial statements from the auditors by the County. The audited financial statements are generally available within eight (8) months from the end of the Fiscal Year.

(b) The County agrees to provide or cause to be provided, in a timely manner, to (i) each NRMSIR or to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (“MSRB”), and (ii) the SID, notice of occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds, if such event is material:

- (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (2) non-payment related defaults;
- (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- (5) substitution of credit facility providers, or their failure to perform;
- (6) adverse tax opinions or events affecting the tax-exempt status of the Series

2008 Bonds;

- (7) modifications to rights of holders of the Series 2008 Bonds;
- (8) bond calls;
- (9) defeasance;
- (10) release, substitution or sale of any property securing repayment of the Series

2008 Bonds (the Series 2008 Bonds are secured solely by the Pledged Revenues); and

- (11) rating changes.

(c) The County agrees to provide or cause to be provided, in a timely manner, to (i) each NRMSIR or to the MSRB, and (ii) SID, notice of its failure to provide the Annual Information with respect to itself on or prior to June 1 following the end of the preceding Fiscal Year.

(d) The obligations of the County under this Section shall remain in effect only so long as the Series 2008 Bonds are Outstanding. The County reserves the right to terminate its obligations to provide the Annual Information and notices of material events, as set forth above, if and when the County no longer remains an “obligated person” with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds within the meaning of the Rule.

(e) The County agrees that its undertaking pursuant to the Rule set forth in this Section is intended to be for the benefit of the Beneficial Owners of the Series 2008 Bonds and shall be enforceable by such Beneficial Owners if the County fails to cure a breach within a reasonable time after receipt of written notice from a Beneficial Owner that a breach exists; provided that any such Beneficial Owner’s right to enforce the provisions of this undertaking shall be on behalf of all Beneficial Owners and shall be limited to a right to obtain specific performance of the County’s obligations under this Section in a federal or state court located within the County and any failure by the County to comply with the provisions of this undertaking shall not be a default with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds.

(f) Notwithstanding the foregoing, each NRMSIR to which information shall be provided shall include each NRMSIR approved by the Securities and Exchange Commission prior to the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds. In the event that the Securities and Exchange Commission approves any additional NRMSIRs after the date of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds, the County shall, if the County is notified of such additional NRMSIRs, provide such information to the additional NRMSIRs. Failure to provide information to any new NRMSIR whose status as a NRMSIR is unknown to the County shall not constitute breach of this covenant.

(g) The requirements of subsection (a) above do not necessitate the preparation of any separate annual report addressing only the Series 2008 Bonds. The requirements of subsection (a)

may be met by the filing of an annual information statement or the County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, provided such report includes all of the required Annual Information and is available by June 1 of each year for the preceding Fiscal Year. Additionally, the County may incorporate any information in any prior filing with each NRMSIR and the SID or included in any official statement of the County, provided such official statement is filed with the MSRB.

(h) The County reserves the right to modify from time to time the specific types of information provided or the format of the presentation of such information, to the extent necessary or appropriate in the judgment of the County; provided that the County agrees that any such modification will be done in a manner consistent with the Rule.

(i) Except to cure any ambiguity, inconsistency or formal defect or omission in the provisions of this Section, the County covenants as to secondary disclosure (the "Covenants") may only be amended if:

(1) the amendment is made in connection with a change in circumstances that arises from a change in legal requirements, a change in law or a change in the identity, nature or status of the County or type of business conducted; the Covenants, as amended, would have complied with the requirements of the Rule at the time of award of the Series 2008 Bonds, after taking into account any amendments or change in circumstances; and the amendment does not materially impair the interests of the Beneficial Owners, as determined by Disclosure Counsel or other independent counsel knowledgeable in the area of federal securities laws and regulations; or

(2) all or any part of the Rule, as interpreted by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission at the date of the adoption of this Series 2008 Resolution, ceases to be

in effect for any reason, and the County elects that the Covenants shall be deemed amended accordingly.

Any assertion of beneficial ownership must be filed, with full documentary support, as part of the written request described above.

The Board further authorizes and directs the Finance Director to cause all other agreements to be made or action to be taken as required in connection with meeting the County's obligations as to the Covenants. The Finance Director shall further be authorized to make such additions, deletions and modifications to the Covenants as she shall deem necessary or desirable in consultation with the County Attorney, Bond Counsel and Disclosure Counsel. The delivery of the Official Statement containing any such additions, deletions and modifications for and on behalf of the County shall be conclusive evidence of the Board's approval of any such additions, deletions and modifications.

(j) Any filing to be made with each NRMSIR or SID under this Section 15 may be made by transmitting such filing to the Texas Municipal Advisory Council ("MAC") as provided at <http://www.disclosureusa.org>, unless the Securities and Exchange Commission has withdrawn its interpretative advice in its letter to MAC dated September 7, 2004.

SECTION 16. Modification or Amendment. This Series 2008 Resolution shall constitute a contract between the County and the Holders of the Series 2008 Bonds. Except as provided in this Series 2008 Resolution, no material amendment or modification of this Series 2008 Resolution or of any amendatory or supplemental resolution may be made without the consent of the Holders of fifty-one percent (51%) or more in principal amount of the Series 2008 Bonds then outstanding; provided, however, that no amendment or modification shall permit an extension of the maturity of such Series 2008 Bonds, a reduction in the redemption premium or

rate of interest or in the amount of the principal obligation, the creation of a lien upon or pledge of Pledged Revenues other than a lien or pledge created or permitted by the Master Ordinance, a preference or priority of any Series 2008 Bond over any other Series 2008 Bond, or a reduction in the aggregate principal amount of Series 2008 Bonds required for consent to amendment or modification.

Notwithstanding anything in this Series 2008 Resolution to the contrary, this Series 2008 Resolution may be amended without the consent of the Holders of the Series 2008 Bonds to provide clarification, correct omissions, make technical changes, comply with State laws, make such additions, deletions or modifications as may be necessary to assure compliance with Section 148 of the Code or otherwise as may be necessary to assure exclusion of interest on the Series 2008 Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and make such other amendments that do not materially adversely affect the interest of Holders of Series 2008 Bonds then Outstanding.

SECTION 17. Authorization of Further Actions. The Mayor, the County Manager, the Finance Director, the Public Works Director, the Transit Director, the County Attorney, the Clerk and other officers, employees and agents of the County are hereby authorized and directed to do all acts and things and to execute and deliver any and all documents and certificates which they deem necessary or advisable in order to consummate the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds and otherwise to carry out, give effect to and comply with the terms and intent of this Series 2008 Resolution, the Series 2008 Bonds and the related documents. In the event that the Mayor, the County Manager, the Finance Director, the Transit Director, the Clerk or the County Attorney is unable to execute and deliver the contemplated documents, such documents shall be executed and delivered by the respective designee of such officer or official or any other duly authorized officer or official of the County.

SECTION 18. Severability; Resolution Controlling. In case any one or more of the provisions of this Series 2008 Resolution or any approved document shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provisions of this Series 2008 Resolution or such document, as the case may be, and such other provisions shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provisions had not been contained. All or any part of resolutions or proceedings in conflict with the provisions of this Series 2008 Resolution are to the extent of such conflict repealed or amended to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 19. Governing Law. The Series 2008 Bonds are to be issued and this Series 2008 Resolution is adopted and such other documents necessary for the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds shall be executed and delivered with the intent that, except to the extent otherwise specifically provided in such documents, the laws of the State shall govern their construction.

SECTION 20. Waivers. The provisions of Resolution No. R-130-06, as amended, requiring that any contracts of the County with third parties be executed and finalized prior to their placement on the committee agenda are waived at the request of the County Manager for the reasons set forth in the County Manager's Memorandum.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman        |                    |
| Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman |                    |
| Jose "Pepe" Diaz                   | Audrey M. Edmonson |
| Carlos A. Gimenez                  | Sally A. Heyman    |
| Joe A. Martinez                    | Dennis C. Moss     |
| Dorrin D. Rolle                    | Natacha Seijas     |
| Katy Sorenson                      | Rebeca Sosa        |
| Sen. Javier D. Souto               |                    |

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008. This resolution shall become effective as follows: (1) ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, and (2) either i) the Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust (CITT) has approved same, or ii) in response to the CITT's disapproval, the County Commission reaffirms its award by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Commission's membership and such reaffirmation becomes final.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.

GBK for GTH

Gerald T. Heffernan

Prepared by Bond Counsel: Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P.  
KnoxSeaton

EXHIBIT A  
SERIES 2008 PROJECT

| <u>Allocation</u> <sup>(1)</sup>   | <u>Estimated</u>                |
|--|---------------------------------|
| - Bus and Rail Facility Improvements                                       | \$ 27,678,000                   |
| - Fare Collection System Replacement                                       | 33,818,000                      |
| - Mover Vehicle Replacement and Rail Vehicle<br>Rehabilitation/Replacement | 36,612,000                      |
| - Rapid Transit Corridor Improvements                                      | 41,892,000                      |
| - Major Highway and Road Improvements                                      | 36,699,000                      |
| - Neighborhood Improvements  | <u>13,301,000</u>               |
| <br>Total  | <br><b><u>\$190,000,000</u></b> |

(1) Represents deposit to the Series 2008 Construction Account.

Portions of the Series 2008 Project may be modified as approved by the County Manager provided that each portion of the Series 2008 Project, as modified, is a Transit System Sales Surtax Project the Cost of which is eligible to be paid from proceeds of the Series 2008 Bonds.

EXHIBIT B

FORM OF SERIES 2008 BOND

No. R-

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
STATE OF FLORIDA  
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX REVENUE BOND, SERIES 2008

INTEREST RATE                      MATURITY                      DATED DATE                      CUSIP

REGISTERED OWNER:

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT:

Miami-Dade County, Florida, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (the "County"), for value received, hereby promises to pay, but only from the Pledged Revenues hereinafter described, to the Registered Owner on the date shown above, unless this Bond shall have been called for earlier redemption and payment of the redemption price shall have been duly made or provided for, upon surrender of this Bond, the principal of this Bond and to pay to the Registered Owner at the close of business on the Regular Record Date (hereinafter defined), but only from said Pledged Revenues, interest from the interest payment date next preceding the date on which this Bond is authenticated unless it is authenticated on an interest payment date, in which event it shall bear interest from such date or if it is authenticated prior to the first interest payment date, in which event it shall bear interest from the Dated Date specified above, until payment of said principal amount has been made or provided for, at the annual rate shown above on the first day of January and July of each year, commencing \_\_\_\_\_. Regular Record Date shall mean the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) day (whether or not a business day) of the calendar month next preceding the interest payment date. The interest on this Bond is payable by check or draft drawn on the Paying Agent hereinafter mentioned and the principal and the premium, if any, are payable at the designated corporate trust office of the Paying Agent, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, or at the duly designated office of any duly appointed alternate or successor paying agent (the "Paying Agent"); provided that any Registered Owner of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) or more in principal amount of Bonds shall be entitled, at such Registered Owner's expense as provided in the Series 2008 Resolution (hereinafter defined), to receive payment of interest by wire transfer upon written request delivered to the Paying Agent at least fifteen (15) days prior to an Interest Payment Date. If and to the extent, however, that the County fails to make payment or provision for payment on any interest payment date of interest on this Bond, that interest shall cease to be payable to the person who was the Registered Owner of this Bond as of the applicable Regular Record Date. In that event, when moneys become available for payment of the delinquent interest, the Paying Agent

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shall establish a special interest payment date for the payment of the defaulted interest and a special record date (the "Special Record Date") for payment of the delinquent interest as provided in the Bond Ordinance hereinafter referred to, and the Paying Agent shall cause notice of the proposed special interest payment date and the Special Record Date to be mailed not fewer than ten (10) days preceding the Special Record Date to the person who was the Registered Owner of this Bond, and, thereafter, the delinquent interest shall be payable on the special interest payment date to the Registered Owner of this Bond as of the close of business on the Special Record Date. The principal of, premium, if any, and interest on this Bond shall be paid in any coin or currency of the United States of America which, at the time of payment, is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts.

This Bond is one of a duly authorized series of revenue bonds of the County designated as "Miami-Dade County, Florida Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds, Series 2008" (the "Bonds"), issued for the principal purpose of providing funds to pay all or a part of the costs of certain transportation and transit projects[ and refund an outstanding loan from the Sunshine State Governmental Financing Commission that funded certain transportation and transit projects], pursuant to Ordinance No. 05-48, duly enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, Florida (the "Board") on March 1, 2005 (the "Master Ordinance"), and Resolution No. R- \_\_\_\_\_ duly adopted by the Board on \_\_\_\_\_, 2008 (the "Series 2008 Resolution" and, together with the Master Ordinance, the "Bond Ordinance"), reference to which Bond Ordinance is hereby made for the provisions, among others, with respect to the custody and application of the proceeds of the Bonds, the funds charged with and pledged to the payment of the principal of and the interest on the Bonds, the nature and extent of the security, the terms and conditions on which obligations on a parity with the Bonds may be issued under the Master Ordinance, the rights, duties and obligations of the County under the Bond Ordinance and the rights of the owners of the Bonds; and, by the acceptance of this Bond, the Registered Owner assents to all the provisions of the Bond Ordinance. This Bond is issued, the Master Ordinance was enacted and the Series 2008 Resolution was adopted under the authority of the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida, including, but not limited to, the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Amendment and Charter, as amended, Chapters 125 and 166, Florida Statutes, as amended, the Transit System Sales Surtax Act, the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, as amended, including the Transit System Sales Surtax Ordinance, and all other applicable laws. Terms used in capitalized form in this Bond and not defined shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Bond Ordinance.

This Bond and the interest thereon is a special and limited obligation of the County, payable solely from and secured by a prior lien upon and a pledge of the Pledged Revenues, all in the manner provided in the Bond Ordinance. The Bonds and any other bonds issued under the Master Ordinance are and will be equally and ratably secured, to the extent provided in the Master Ordinance, by the pledge of the Pledged Revenues.

The County is not obligated to pay this Bond or the interest or redemption premium, if any, thereon except from the Pledged Revenues. This Bond shall not be deemed to constitute a debt of the County, the State or any other political subdivision of the State or a pledge of the faith and credit of the County, the State or any other political subdivision of the State but this Bond shall be payable solely from the Pledged Revenues. The enactment of the Master Ordinance, the adoption of the Series 2008 Resolution and the issuance of this Bond shall not directly or indirectly or

contingently obligate the County, the State or any other political subdivision of the State to levy or to pledge any form of ad valorem taxation whatsoever, nor shall this Bond constitute a charge, lien or encumbrance, legal or equitable, upon any property of the County, the State or any other political subdivision of the State. The Registered Owner of this Bond shall have no right to require or compel the exercise of the ad valorem taxing power of the County, the State or any other political subdivision of the State for payment of this Bond or be entitled to payment of such amount from any other funds of the County, except from the Pledged Revenues in the manner provided in the Master Ordinance.

The Bonds maturing on \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption in part prior to maturity, by lot, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Bonds to be redeemed, commencing on \_\_\_\_\_ and on each \_\_\_\_\_ thereafter, in the years and principal amounts set forth below:

| <u>Year</u> | <u>Principal Amount</u> |
|-------------|-------------------------|
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**\*Final Maturity**

The Bonds maturing on or before \_\_\_\_\_ shall not be subject to optional redemption prior to maturity. The Bonds maturing on or after \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to optional redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the County, in whole or in part at any time, on or after \_\_\_\_\_, and if in part, in maturities determined by the County and by lot within a maturity, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Bonds or portion of such Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

Any such redemption shall be made upon written notice not less than thirty (30) days prior to the redemption date to the Registered Owners of the Bonds to be redeemed, in the manner and under the terms and conditions provided in the Bond Ordinance. On the date designated for redemption, notice having been given and moneys for payment of the redemption price being held by the Paying Agent, all as provided in the Bond Ordinance, the Bonds so called for redemption shall become and be due and payable at the redemption price provided for redemption of such Bonds on such date, interest on the Bonds so called for redemption shall cease to accrue, such Bonds shall not be deemed to be Outstanding for purposes of the Bond Ordinance and shall cease to be entitled to any lien, benefit or security under the Bond Ordinance, and the Registered Owners of such Bonds shall have no rights in respect of such Bonds except to receive payment of the redemption price. If less than all of one Bond is selected for redemption, the Registered Owner of such Bond or his legal representative shall present and surrender such Bond to the Paying Agent for payment of the principal amount of the Bond called for redemption, and the County shall execute and the Registrar shall authenticate and deliver to or upon the order of such Registered Owner or his legal representative, without charge, for the unredeemed portion of the principal amount of the old Bond, a new Bond of the same maturity, bearing interest at the same rate and of any denomination or denominations authorized by the Bond Ordinance.

The Registered Owner of this Bond shall have no right to enforce the provisions of the Bond Ordinance, or to institute action to enforce the covenants contained in the Bond Ordinance, or to take any action with respect to any event of default under the Bond Ordinance, or to institute, appear in or defend any suit or other proceeding, except as provided in the Bond Ordinance.

Modifications or alterations of the Bond Ordinance or of any amendatory or supplemental ordinance or resolution may be made only to the extent and in the circumstances permitted by the Bond Ordinance.

This Bond is transferable by the Registered Owner in person or by his attorney duly authorized in writing at the designated corporate trust office of the Registrar, but only in the manner, subject to the limitations and upon payment of the charges provided in the Bond Ordinance, and upon surrender and cancellation of this Bond. Upon such transfer a new registered Bond or Bonds of the same maturity and interest rate and of authorized denomination or denominations for the same aggregate principal amount will be issued in exchange to the transferee.

The Registrar shall not be required to transfer or exchange any Bond (a) called for redemption, (b) during the period of 15 days next preceding the selection of Bonds to be redeemed or until after the mailing of any notice of redemption, or (c) during the period beginning on a Regular Record Date and ending on the next succeeding interest payment date.

Each Bond delivered pursuant to any provision of the Bond Ordinance in exchange or substitution for, or upon the transfer of the whole or any part of one or more other Bonds, shall carry all of the rights to interest accrued and unpaid and to accrue that were carried by the whole or such part, as the case may be, of such one or more other Bonds, and notwithstanding anything contained in the Bond Ordinance, such Bonds shall be so dated or bear such notation, that neither gain nor loss in interest shall result from any such exchange, substitution or transfer.

No recourse shall be had for the payment of the principal of or interest or redemption premium, if any, on this Bond, or for any claim based on this Bond or on the Bond Ordinance, against any member, officer or employee, past, present or future, of the County or of any successor body, as such, either directly or through the County or any such successor body, under any constitutional provision, statute or rule of law, or by the enforcement of any assessment or by any legal or equitable proceeding or otherwise, all such liability of such members, officers or employees being released as a condition of and as consideration for the enactment of the Master Ordinance and the adoption of the Series 2008 Resolution by the County and the issuance of this Bond.

The County, the Registrar and the Paying Agent may deem and treat the person in whose name this Bond is registered as the absolute owner for the purpose of receiving payment of, or on account of, the principal of and the interest due on this Bond and for all other purposes; and neither the County, the Registrar nor the Paying Agent shall be affected by notice to the contrary except the due execution and delivery to the Registrar of the Certificate of Transfer set forth at the end of this Bond.

All acts, conditions and things required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida and the Bond Ordinance to exist, to have happened and to have been performed precedent to and in the issuance of this Bond, do exist, have happened and have been performed.

This Bond is not valid unless the Registrar's Certificate of Authentication endorsed on this Bond is duly executed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Miami-Dade County, Florida has caused this Bond to be executed in its name and on its behalf by the manual or facsimile signature of its Mayor and its seal or a facsimile to be printed hereon and attested by the manual or facsimile signature of its Clerk or any Deputy Clerk and has caused this Bond to be dated as of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

[SEAL]

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Board of  
County Commissioners

REGISTRAR'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This Bond is one of the bonds of the series designated herein, described in the within-mentioned Bond Ordinance.

\_\_\_\_\_  
as Registrar

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signatory

Date of Authentication: \_\_\_\_\_

[STATEMENT OF INSURANCE]

ABBREVIATIONS

The following abbreviations, when used in the inscription on the face of the within Bond, shall be construed as though they were written out in full according to applicable laws or regulations:

- TEN COM - as tenants in common
- TEN ENT - as tenants by the entireties
- JT TEN - as joint tenants with rights of survivorship and not as tenants in common

UNIFORM GIFT MIN ACT - \_\_\_\_\_ Custodian \_\_\_\_\_  
(Cust) (Minor)

Under Uniform Gifts to Minors

Act \_\_\_\_\_  
(State)

Additional abbreviations may also be used though not in the above list.

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, \_\_\_\_\_, the undersigned, hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto \_\_\_\_\_ (Tax Identification or Social Security No. \_\_\_\_\_) the within bond and all rights thereunder, and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints \_\_\_\_\_ attorney to transfer the within bond on the books kept for registration thereof, with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTICE: The signature to this assignment must correspond with the name as it appears upon the face of the within bond in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatever.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ \*

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX REVENUE BONDS,  
SERIES 2008

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OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE

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Miami-Dade County, Florida Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds, Series 2008 (the "Series 2008 Bonds") are being offered for sale in accordance with this Official Notice of Sale. Bids for the purchase of the Series 2008 Bonds will be received on behalf of Miami-Dade County, Florida, on Grant Street Group's MuniAuction website located at website address "[www.grantstreet.com](http://www.grantstreet.com)" on \_\_\_\_\_, 2008, between 11:45 A.M. and 12:00 Noon (but not later than 12:00 Noon), Eastern Time (except for extension as described under "BIDDING PROCEDURES" in this Official Notice of Sale).

\_\_\_\_\_, 2008

**EXHIBIT "C"**

\* Preliminary, subject to change.

## Official Notice of Sale

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ \*

### Miami-Dade County, Florida Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds, Series 2008

Notice is given that all-or-none ("AON") bids will be received by Miami-Dade County, Florida (the "County"), for the purchase of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \* Miami-Dade County, Florida Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds, Series 2008 (the "Series 2008 Bonds"). All bids must be submitted on Grant Street Group's MuniAuction website ("MuniAuction") located at website address "[www.grantstreet.com](http://www.grantstreet.com)" between 11:45 A.M. and 12:00 Noon (but not later than 12:00 Noon), Eastern Time (except for extension as described under "BIDDING PROCEDURES" in this Official Notice of Sale) on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, 2008. To bid, bidders must have: (1) completed the registration form on either the MuniAuction website or any municipal debt auction website powered by MuniAuction, and (2) requested and received admission to the County's auction (as described under "REGISTRATION AND ADMISSION TO BID" below). The use of MuniAuction shall be at the bidders' risk and expense, and the County shall have no liability with respect to its use by the bidders.

THE BIDDING PROCESS, CURRENTLY SCHEDULED FOR \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, 2008, BETWEEN 11:45 A.M. AND 12:00 NOON, EASTERN TIME, MAY BE POSTPONED OR THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT AND AMORTIZATION OF THE SERIES 2008 BONDS MAY BE CHANGED OR ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE MAY BE AMENDED BY THE COUNTY UPON NO LESS THAN TWENTY-FOUR (24) HOURS PRIOR NOTICE THROUGH MUNIAUCTION. IF SUCH A POSTPONEMENT, CHANGE OR AMENDMENT OCCURS, BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE AS MODIFIED BY SUCH NOTICE.

### **BOND DETAILS**

The Series 2008 Bonds will be issued initially as fully registered bonds, and when executed and delivered, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as registered owner and nominee for The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), which will act as securities depository for the Series 2008 Bonds. Individual purchases of the Series 2008 Bonds may be made only in book-entry-only form in denominations of \$5,000 or integral multiples of \$5,000. Purchasers of the Series 2008 Bonds (the "Beneficial Owners") will not receive physical delivery of bond certificates. As long as Cede & Co. is the registered owner of the Series 2008 Bonds, payments of principal and interest with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds will be made to such registered owner who will in turn remit such principal and interest payments to DTC participants for subsequent disbursement to the Beneficial Owners.

\* Preliminary, subject to change.

The Series 2008 Bonds will be dated the date of their original issuance and delivery and bear interest from such date payable commencing on January 1, 2009, and on each January 1 and July 1 thereafter until maturity or prior redemption at the rate or rates specified in such proposal as may be accepted. The schedule of maturities and principal amounts to be paid are as follows:

INITIAL  
MATURITY SCHEDULE  
FOR THE  
SERIES 2008 BONDS

| <u>Maturity</u><br><u>(July 1)</u> | <u>Principal</u><br><u>Amount*</u> | <u>Maturity</u><br><u>(July 1)</u> | <u>Principal</u><br><u>Amount*</u> |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
|                                    | \$                                 |                                    | \$                                 |

(NOTE: The County reserves the right to modify the initial maturity schedule (the "Initial Maturity Schedule") shown above. (See "BOND DETAILS - Adjustment of Principal Amounts" and "TERMS OF BID AND BASIS OF AWARD" below.))

Term Bond Option - Bidders may designate the principal amounts of the Series 2008 Bonds set forth in the Initial Maturity Schedule for any two (2) or more consecutive years as a single term maturity which will mature in the latest of the years designated, and will have a stated maturity amount equal to the sum of the annual principal amounts designated as a part of such term maturity. Bidders may designate no more than four (4) term maturities in such manner, and only one term maturity may be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption in any year. Upon such designation, the Series 2008 Bonds of such term maturity shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption in part by lot on July 1, in the principal amounts which would otherwise have matured in such designated years, at the price of par plus accrued interest to the redemption date, without premium.

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\* Preliminary, subject to change.

Adjustment of Principal Amounts - The Initial Maturity Schedule for the Series 2008 Bonds represents an estimate of the principal amounts and maturities of Series 2008 Bonds which will be sold. The County reserves the right to change the Initial Maturity Schedule by announcing any such change not later than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the date and time established for receipt of bids, through MuniAuction. If such a change is announced, then the changes, when incorporated into the Initial Maturity Schedule, shall become part of the revised maturity schedule (the "Revised Maturity Schedule"). Such Revised Maturity Schedule shall be deemed the principal amounts and maturities for the Series 2008 Bonds. If no such change is announced, then the Initial Maturity Schedule will be deemed the principal amounts and maturities for the Series 2008 Bonds.

In addition, if after the final computation of the bids, the County determines, in its sole discretion, that the funds necessary to accomplish the purposes of the Series 2008 Bonds are either more or less than the proceeds of the sale of the Series 2008 Bonds, the County reserves the right either to increase or decrease, by no more than 10%, the principal amount of each maturity of the Series 2008 Bonds (to be rounded to the nearest \$5,000). In the event of any such adjustment, no rebidding or recalculation of the bids submitted will be required or permitted and the Series 2008 Bonds of each maturity, as adjusted, will bear interest at the same rate and must have the same reoffering yield as specified in the proposal of the successful bidder.

Optional Redemption Provisions – The Series 2008 Bonds maturing on or prior to July 1, \_\_\_\_\_ are not subject to optional redemption. The Series 2008 Bonds maturing on or after July 1, \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to optional redemption prior to maturity by the County, in whole or in part at any time on or after July 1, \_\_\_\_\_, and if in part, in maturities determined by the County and by lot within any maturity, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Series 2008 Bonds or portion of such Series 2008 Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, and without premium.

## AUTHORIZATION

The County will issue the Series 2008 Bonds under the authority of, and in full compliance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida, including, Chapters 125 and 166, Florida Statutes, as amended, Sections 212.054 and 212.055(1), Florida Statutes, as amended, the Home Rule Amendment and Charter of Miami-Dade County, Florida, as amended, the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, as amended, including Ordinance No. 02-116, enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, Florida (the "Board") on July 9, 2002, Ordinance No. 05-48 enacted by the Board on March 1, 2005 (the "Master Ordinance"), and Resolution No. R-\_\_\_\_\_, adopted by the Board on \_\_\_\_\_, 2008 (the "Series 2008 Resolution").

## PURPOSE

The Series 2008 Bonds are being issued for the principal purpose of paying all or a portion of the costs of certain transportation and transit projects in the County all as described under the caption "THE TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX PROGRAM – Series 2008 Transit System Sales Surtax Projects" in the Preliminary Official Statement dated \_\_\_\_\_,

2008 relating to the Series 2008 Bonds (the "Preliminary Official Statement"), [ and refunding an outstanding loan from the Sunshine State Governmental Financing Commission that funded certain transportation and transit projects].

### **SECURITY FOR THE BONDS**

The Series 2008 Bonds will be special and limited obligations of the County, payable solely from and secured by the Pledged Revenues, as described in the Preliminary Official Statement.

### **BOND INSURANCE**

[The County has obtained the commitment of \_\_\_\_\_ to issue concurrently with the delivery of the Series 2008 Bonds a policy of municipal bond insurance unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteeing payment when due of the principal of and interest on the Series 2008 Bonds (the "Bond Insurance Policy"). The County shall be responsible for payment of the premium for the Bond Insurance Policy.]

[Bidders may, at their option, obtain a policy of municipal bond insurance unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteeing payment of principal of, and interest on, all or any designated maturities of the Series 2008 Bonds (the "Bond Insurance Policy"); however, the responsibility for payment of the premium for the Bond Insurance Policy shall rest with the successful bidder. Each bidder should indicate whether municipal bond insurance has been purchased and provide the name of the insurer. The County will provide information to municipal bond insurance companies, if these companies wish to consider the qualification of the Series 2008 Bonds for bond insurance. Announcements regarding the availability of such municipal bond insurance shall be made by the applicable insurer over the [Munifacts] prior to the sale date. Bidders not having access to such service may contact individual bond insurers to ascertain the availability and cost of such insurance. However, the County does not guarantee delivery or receipt of such information, and any failure in that regard may not be regarded as a basis for contesting the award of the Series 2008 Bonds to the successful bidder. If the Series 2008 Bonds are delivered on an insured basis, reference to the Bond Insurance Policy shall appear on the Series 2008 Bonds and in the Official Statement.]

[The County anticipates that the Series 2008 Bonds will be pre-qualified for municipal bond insurance by municipal bond insurance providers. Purchase of municipal bond insurance shall be at the bidder's option. The cost of such municipal bond insurance, if elected, will be borne by the underwriter[s] and not by the County.]

### **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE**

In the Series 2008 Resolution, the County has committed to provide certain annual information and notices of material events as required by Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule") as promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and as described in APPENDIX B of the Preliminary Official Statement.

The successful bidder's obligation to purchase the Series 2008 Bonds shall be conditioned upon its receiving, at or prior to the delivery of the Series 2008 Bonds, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the successful bidder, a copy of the Series 2008 Resolution with the continuing disclosure undertaking set forth above, which shall constitute a written agreement for the benefit of the registered owners and Beneficial Owners of the Series 2008 Bonds as required by the Rule.

### **RATINGS**

Standard & Poor's Ratings Services ("S&P"), Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's") and Fitch Ratings ("Fitch") [will assign] ratings to the Series 2008 Bonds of "\_\_\_," "\_\_\_" and "\_\_\_," respectively, [with the understanding that upon the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds the Bond Insurance Policy is obtained. S&P, Moody's and Fitch have also assigned underlying ratings to the Series 2008 Bonds of "\_\_\_," "\_\_\_" and "\_\_\_," respectively]. The rating reports of such rating agencies will be made available upon request to the Office of the Finance Director for the County, Stephen P. Clark Center, 111 N.W. First Street, Suite 2550, Miami, Florida 33128-1929, (305) 375-5147 or to the County's Financial Advisor, Public Resources Advisory Group, Inc., 475 Central Avenue, Suite 201, St. Petersburg, FL 33701-3859, (727) 822-3339, Attention: Marianne Edmonds, Senior Managing Director.

Such ratings reflect the views of the respective rating agencies and an explanation of the significance of such ratings may be obtained only from the rating agencies. There is no assurance that such ratings will be in effect for any given period of time or that they will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by the rating agencies, if in the judgment of the rating agencies, circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision or withdrawal may have an adverse effect upon the market price of the Series 2008 Bonds.

### **PURCHASER'S CERTIFICATION REGARDING INITIAL OFFERING PRICE**

At the time the County delivers the Series 2008 Bonds, the successful bidder shall furnish to the County a certificate acceptable to Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. and KnoxSeaton, Bond Counsel ("Bond Counsel"), to the effect that (i) all of the Series 2008 Bonds of each maturity have been the subject of a bona fide initial offering to the public (excluding bond houses, brokers or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters or wholesalers) at a price not higher than or a yield not lower than those shown for each maturity on the cover of the Official Statement, and (ii) based on the records of and information available to the successful bidder, at least ten percent of each maturity of the Series 2008 Bonds was sold to the public (excluding bond houses, brokers or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters or wholesalers) at the respective initial offering price or yield for such maturity shown on the cover of the Official Statement. If any maturity of the Series 2008 Bonds was also offered to institutional or other investors at a discount from the price at which such maturity was offered to the general public, the successful bidder may be asked for additional certifications as to actual and expected sales of the Series 2008 Bonds at such discounted price.

## LEGAL OPINIONS

The opinions of Bond Counsel will approve the legality of the Series 2008 Bonds and state that under existing law (i) assuming continuing compliance by the County with certain covenants and the accuracy of certain representations, interest on the Series 2008 Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals and corporations under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, but a portion of such interest may be subject to the federal corporate alternative minimum tax imposed on certain corporations, and (ii) the Series 2008 Bonds and the income thereon are exempt from taxation under the laws of the State of Florida, except estate taxes imposed by Chapter 198, Florida Statutes, as amended, and net income and franchise taxes imposed by Chapter 220, Florida Statutes, as amended.

Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge LLP, West Palm Beach, Florida and Rasco, Reininger, Perez, Esquenazi & Vigil, PL, Coral Gables, Florida (collectively, "Disclosure Counsel") have advised the County on certain matters relating to disclosure for the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds and in connection with the preparation of the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement. The opinions of Disclosure Counsel will be furnished to the successful bidder, without charge, together with the closing documents customarily delivered by the County for the issuance of special limited obligation bonds.

## GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT

Each bidder is required to provide to the County a good faith deposit in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, representing two percent (2%) of the principal amount of the Series 2008 Bonds (the "Good Faith Deposit") in the form of a financial surety bond (the "Financial Surety Bond") naming the County as the obligee in the event of default by the bidder pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Financial Surety Bond (or the Good Faith Deposit may be provided in the form of a certified or cashier's check as described below). If a Financial Surety Bond is used, it must be from an insurance company licensed to issue such a bond in the State of Florida and approved by the County (as of the date of this Official Notice of Sale, only Financial Security Assurance Inc. is qualified for this purpose) and must be received by the County's Finance Director at 111 N.W. First Street, Suite 2550, Miami Florida 33128-1929 by 11:00 A.M., Eastern Time, on the date bids are due. The Financial Surety Bond must identify each bidder whose Good Faith Deposit is guaranteed by such Financial Surety Bond. **If the Series 2008 Bonds are awarded to a bidder utilizing a Financial Surety Bond, that bidder is required to submit to the County (i) a certified or cashier's check drawn upon a bank or trust company in immediately available funds, dated on or before the business day immediately following the day bids for the Series 2008 Bonds are received, or (ii) a wire transfer of immediately available funds in the amount of the Good Faith Deposit requirement.** Such payment of the Good Faith Deposit shall be considered due on the day the Series 2008 Bonds are awarded and shall be considered delinquent if not received by 12:00 Noon, Eastern Time, on the next business day following award of the Series 2008 Bonds. If such certified or cashier's check or wire transfer is not received by that time, the Financial Surety Bond may be drawn down by the County to satisfy the Good Faith Deposit requirement.

Alternatively, the Good Faith Deposit may be provided in the form of a certified or cashier's check drawn upon a bank or trust company in immediately available funds, dated on or before the date of the bid (the "Good Faith Check"). The Good Faith Check must be received by the County's Finance Director, at 111 N.W. First Street, Suite 2550, Miami Florida 33128-1929, by 11:00 A.M., Eastern Time, on the date bids are due and must be payable unconditionally to the order of the "Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, Florida." Award or rejection of bid(s) will be made on the date the bid(s) are received. The Good Faith Checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned immediately after the award is made. If the successful bidder submitted a Good Faith Check, the Good Faith Check of the successful bidder will be cashed by the County after the award is made.

The proceeds of the Good Faith Deposit of the successful bidder shall be held as security for the performance of the successful bidder's obligation to comply with the terms of its bid. At the time of the delivery of and payment for the Series 2008 Bonds, the amount of the Good Faith Deposit shall be credited against the purchase price due from the successful bidder for the Series 2008 Bonds. In the event the successful bidder should fail to comply with the terms of its bid, the proceeds of the Good Faith Deposit shall be retained by the County. The retention of such proceeds by the County will constitute full liquidated damages and the successful bidder shall have no further liability. If the Series 2008 Bonds are not issued for any reason other than the successful bidder failing to comply with its bid, the County shall promptly deliver the proceeds of the Good Faith Deposit to the successful bidder, in immediately available funds, and the County shall have no further liability to the successful bidder. No interest shall be paid or credited to the successful bidder on the proceeds of the Good Faith Deposit.

### **REGISTRATION AND ADMISSION TO BID**

To bid, bidders must first visit the MuniAuction website at "[www.grantstreet.com](http://www.grantstreet.com)" where, if they have never registered with either MuniAuction or any municipal debt auction website powered by MuniAuction, they can register and then request admission to bid in the AON auction on all of the Series 2008 Bonds. Bidders will be notified prior to the scheduled bidding time of their eligibility to bid. Only NASD registered broker-dealers and dealer banks with DTC clearing arrangements will be eligible to bid. The County will determine whether any request for admission is granted.

### **BIDDING PROCEDURES**

All bids must be submitted electronically on the MuniAuction website at "[www.grantstreet.com](http://www.grantstreet.com)". **No telephone, telefax, telegraph or personal delivery bids will be accepted.** Bidders may change and submit bids as many times as they wish during the auction; provided, however, that each bid submitted subsequent to a bidder's initial bid must result in a lower true interest cost on the Series 2008 Bonds ("TIC"), when compared to the immediately preceding bid of such bidder. The last bid submitted by a bidder before the end of the auction (as the same may be extended as described below) will be compared to all other final bids submitted by others to determine the winning bidder or bidders. During the bidding, no bidder will see any other bidder's bid but each bidder will be able to see its ranking (i.e., "Leader", "Cover", "3<sup>rd</sup>", etc.).

If any bid becomes a leading bid two (2) minutes prior to the end of the auction, then the auction will be automatically extended by two (2) minutes from the time such new leading bid was received by MuniAuction. The auction end time will continue to be extended, indefinitely, until a single leading bid remains the leading bid for at least two (2) minutes.

Bidders should verify the accuracy of their final bids and compare them to the winning bids reported on the MuniAuction Observation Page immediately after the auction.

### **RULES OF MUNIAUCTION**

The "Rules of MuniAuction" can be viewed on the MuniAuction website at "[www.grantstreet.com](http://www.grantstreet.com)" and are incorporated by reference in this Official Notice of Sale. Bidders must comply with the Rules of MuniAuction in addition to the requirements of this Official Notice of Sale. In the event the Rules of MuniAuction conflict with this Official Notice of Sale, this Official Notice of Sale shall prevail.

### **TERMS OF BID AND BASIS OF AWARD**

Bids must be unconditional and for the purchase of all of the Series 2008 Bonds. **THE PURCHASE PRICE FOR THE SERIES 2008 BONDS SHALL BE NO LESS THAN 98% OF THE AGGREGATE PAR AMOUNT OF THE SERIES 2008 BONDS.** In addition, the reoffering price of any individual maturity of the Series 2008 Bonds may not be less than [97%] of the par amount of that maturity (calculated to the date of delivery of the Series 2008 Bonds). **BIDDERS MUST INCLUDE IN THEIR BIDS A LIST OF THE MEMBERS OF THEIR SYNDICATE.**

The Series 2008 Bonds shall bear interest expressed in multiples of one-eighth (1/8) or one-twentieth (1/20) of one (1) per centum. No bid offering a difference greater than [350] basis points between the highest coupon rate bid for any single maturity and the lowest coupon rate bid for any other maturity will be considered. All Series 2008 Bonds maturing on the same date shall bear the same rate of interest.

The Series 2008 Bonds will be awarded to the bidder offering to purchase the Series 2008 Bonds at the lowest annual interest cost computed on a TIC basis, but not exceeding [5.50]%. The annual TIC will be determined by doubling the semi-annual interest rate (compounded semi-annually) necessary to discount the debt service payments on the Series 2008 Bonds from the payment dates to the date of the Series 2008 Bonds and to the price bid. For purposes of this Official Notice of Sale, sinking fund installments for any Series 2008 Term Bonds shall be considered as serial maturities. The TIC must be calculated to six (6) decimal places. In the case of a tie, the winning bid will be the first bid received by MuniAuction (any change to a submitted bid constitutes a new bid).

**EACH BIDDER MUST SPECIFY IN ITS BID THE INTEREST RATE FOR THE SERIES 2008 BONDS OF EACH MATURITY AND ALL SERIES 2008 BONDS MATURING ON THE SAME DATE MUST BEAR INTEREST AT THE SAME RATE. NO BIDS FOR**

LESS THAN ALL OF THE SERIES 2008 BONDS OFFERED WILL BE ENTERTAINED. THE COUNTY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ANY BID NOT CONFORMING TO THIS OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE. THE COUNTY ALSO RESERVES THE RIGHT TO WAIVE, IF PERMITTED BY LAW, ANY IRREGULARITY OR INFORMALITY IN ANY PROPOSAL. THE COUNTY SHALL NOT REJECT ANY CONFORMING BID, UNLESS ALL CONFORMING BIDS ARE REJECTED.

### **COMPLIANCE WITH SEC AND MSRB RULES**

The successful bidder agrees to take any and all other actions necessary to comply with applicable SEC and Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") rules governing the offering, sale and delivery of the Series 2008 Bonds, including, without limitation, the payment of any fees or charges required to be paid by the MSRB or the Bond Market Association in connection with the purchase or sale of the Series 2008 Bonds.

### **SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION**

It is the County's policy to foster participation by small business firms and disadvantaged business enterprises (collectively, the "Small Business Enterprise Firms") in each of its bond issues. The County strongly encourages each bidder to support that policy by including Small Business Enterprise Firms in its syndicate. No bid, however, will be considered non-responsive on the basis of non-compliance with the County's request that the syndicate include Small Business Enterprise Firms. **To assist the County, each bidder shall identify any Small Business Enterprise Firms that are part of the syndicate.**

### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Prospective bidders are advised to take notice of the Conflict of Interest provision contained in Section 2-11.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, as amended, particularly with respect to contracts with members of the Board and certain employees of the County and their immediate families and restrictions relating to lobbying activities.

### **SETTLEMENT OF BONDS**

It is expected that closing for the Series 2008 Bonds will occur in Miami, Florida on or about \_\_\_\_\_, 2008 (the "Closing Date"), or such other date as shall be appropriate to ensure compliance with the Rule. On such date, the Series 2008 Bonds will be delivered to DTC as securities depository and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC. The successful bidder shall timely obtain CUSIP identification numbers and pay CUSIP Service Bureau charges for assignment of the numbers. **The successful bidder shall advise the County within two business days after notice of award of the CUSIP identification numbers for the Series 2008 Bonds.** The successful bidder shall also advise the underwriting department of DTC, not less than 4 business days prior to the Closing Date, of the interest rates borne by the Series 2008 Bonds, the CUSIP identification numbers and the Closing Date. Any delay, error or omission with respect to the CUSIP numbers shall not constitute a cause for failure or refusal by the successful bidder to accept delivery of, and pay for, the Series 2008 Bonds in accordance with the terms of this Official Notice of Sale.

FULL PAYMENT OF THE PURCHASE PRICE (LESS THE AMOUNT OF THE GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT) MUST BE MADE TO THE COUNTY BY 11:00 A.M. EASTERN TIME ON THE CLOSING DATE BY THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER IN FEDERAL RESERVE FUNDS OR IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE FUNDS WITHOUT COST TO THE COUNTY.

### **BLUE SKY LAWS**

The successful bidder will be responsible for the clearance or exemption with respect to the status of the Series 2008 Bonds for sale under the securities or "Blue Sky" laws of the several states and the preparation of any surveys or memoranda in connection with such sale. The County shall have no responsibility for such clearance, exemption or preparation.

### **CLOSING DOCUMENTS**

In addition to the opinions of Bond Counsel and Disclosure Counsel referred to above, at the time of payment for, and delivery of, the Series 2008 Bonds, the County will furnish the successful bidder with the following documents all to be dated as of the date of delivery:

1. ***No Litigation Opinion*** - An opinion of the Office of the Miami-Dade County Attorney to the effect that, except as described in the Official Statement, there is no litigation pending, or to its knowledge, threatened, which if determined adversely, would materially affect the validity of the Series 2008 Bonds.
2. ***General Certificate*** - A certificate or certificates of the appropriate officers of the County to the effect that (1) to the best of such officer's knowledge and belief, and after reasonable investigation, (a) neither the Official Statement nor any amendment or supplement to it contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, and (b) since the date of the Official Statement, no materially adverse change has occurred in the financial position or results of operation of the County except as set forth in or contemplated by the Official Statement; (2) the Series 2008 Bonds have been executed by manual or facsimile signature of the appropriate County officials who were duly authorized to execute the same; and (3) on the basis of the facts, estimates and circumstances relied upon at the time of delivery of the Series 2008 Bonds, it is not expected that the proceeds of the Series 2008 Bonds will be used in a manner that will cause the Series 2008 Bonds to be arbitrage bonds.
3. ***Finance Director's Receipt*** - The receipt of the Finance Director showing that the purchase price of the Series 2008 Bonds has been received and deposited in the appropriate funds and accounts.

The successful bidder will be required to execute certain closing documents required by Florida law or by Bond Counsel in connection with the delivery of the Series 2008 Bonds or the delivery of the opinions of Bond Counsel described in this Official Notice of Sale.

### **PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT; FINAL OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

The County has authorized the distribution of its Preliminary Official Statement, which it deemed final (except for permitted omissions) for purposes of the Rule. The Preliminary Official Statement describes the Series 2008 Bonds and contains information with respect to the County. The Preliminary Official Statement is available for viewing in electronic format on the MuniAuction website located at "[www.grantstreet.com](http://www.grantstreet.com)". In addition, NASD registered broker-dealers and dealer banks with DTC clearing arrangements may either: (a) print out a copy of the Preliminary Official Statement on their own printer, or (b) elect to receive a bound hard copy of the Preliminary Official Statement in the mail by requesting it on the MuniAuction website or as described below under "ADDITIONAL INFORMATION". In order to print a copy or request a bound hard copy of the Preliminary Official Statement from MuniAuction, click the "View POS" button on the MuniAuction Selections Page and follow the instructions.

**This Official Notice of Sale is not intended to be a disclosure document. All bidders must review the Preliminary Official Statement and certify that they have done so prior to participating in the bidding. In the event of any conflict between the statements contained in the Preliminary Official Statement and in this Official Notice of Sale, the statements contained in the Preliminary Official Statement will prevail.**

Upon the sale of the Series 2008 Bonds, the County will deliver a final Official Statement substantially in the same form as the Preliminary Official Statement, subject to such amendments as are necessary, to the successful bidder within the earlier of seven business days following the sale of the Series 2008 Bonds or to accompany the successful bidder's confirmation that requests payment for the Series 2008 Bonds. Up to five hundred (500) copies of the Official Statement (and any supplement to the Official Statement) will be made available to the successful bidder at the expense of the County. Additional copies may be obtained at the expense of such bidder.

### **MANDATORY STATE FILING**

Section 218.38(1)(b)1, Florida Statutes, as amended, requires that the County file, within 120 days after the delivery of the Series 2008 Bonds, an information statement with the Division of Bond Finance of the Board of Administration of the State of Florida (the "Division of Bond Finance") containing the following information: (a) the name and address of the managing underwriter, if any, connected with the bond issue; (b) the name and address of any attorney or financial consultant who advised the County with respect to the bond issue; (c) any fee, bonus, or gratuity paid by any underwriter or financial consultant, in connection with the bond issue, to any person not regularly employed or engaged by such underwriter or consultant; and (d) any other fee paid by the County with respect to the bond issue, including any fee paid to attorneys or financial consultants. The successful bidder is expected to provide to the County the information mentioned in (a) and (c) above when the Series 2008 Bonds are delivered, but in no event later than ninety (90) days after delivery as required by Section 218.38(1)(b)2. Such information

provided pursuant to the cited Statute shall be maintained by the Division of Bond Finance and by the County as a public record.

**TRUTH-IN-BONDING STATEMENT**

Each bidder will be required to complete and sign the Truth-in-Bonding Statement set forth in Exhibit A to this Official Notice of Sale and submit such statement to the County's Finance Director (which submission may be by facsimile transmission at (305) 375-5659) on the date bids are due prior to the award of the Series 2008 Bonds by the County.

**PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES**

Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, provides, among other things, that a person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY TWO (currently \$25,000) for a period of thirty-six (36) months following the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Notice of Sale are available on the MuniAuction website at "[www.grantstreet.com](http://www.grantstreet.com)" for review. In addition, copies of the Preliminary Official Statement and Official Notice of Sale will be furnished, in limited quantities, upon application to the undersigned at the Stephen P. Clark Center, 111 N.W. First Street, Suite 2550, Miami, Florida 33128-1929, (305) 375-5147, or to the County's Financial Advisor, Public Resources Advisory Group, Inc., 475 Central Avenue, Suite 201, St. Petersburg, FL 33701-3859, (727) 822-3339, Attention: Marianne Edmonds, Senior Managing Director.

Any questions concerning the MuniAuction website should be directed to Anthony Chiapetta at (412) 391-5555, extension 329. Any questions regarding bidder support should be directed to Mike Sparks at (412) 391-5555, extension 324 or John Carver at (412) 391-5555, extension 316.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Rachel E. Baum, C.P.A.  
Finance Director

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2008

**EXHIBIT A**

**TRUTH-IN-BONDING STATEMENT**

In compliance with Section 218.385, Florida Statutes, as amended, the undersigned bidder submits the following Truth-In-Bonding Statement with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds (NOTE: For information purposes only and not a part of the bid):

The County is proposing to issue \$ \_\_\_\_\_ of debt or obligation for the purpose of financing certain transportation and transit projects in the County. This debt or obligation is expected to be repaid over a period of \_\_\_ years. At a forecasted interest rate of \_\_\_\_\_%, total interest paid over the life of the debt obligation will be \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

The source of repayment or security for this proposal are the Pledged Revenues (as said term is defined in the Master Ordinance described in the Official Notice of Sale to which this Exhibit A is attached), consisting principally of a portion of the payments received from the levy of the Transit System Sales Surtax (as said term is defined in the Master Ordinance) by the County. Authorizing this debt will result in approximately \$ \_\_\_\_\_ of such Pledged Revenues not being available to finance the other services of the County each year for approximately \_\_\_ years.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(BIDDER'S NAME)

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBIT "D"**  
**SUMMARY NOTICE OF SALE**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ \*  
**Miami-Dade County, Florida**  
**Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds,**  
**Series 2008**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all-or-none ("AON") bids will be received by Miami-Dade County, Florida (the "County") for the purchase of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \* Miami-Dade County, Florida Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds, Series 2008 (the "Series 2008 Bonds"). All bids must be submitted on Grant Street Group's MuniAuction website ("MuniAuction") at website address "[www.grantstreet.com](http://www.grantstreet.com)" between 11:45 a.m. and 12:00 Noon (but not later than 12:00 Noon), Eastern Time (except for extension as described under "BIDDING PROCEDURES" in the Official Notice of Sale) on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, 2008, in accordance with the Official Notice of Sale. To bid, bidders must have: (1) completed the registration form on either the MuniAuction website or any municipal debt auction website powered by MuniAuction, and (2) requested and received admission to the County's auction (as described under "REGISTRATION AND ADMISSION TO BID" in the Official Notice of Sale). The County reserves the right to postpone the date and time established for the receipt of bids and to change the principal maturities of the Series 2008 Bonds upon no less than twenty-four (24) hours notice through MuniAuction prior to the sale.

Proceeds of the Series 2008 Bonds shall be used to finance the costs of certain transportation and transit projects in the County [and to refund an outstanding loan from the Sunshine State Governmental Financing Commission that funded certain transportation and transit projects].

The Series 2008 Bonds will be issued in fully registered book-entry-only form through a system of registration maintained by The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, as the securities depository, and will be sold in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple of \$5,000. Settlement for the Series 2008 Bonds is expected to occur on or about \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

The Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Notice of Sale will be available on MuniAuction for review. Copies of the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Notice of Sale will also be available upon request from the Finance Director's Office, Stephen P. Clark Center, 111 N.W. First Street, Suite 2550, Miami, Florida 33128-1929, (305) 375-5147 or from the County's Financial Advisor, Public Resources Advisory Group, Inc., 475 Central Avenue, Suite 201, St. Petersburg, FL 33701-3859, (727) 822-3339, Attention: Marianne Edmonds, Senior Managing Director.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Rachel E. Baum, C.P.A.  
Finance Director

Dated this \_\_\_\_ day of  
\_\_\_\_\_, 2008

\* Preliminary, subject to change.

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NEW ISSUE- BOOK-ENTRY ONLY

RATINGS: Standard & Poor's: \_\_\_  
Moody's: \_\_\_  
Fitch: \_\_\_  
(See "Ratings")

*In the opinion of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. and KnoxSeaton, Bond Counsel, under existing law (i) assuming continuing compliance with certain covenants and the accuracy of certain representations, interest on the Series 2008 Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals and corporations, and (ii) the Series 2008 Bonds and income thereon are exempt from taxation under the laws of the State of Florida, except estate taxes imposed by Chapter 198, Florida Statutes, as amended, and net income and franchise taxes imposed by Chapter 220, Florida Statutes, as amended. Interest on the Series 2008 Bonds may be subject to certain federal taxes imposed only on certain corporations, including the corporate alternative minimum tax on a portion of that interest. For a more complete discussion of the tax aspects, see "TAX MATTERS" in this Official Statement.*

\$ \_\_\_\_\_\*  
**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
**Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds**  
**Series 2008**

Dated: Date of Delivery

Due: July 1, as shown below

The Miami-Dade County, Florida, Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds, Series 2008 (the "Series 2008 Bonds"), will be issued by Miami-Dade County, Florida (the "County") as fully registered bonds in the name of Cede & Co., as registered owner and nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), which will act as securities depository for the Series 2008 Bonds. Since purchases of beneficial interests in the Series 2008 Bonds will be made in book-entry only form in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple of \$5,000, beneficial owners will not receive physical delivery of bond certificates. Interest on the Series 2008 Bonds will be payable semi-annually on January 1 and July 1 of each year, commencing January 1, 2009. Principal of the Series 2008 Bonds will be payable at the designated office of [Bank], [City, State], as Paying Agent and Registrar for the Series 2008 Bonds. As long as DTC or its nominee is the registered owner of the Series 2008 Bonds, payments of the principal of and interest on the Series 2008 Bonds will be made directly to DTC or its nominee. See "DESCRIPTION OF THE SERIES 2008 BONDS - Book-Entry Only System" in this Official Statement.

The Series 2008 Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity under the terms and conditions as more fully described in this Official Statement.

The Series 2008 Bonds are being issued to (i) pay all or a portion of the cost of certain transportation and transit projects as described in this Official Statement, (ii) fund the Reserve Account in an amount equal to the increase in the Reserve Account Requirement resulting from the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds, [(iii) currently refund the outstanding Sunshine State Loan (as described herein)]; and (iv) pay the cost of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds.

THE SERIES 2008 BONDS ARE SPECIAL AND LIMITED OBLIGATIONS OF THE COUNTY, PAYABLE SOLELY FROM AND SECURED BY A PRIOR LIEN UPON AND A PLEDGE OF THE PLEDGED REVENUES AS PROVIDED IN THE MASTER ORDINANCE (AS DESCRIBED HEREIN). THE SERIES 2008 BONDS SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO CONSTITUTE A DEBT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA (THE "STATE"), THE COUNTY OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OR A PLEDGE OF THE FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE STATE, THE COUNTY OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE BUT SHALL BE PAYABLE SOLELY FROM THE PLEDGED REVENUES. THE ISSUANCE OF THE SERIES 2008 BONDS SHALL NOT DIRECTLY, INDIRECTLY OR CONTINGENTLY OBLIGATE THE STATE, THE COUNTY OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE TO LEVY OR TO PLEDGE ANY FORM OF AD VALOREM TAXATION WHATSOEVER, NOR SHALL THE SERIES 2008 BONDS CONSTITUTE A CHARGE, LIEN OR ENCUMBRANCE, LEGAL OR EQUITABLE, UPON ANY PROPERTY OF THE STATE, THE COUNTY OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE. NO HOLDER OF THE SERIES 2008 BONDS WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO REQUIRE OR COMPEL THE EXERCISE OF THE AD VALOREM TAXING POWER OF THE STATE, THE COUNTY OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE FOR PAYMENT OF THE SERIES 2008 BONDS, OR BE ENTITLED TO PAYMENT OF SUCH AMOUNT FROM ANY OTHER FUNDS OF THE COUNTY, EXCEPT FROM THE PLEDGED REVENUES IN THE MANNER PROVIDED IN THE MASTER ORDINANCE.

[INSERT LANGUAGE RE BIDDING ON INSURANCE].

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EXHIBIT "E"

\* Preliminary, subject to change

**MATURITY DATES, PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS, INITIAL CUSIP NUMBERS, INTEREST RATES AND YIELDS**

| <u>Maturity Date (July 1)</u> | <u>Principal Amount</u> | <u>Initial CUSIP No.</u> <sup>(1)</sup> | <u>Interest Rate</u> | <u>Yield</u> | <u>Maturity Date (July 1)</u> | <u>Principal Amount</u> | <u>Initial CUSIP No.</u> <sup>(1)</sup> | <u>Interest Rate</u> | <u>Yield</u> |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|---|----------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|---|----------------------|--------------|
|                               | \$                      |   | %                    | %            |                               | \$                      |   | %                    | %            |

<sup>(1)</sup> The County takes no responsibility for the CUSIP numbers, which are included solely for the convenience of the owners of the Series 2008 Bonds.

This cover page contains information for quick reference only. It is *not* a complete summary of the information in this Official Statement. Investors must read this entire Official Statement, including the Appendices, to obtain information essential in making an informed investment decision with respect to the purchase of the Series 2008 Bonds.

Bids for the purchase of the Series 2008 Bonds will be received on behalf of the County on Grant Street Group's MuniAuction website located at website address [www.grantstreet.com](http://www.grantstreet.com) on \_\_\_\_\_, 2008, as provided in the Official Notice of Sale.

*The Series 2008 Bonds are offered when, as and if issued by the County and accepted by the Underwriters, subject to the delivery of legal opinions by Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P., Miami, Florida, and KnoxSeaton, Miami, Florida, Bond Counsel. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the County by the Office of the Miami-Dade County Attorney. Certain legal matters relating to disclosure will be passed upon for the County by Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge LLP, West Palm Beach, Florida, and Rasco, Reininger, Perez, Esquenazi & Vigil PL, Coral Gables, Florida, Disclosure Counsel. Public Resources Advisory Group, St. Petersburg, Florida, has served as Financial Advisor to the County in connection with the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds. It is expected that the Series 2008 Bonds will be available for delivery through DTC in New York, New York, on or about \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.*

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2008

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**RED HERRING LANGUAGE:**

This Preliminary Official Statement and the information contained herein are subject to completion or amendment. Under no circumstances shall this Preliminary Official Statement constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of any offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the Series 2008 Bonds in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration, qualification or exemption under the securities laws of such jurisdiction.

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NO DEALER, BROKER, SALESPERSON OR OTHER PERSON HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE COUNTY OR THE UNDERWRITERS TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION OR TO MAKE ANY REPRESENTATIONS OTHER THAN AS SET FORTH IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT AND, IF GIVEN OR MADE, SUCH OTHER INFORMATION OR REPRESENTATION MUST NOT BE RELIED UPON AS HAVING BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE COUNTY OR THE UNDERWRITERS. THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR THE SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO BUY NOR SHALL THERE BE ANY SALE OF THE SERIES 2008 BONDS BY A PERSON IN ANY JURISDICTION IN WHICH IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR SUCH PERSON TO MAKE SUCH AN OFFER, SOLICITATION OR SALE. THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT IS NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS A CONTRACT WITH THE PURCHASERS OF THE SERIES 2008 BONDS.

THE SERIES 2008 BONDS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED, OR ANY STATE SECURITIES LAW, NOR HAS THE BOND ORDINANCE BEEN QUALIFIED UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939, AS AMENDED, IN RELIANCE UPON EXEMPTIONS CONTAINED IN SUCH ACTS.

THESE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN RECOMMENDED BY ANY FEDERAL OR STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR REGULATORY AUTHORITY. FURTHERMORE, THE FOREGOING AUTHORITIES HAVE NOT CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OR DETERMINED THE ADEQUACY OF THIS DOCUMENT. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OFFERING, THE UNDERWRITERS MAY OVERALLOT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS WHICH STABILIZE OR MAINTAIN THE MARKET PRICE OF THE SERIES 2008 BONDS AT A LEVEL ABOVE THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME. THE UNDERWRITERS MAY OFFER AND SELL THE SERIES 2008 BONDS TO CERTAIN DEALERS AND OTHERS AT PRICES LOWER OR YIELDS HIGHER THAN THE PUBLIC OFFERING PRICES OR YIELDS SET FORTH ON THE COVER PAGE OF THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT, AND SUCH PUBLIC OFFERING PRICES OR YIELDS MAY BE CHANGED FROM TIME TO TIME, AFTER THE INITIAL OFFERING TO THE PUBLIC, BY THE UNDERWRITERS.

THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT IS BEING PROVIDED TO PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS EITHER IN BOUND PRINTED FORM ("ORIGINAL BOUND FORMAT") OR IN ELECTRONIC FORMAT ON THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE: \_\_\_\_\_. THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT MAY BE RELIED UPON ONLY IF IT IS IN ITS ORIGINAL BOUND FORMAT OR AS PRINTED IN ITS ENTIRETY DIRECTLY FROM SUCH WEBSITE.

CERTAIN STATEMENTS INCLUDED OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT CONSTITUTE "FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS." SUCH STATEMENTS GENERALLY ARE IDENTIFIABLE BY THE TERMINOLOGY USED, SUCH AS "PLAN," "EXPECT," "ESTIMATE," "BUDGET" OR OTHER SIMILAR WORDS. SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO CERTAIN STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN THE INFORMATION UNDER THE CAPTIONS "ESTIMATED SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS," "CERTAIN INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS." THE ACHIEVEMENT OF CERTAIN RESULTS OR OTHER EXPECTATIONS CONTAINED IN SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS INVOLVE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN RISKS, UNCERTAINTIES AND OTHER FACTORS THAT MAY CAUSE ACTUAL RESULTS, PERFORMANCE OR ACHIEVEMENTS DESCRIBED TO BE MATERIALLY DIFFERENT FROM ANY FUTURE RESULTS, PERFORMANCE OR ACHIEVEMENTS EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED BY SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS.

THIS PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT IS IN A FORM DEEMED FINAL BY THE COUNTY FOR PURPOSES OF RULE 15c2-12 PROMULGATED UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS AMENDED, EXCEPT FOR CERTAIN INFORMATION PERMITTED TO BE OMITTED PURSUANT TO RULE 15c2-12(b)(1).

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# OFFICIAL STATEMENT

relating to

§ \_\_\_\_\_ \*  
**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
**Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds**  
**Series 2008**

## INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Official Statement of Miami-Dade County, Florida (the "County"), which includes the cover page and Appendices, is to furnish information in connection with the issuance and sale by the County of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \* aggregate principal amount of Miami-Dade County, Florida Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds, Series 2008 (the "Series 2008 Bonds"). The Series 2008 Bonds are being issued pursuant to the authority of, and in compliance with, the Constitution and Laws of the State of Florida (the "State"), including, without limitation, (i) Chapter 125 and Chapter 166, Florida Statutes, each as amended, (ii) Section 212.054 and Section 212.055(1), Florida Statutes, each as amended (the "Transit System Sales Surtax Act"), (iii) the Metropolitan Dade County Home Rule Amendment and Charter of the County, as amended, (iv) the Code of Miami-Dade County, as amended (the "County Code"), including Ordinance No. 02-116 enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County (the "Board") on July 9, 2002 (the "Transit System Sales Surtax Ordinance"), and (v) Ordinance No. 05-48 enacted by the Board on March 1, 2005 (the "Master Ordinance") and Resolution No. R- \_\_\_\_\_ adopted by the Board on \_\_\_\_\_, 2008 (the "Series 2008 Resolution," and together with the Master Ordinance, the "Bond Ordinance"). The full text of the Bond Ordinance is appended to this Official Statement as "APPENDIX B – MASTER ORDINANCE AND SERIES 2008 RESOLUTION."

Pursuant to the Transit System Sales Surtax Act, the Transit System Sales Surtax Ordinance and the approval of the voters at a special election held on November 5, 2002, the County levies and imposes a one half of one percent discretionary sales surtax on all transactions occurring in the County that are subject to the State of Florida tax imposed on sales, use, services, rentals, admissions and other transactions under Chapter 212, Florida Statutes. Subject to certain limitations, proceeds of the discretionary sales surtax are to be used to fund the cost of certain transportation and transit projects in the County. Under the Master Ordinance, the Board has authorized the issuance from time to time of County special and limited obligation bonds for the purpose of paying all or a portion of costs for certain transportation and transit projects to be funded pursuant to the Transit System Sales Surtax Ordinance. The Master Ordinance further authorizes the issuance from time to time of an initial aggregate principal amount of such bonds not to exceed \$500,000,000. The Series 2008 Bonds are the second Series of such Bonds to be issued and are being issued as senior debt to the obligations of the County under that Loan Agreement, dated as of September 1, 2004, between the County and the Sunshine State Governmental Financing Commission, pursuant to which the County has borrowed \$100,000,000 to fund certain Transit System Sales Surtax Projects, \$82,915,000 of which is outstanding (the "Sunshine State Loan"). The Series 2008 Bonds are secured and payable on a parity with the County's \$183,600,000 outstanding Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds, Series 2006 (the "Series 2006 Bonds").

The proceeds of the Series 2008 Bonds will be used to (i) pay all or a portion of the cost of certain transportation and transit projects as more particularly described under the caption "THE TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX PROGRAM – Series 2008 Transit System Sales Surtax Projects," (ii) fund the Reserve Account in an amount equal to the increase in the Reserve Account Requirement resulting from the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds, [(iii) currently refund the outstanding Sunshine State Loan]; and (iv) pay the cost of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds.

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The Series 2008 Bonds are special and limited obligations of the County and are payable solely from and secured equally and ratably by a prior lien upon and pledge of the Pledged Revenues pursuant to the Bond Ordinance. See "SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2008 BONDS" in this Official Statement.

This Official Statement contains descriptions of, among other things, the Series 2008 Bonds, the Bond Ordinance and the County. Such descriptions and information do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive. Certain information in this Official Statement has been provided by The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). The County has not provided information in this Official Statement with respect to DTC and does not certify as to the accuracy or sufficiency of the disclosure policies of or content provided by DTC and is not responsible for the information provided by DTC. All references in this Official Statement to the Bond Ordinance and related documents are qualified by reference to such documents, and references to the Series 2008 Bonds are qualified in their entirety by reference to the form of such bonds included in the Bond Ordinance. *All capitalized terms in this Official Statement shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Bond Ordinance unless another meaning is ascribed to any of such terms in this Official Statement.*

## DESCRIPTION OF THE SERIES 2008 BONDS

### General

The Series 2008 Bonds shall bear interest at such rates and will mature on the dates and in the principal amounts set forth on the cover page of this Official Statement. [Bank], [City, State], will act as Registrar and Paying Agent for the Series 2008 Bonds (the "Registrar" or "Paying Agent").

The Series 2008 Bonds will be issued initially as fully registered bonds in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, which will act as securities depository for the Series 2008 Bonds. Purchases of the Series 2008 Bonds will be made through a book-entry only system maintained by DTC, in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple of \$5,000, and purchasers of the Series 2008 Bonds (the "Beneficial Owners") will not receive physical delivery of bond certificates. As long as DTC or its nominee is the registered owner of the Series 2008 Bonds, the principal and interest payments will be made to DTC or its nominee, which will in turn remit such principal and interest payments to DTC's Participants (as defined below under "Book-Entry Only System") for subsequent disbursement to the Beneficial Owners. See "Book-Entry Only System" below.

### Redemption of Series 2008 Bonds

Optional Redemption. The Series 2008 Bonds maturing on or before July 1, \_\_\_\_ shall not be subject to optional redemption prior to maturity. The Series 2008 Bonds maturing on or after July 1, \_\_\_\_ shall be subject to optional redemption prior to maturity by the County, in whole or in part at any time on or after July 1, \_\_\_\_, and if in part, in maturities determined by the County and by lot within a maturity, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Series 2008 Bonds or portion of such Series 2008 Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption and without premium.

Mandatory Redemption. The Series 2008 Bonds maturing on July 1, \_\_\_\_ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption in part prior to maturity, by lot, at a redemption price equal 100% of to the principal amount of the Series 2008 Bonds to be redeemed, commencing July 1, \_\_\_\_ and on each July 1 thereafter, in the years and principal amounts set forth below.

Year

Principal  
Amount  
\$

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\* Final Maturity

The Series 2008 Bonds maturing on July 1, \_\_\_\_ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption in part prior to maturity, by lot, at a redemption price equal 100% of to the principal amount of the Series 2008 Bonds to be redeemed, commencing July 1, \_\_\_\_ and on each July 1 thereafter, in the years and principal amounts set forth below.

Year

Principal  
Amount  
\$

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\* Final Maturity

Notice of Redemption. In the event that any Series 2008 Bonds are called for redemption, the Paying Agent will give notice in the name of the County, of the redemption of such Series 2008 Bonds, which notice shall (i) specify the Series 2008 Bonds to be redeemed, the CUSIP numbers, certificate numbers, the date of issue, interest rate, maturity date of the Series 2008 Bonds to be redeemed, the redemption date, the date of notice, the redemption price and the place or places where amounts due upon such redemption will be payable (which shall be the designated principal corporate trust office of the Paying Agent or of its agent) and, if less than all of the Series 2008 Bonds are to be redeemed, the numbers of the Series 2008 Bonds so to be redeemed and (ii) state that on the redemption date, the Series 2008 Bonds to be redeemed will cease to bear interest.

Notice of redemption will be given by the Paying Agent in the name of the County by mailing a copy of the redemption notice to Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, as registered owner of the Series 2008 Bonds, or, if DTC is no longer the registered owner of the Series 2008 Bonds, then to the then registered owners of the Series 2008 Bonds not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption, by first class mail at their addresses appearing on the bond registration books of the County maintained by the Registrar, and if applicable, to the securities depository.

Failure to mail any such notice (or any defect in the notice) to one or more registered owners of the Series 2008 Bonds will not affect the validity of any proceedings for such redemption with respect to the registered owners of the Series 2008 Bonds to which notice was duly given.

Effect of Calling for Redemption. On the date designated for redemption of any Series 2008 Bonds, notice having been mailed as provided in the Master Ordinance and moneys for payment of the redemption price being held by the Paying Agent in trust for the registered owners of the Series 2008 Bonds to be redeemed, the Series 2008 Bonds so called for redemption will become and be due and payable at the redemption price provided for redemption of such Series 2008 Bonds on such date, interest on the Series 2008 Bonds so called for redemption will cease to accrue, such Series 2008 Bonds will not be deemed Outstanding for purposes of the Bond Ordinance and will cease to be entitled to any lien, benefit or security under the Bond Ordinance, and the registered owners of such Series 2008 Bonds will have no rights in respect of the Series 2008 Bonds except to receive payment of the redemption price of the Series 2008 Bonds.

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Conditional Notice of Redemption. In the case of an optional redemption of any Series 2008 Bonds, the notice of redemption may state that (1) it is conditioned upon the deposit of moneys with the Paying Agent or with an escrow agent under an escrow deposit agreement, in amounts necessary to effect the redemption, no later than the redemption date or (2) the County retains the right to rescind such notice on or prior to the scheduled redemption date (in either case, a "Conditional Redemption"), and such notice and optional redemption shall be of no effect if such moneys are not so deposited or if the notice is rescinded. Any such notice of Conditional Redemption shall be captioned "Conditional Notice of Redemption." Any Conditional Redemption may be rescinded at any time prior to the redemption date if the County delivers a written direction to the Paying Agent directing the Paying Agent to rescind the redemption notice. The Paying Agent shall give prompt notice of such rescission to the affected Bondholders. Any Series 2008 Bonds subject to Conditional Redemption where redemption has been rescinded shall remain Outstanding, and neither the rescission nor the failure by the County to make such funds available shall constitute an Event of Default under the Bond Ordinance. The County shall give immediate notice to DTC and the affected Bondholders that the redemption did not occur and that the Series 2008 Bonds called for redemption and not so paid remain Outstanding under the Bond Ordinance.

### **Book-Entry Only System**

*The following description of the procedures and record keeping with respect to beneficial ownership interests in the Series 2008 Bonds, payment of interest and principal on the Series 2008 Bonds to Participants or Beneficial Owners of the Series 2008 Bonds, confirmation and transfer of beneficial ownership interest in the Series 2008 Bonds and other related transactions by and between DTC, the Participants and the Beneficial Owners of the Series 2008 Bonds is based solely on information furnished by DTC on its website for inclusion in this Official Statement. Accordingly, the County cannot make any representations concerning these matters.*

DTC will act as securities depository for the Series 2008 Bonds. The Series 2008 Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co., (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered bond will be issued for each maturity of the Series 2008 Bonds, each in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, as set forth on the cover page of this Official Statement, and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world's largest depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 2.2 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments from over 100 countries that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC, in turn, is owned by a number of Direct Participants of DTC and Members of the National Securities Clearing Corporation, Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, and Emerging Markets Clearing Corporation, (NSCC, FICC, and EMCC, also subsidiaries of DTCC), as well as by the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the American Stock Exchange LLC, and the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has Standard & Poor's highest

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rating: AAA. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at [www.dtcc.com](http://www.dtcc.com) and [www.dtc.org](http://www.dtc.org).

Purchases of Series 2008 Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Series 2008 Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of the Series 2008 Bonds ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Series 2008 Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive bond certificates representing their ownership interests in the Series 2008 Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Series 2008 Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Series 2008 Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of the Series 2008 Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Series 2008 Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Series 2008 Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Series 2008 Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds, such as redemptions, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Bond Ordinance. For example, Beneficial Owners of Series 2008 Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Series 2008 Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the Registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

Redemption notices shall be sent by the Registrar to DTC. If less than all of the Series 2008 Bonds within a particular maturity are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such maturity to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the County as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Series 2008 Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Principal, redemption premium, if any, and interest payments on the Series 2008 Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or to such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the County or the Paying Agent on the payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of

such Participant and not of DTC, the Paying Agent, or the County, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of principal, redemption price and interest to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the County or the Paying Agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as securities depository with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the County or the Registrar. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor securities depository is not obtained, bond certificates representing the Series 2008 Bonds are required to be printed and delivered to DTC.

The County may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, bond certificates representing the Series 2008 Bonds will be printed and delivered.

NEITHER THE COUNTY, THE REGISTRAR NOR THE PAYING AGENT WILL HAVE ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR OBLIGATION TO ANY DIRECT OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANT OR THE PERSONS FOR WHOM THEY ACT AS NOMINEES WITH RESPECT TO THE SERIES 2008 BONDS IN RESPECT OF THE ACCURACY OF ANY RECORDS MAINTAINED BY DTC OR ANY DIRECT OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANT, THE PAYMENT BY DTC OR ANY DIRECT OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANT OF ANY AMOUNT IN RESPECT OF THE PRINCIPAL OR INTEREST ON THE SERIES 2008 BONDS, ANY NOTICE WHICH IS PERMITTED OR REQUIRED TO BE GIVEN TO BONDHOLDERS UNDER THE BOND ORDINANCE OR ANY CONSENT GIVEN OR ACTION TAKEN BY DTC AS BONDHOLDER. SO LONG AS CEDE & CO. IS THE REGISTERED OWNER OF SUCH BONDS, AS NOMINEE OF DTC, THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS WILL NOT RECEIVE PHYSICAL CERTIFICATES REPRESENTING THEIR INTERESTS IN THE BONDS, AND REFERENCES HEREIN TO BONDHOLDERS OR REGISTERED HOLDERS OF SUCH BONDS SHALL MEAN CEDE & CO. AND SHALL NOT MEAN THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF SUCH BONDS.

### **Registration, Transfer and Exchange**

If the book-entry only system is discontinued, the Beneficial Owners shall receive certificated Bonds which will be subject to registration of transfer or exchange as set forth below. Transfer of any Series 2008 Bond may be registered upon the registration books maintained by the Registrar upon surrender of such Series 2008 Bond to the Registrar together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the Registrar. Upon surrender to the Registrar, a new fully registered Series 2008 Bond of the same maturity, in the same aggregate principal amount and bearing the same rate of interest will be issued to and in the name of the transferee. The County and the Registrar may charge the registered owners of the Series 2008 Bonds an amount sufficient to pay any tax, fee or other governmental charge required with respect to the registration of such transfer before any such certificated Series 2008 Bonds are delivered. The Registrar shall not be required (i) to transfer or exchange any Series 2008 Bonds for a period from a Regular Record Date to the next succeeding interest payment date or, in the case of a redemption of Series 2008 Bonds, 15 days next preceding any selection of Series 2008 Bonds to be redeemed or until after the mailing of any notice of redemption for the Series 2008 Bonds or (ii) to transfer or exchange any Series 2008 Bonds called for redemption.

The County, the Registrar and the Paying Agent shall deem and treat the registered owner of any Series 2008 Bond as the absolute owner of such Series 2008 Bond for all purposes, including for the purpose of receiving payment of the principal, redemption price, and interest on the Series 2008 Bonds.

## SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2008 BONDS

### Pledged Revenues

The Series 2008 Bonds are special and limited obligations of the County, payable solely from and secured by a prior lien upon and a pledge of (i) the funds collected and received from the transit system sales surtax, less certain administrative expenses and distributions required to be made to certain cities located within the County (the "Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues"), (ii) Hedge Receipts, and (iii) all moneys and investments (and interest earnings) on deposit to funds and accounts established under, or pursuant to, the Master Ordinance, except for moneys and investments on deposit to the credit of any rebate fund or rebate account (collectively, the "Pledged Revenues"). See "THE TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX."

The Pledged Revenues, pursuant to an irrevocable lien pledged and granted under the Master Ordinance, equally and ratably secure the Series 2006 Bonds, the Series 2008 Bonds, and any (i) future Additional Bonds, (ii) Refunding Bonds, (iii) net payments required to be made by the County as a result of fluctuation in hedged interest rates or fluctuation in the value of any index of payment pursuant to any interest rate exchange agreement, interest rate swap agreement, forward purchase contract, put option contract, call option contract or other financial product used by the County as a hedging device for purposes of the Master Ordinance (the "Hedge Obligations"), and (iv) other obligations specified by the Board as first lien obligations in accordance with the Master Ordinance (the "First Lien Obligations").

### Special and Limited Obligations of the County

THE SERIES 2008 BONDS ARE SPECIAL AND LIMITED OBLIGATIONS OF THE COUNTY, PAYABLE SOLELY FROM AND SECURED BY A PRIOR LIEN UPON AND A PLEDGE OF THE PLEDGED REVENUES AS PROVIDED IN THE MASTER ORDINANCE. THE SERIES 2008 BONDS SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO CONSTITUTE A DEBT OF THE STATE, THE COUNTY OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OR A PLEDGE OF THE FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE STATE, THE COUNTY OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE BUT SHALL BE PAYABLE SOLELY FROM THE PLEDGED REVENUES. THE ISSUANCE OF THE SERIES 2008 BONDS SHALL NOT DIRECTLY, INDIRECTLY OR CONTINGENTLY OBLIGATE THE STATE, THE COUNTY OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE TO LEVY OR TO PLEDGE ANY FORM OF AD VALOREM TAXATION WHATSOEVER, NOR SHALL THE SERIES 2008 BONDS CONSTITUTE A CHARGE, LIEN OR ENCUMBRANCE, LEGAL OR EQUITABLE, UPON ANY PROPERTY OF THE STATE, THE COUNTY OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE. NO HOLDER OF THE SERIES 2008 BONDS WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO REQUIRE OR COMPEL THE EXERCISE OF THE AD VALOREM TAXING POWER OF THE STATE, THE COUNTY OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE FOR PAYMENT OF THE SERIES 2008 BONDS, OR BE ENTITLED TO PAYMENT OF SUCH AMOUNT FROM ANY OTHER FUNDS OF THE COUNTY, EXCEPT FROM THE PLEDGED REVENUES IN THE MANNER PROVIDED IN THE MASTER ORDINANCE.

### Creation of Funds and Accounts

The Master Ordinance creates and establishes the "Miami-Dade County Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Fund" (the "Revenue Fund") and the "Miami-Dade County Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds Debt Service Fund" (the "Debt Service Fund") together with three separate accounts in the Debt Service Fund, designated "Bond Service Account," "Redemption Account" and "Reserve Account," respectively.

The Master Ordinance also authorizes the County to create, by Series Resolution, subaccounts within the Bond Service Account and the Redemption Account with respect to one or more Series of Bonds. Amounts held in any such subaccount may be required to be held solely for the applicable Series of Bonds and applied to their payment. No separate subaccounts were created with respect to the Series 2006 Bonds and no subaccounts are being created with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds.

### Flow of Funds

Pursuant to the Master Ordinance, upon the deposit by the County of the Net Transit System Sales Surtax Proceeds (as defined below) into the Transit System Sales Surtax Trust Fund (as defined below) the County shall immediately transfer the Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues to the Revenue Fund.

Moneys in the Revenue Fund shall be applied, on or before the 25<sup>th</sup> day of each month, commencing the month immediately following the first delivery of any Bonds, to the credit of the following funds and accounts or for the payment of the following obligations, in the following order:

- (i) to the credit of the Bond Service Account an amount equal to one-sixth of the amount of interest payable on all Bonds on the Interest Payment Date next succeeding (less any amount received as capitalized or accrued interest from the proceeds of any Bonds which is available for such interest payment) and an amount equal to one-twelfth of the next maturing installment of principal (or Accreted Value, as applicable) on all Serial Bonds then Outstanding; provided, however, that:
  - (a) in each month intervening between the date of delivery of a Series of Bonds, and the next succeeding Interest Payment Date and the next succeeding principal payment date, respectively, the amount specified in this subparagraph (i) shall be that amount which when multiplied by the number of deposits to the credit of the Bond Service Account required to be made during such respective periods will equal the amounts required (taking into account any amounts received as accrued interest or capitalized interest from the proceeds of such Bonds) for such next succeeding interest payment and next maturing installment of principal, respectively;
  - (b) the amount specified in this subparagraph (i) shall be reduced to take into account Hedge Receipts to be received on or before the succeeding Interest Payment Date and shall be increased to provide for the payment of any Hedge Obligations to be paid on or before the succeeding Interest Payment Date; and
  - (c) with respect to any Variable Rate Bonds (or any Hedge Agreement bearing interest at a variable rate of interest) and/or payable other than semiannually, the amount specified in this subparagraph (i) for the payment of interest (or Hedge Obligations) shall be that amount necessary to provide substantially equal monthly payments for the payment of such interest (or Hedge Obligations) on the payment dates;
- (ii) to the credit of the Redemption Account an amount equal to one-twelfth of the principal amount (or Accreted Value, as applicable) of all Term Bonds then Outstanding required to be retired in satisfaction of the Amortization Requirements for such Fiscal Year plus the redemption premiums, if any, that would be payable in such Fiscal Year for such Term Bonds if such Term Bonds were to be redeemed prior to their respective maturities from moneys held for the credit of the Debt Service Fund;

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- (iii) to the credit of the Reserve Account, the amount required under the Master Ordinance for such month; provided, however, no deposit shall be required in any month in which the amount on deposit in the Reserve Account is at least equal to the Reserve Account Requirement. If a Reserve Account Credit Facility is utilized and its Provider is required to advance any sums to pay principal and/or interest on the Bonds or other sums required to be funded from the Reserve Account, the County will pay the related Payment Obligations and other amounts due to the Provider in connection with such advance in accordance with the requirements of the Credit Agreement entered into between the County and such Provider with respect to such Reserve Account Credit Facility;
- (iv) to the payment of Administrative Expenses due and payable;
- (v) to the payment of principal (including amortization installments, if any) of, and premiums and interest on, and other required payments with respect to any Subordinate Obligations; and
- (vi) to the payment of Hedge Charges due and payable.

If the amount deposited in any month to the credit of any of the Funds and Accounts shall be less than the amount required to be deposited under the provisions of the Master Ordinance, the requirement shall nevertheless be cumulative and the amount of any deficiency in any month shall be added to the amount otherwise required to be deposited in each subsequent month until such time as all such deficiencies have been made up.

Notwithstanding the foregoing application of the Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues, the County may by ordinance or resolution provide for the payment from Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues of First Lien Obligations not constituting Bonds and for the funding of any reserve accounts established with respect to such First Lien Obligations on a parity with the payment of Bonds issued under the Master Ordinance and the funding of the Reserve Account, respectively, as set forth above.

Moneys from time to time on deposit in the Revenue Fund after the above applications may, at the election of the County, be applied to one or more of the following purposes:

- (i) to make up deficiencies in any of the Funds and Accounts created by or pursuant to the Master Ordinance including, but not limited to, any deficiencies in the Revenue Fund required for the payment of Administrative Expenses and Subordinate Obligations;
- (ii) to purchase or redeem Bonds, including the Series 2008 Bonds; and
- (iii) to any other purpose for which such moneys may lawfully be used under the laws of the State;

provided, however, that in the event of any deficiencies in any Funds or Accounts created by the Master Ordinance, the moneys in the Revenue Fund will be applied to make up all such deficiencies prior to applying any moneys in the Reserve Account for such purpose.

### **Reserve Account**

All Bonds issued under the Master Ordinance shall be secured by the Reserve Account. Pursuant to the Master Ordinance, the County shall fund the Reserve Account with cash, investments or a Reserve Account Credit Facility, or any combination thereof, in an amount equal to the Reserve Account Requirement. The "Reserve Account Requirement" is defined as the Maximum Principal and Interest Requirements in the then current or any subsequent Fiscal Year on all Outstanding Bonds or such lesser

amount which is the greatest amount allowable under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). In connection with the issuance of the Series 2006 Bonds, the County funded the Reserve Account in an amount equal to the then Reserve Account Requirement with proceeds of the Series 2006 Bonds. The County will fund the Reserve Account in an amount equal to the increase in the Reserve Account Requirement resulting from the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds with a portion of the Series 2008 Bonds proceeds.

If, in connection with the issuance of any Series of Bonds, the Finance Director delivers a certificate stating that the Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues for the Computation Period (as such term is defined below) equaled at least 200% of the Maximum Principal and Interest Requirements on all Bonds Outstanding, including the Series of Bonds being issued, the County may fund not less than 50% of the increase in the Reserve Account Requirement attributable to such Series of Bonds on the date of issuance of such Series of Bonds and the remaining increase in the Reserve Account Requirement may be funded in substantially equal monthly deposits into the Reserve Account over a period not to exceed sixty months. See "Additional Bonds and First Lien Obligations" and "Refunding Bonds" under this caption.

Moneys held for the credit of the Reserve Account shall first be used for the purpose of paying the interest on and the principal of the Bonds whenever and to the extent that the available moneys held for such purpose for the Bond Service Account and the Revenue Fund shall be insufficient for such purpose, and thereafter for the purpose of making deposits to the credit of the Redemption Account pursuant to the requirements of the Master Ordinance whenever and to the extent that withdrawals from the Revenue Fund are insufficient for such purposes. Amounts withdrawn from the Reserve Account for the purpose of payment of debt service on any Bonds shall be replenished and any other shortfalls in the amounts required to be on deposit in the Reserve Account shall be funded in substantially equal monthly deposits into the Reserve Account over a period not to exceed 60 months. If at any time the moneys held for the credit of the Reserve Account shall exceed the required amount, such excess shall be withdrawn by the Finance Director and deposited to the credit of the Revenue Fund.

### **Additional Bonds and First Lien Obligations**

Additional Bonds or any other obligations that are First Lien Obligations, which for purposes of this paragraph are deemed Additional Bonds (other than Refunding Bonds), may be issued by the County and secured by the Master Ordinance for the purpose of (i) paying all or any part of the cost of any transportation and transit projects, including operation and maintenance thereof, authorized to be funded under Section 212.055(1), Florida Statutes, and the Transit System Sales Surtax Ordinance or (ii) paying or refunding any obligations of the County incurred with respect to any such transportation and transit projects.

Before any Series of Additional Bonds can be issued, the Board must adopt a Series Resolution authorizing the issuance of such Additional Bonds, providing for the amount and the details of such Additional Bonds, and describing the purpose of such Additional Bonds. Prior to the delivery of each Series of Additional Bonds, there shall be filed with the Finance Director the following:

- (a) a copy, certified by the Clerk, of the Series Resolution;
- (b) a certificate, signed by the Finance Director:
  - (i) setting forth the amount of the Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues for any twelve consecutive months (the "Computation Period") in the preceding eighteen consecutive months. For purposes of this clause (i), in the event a change in law increases the permissible rate or scope of the Transit System Sales Surtax (as defined below) and if pursuant to such change of law, the County increases the rate or scope of the Transit System Sales Surtax and the County

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elects by supplemental ordinance to subject such increase to the pledge and lien granted under the Master Ordinance, and such increase has gone into effect prior to the delivery of the Additional Bonds and is scheduled to be in effect through the final maturity of the Additional Bonds, then the Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues shall be adjusted to include the additional amounts which would have been received during the Computation Period had such increase been in effect during the Computation Period;

(ii) setting the Maximum Principal and Interest Requirements in any Fiscal Year thereafter on account of all Bonds to be Outstanding as of the date of such delivery (which for purposes of this clause (ii) and clause (iii) below shall include other outstanding obligations that are First Lien Obligations), including the Additional Bonds then requested to be delivered; provided, however, that in computing Maximum Principal and Interest Requirements, there shall be deducted therefrom Qualified Earnings received by the County during the Computation Period; and

(iii) stating that the Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues for the Computation Period (adjusted, if applicable, as provided in clause (i) above) shall have equaled at least 150% of the Maximum Principal and Interest Requirements (computed as provided in clause (ii) above) on all Bonds to be Outstanding as of the date of delivery, including the Additional Bonds then requested to be delivered; and

(c) an opinion of the County Attorney stating that the issuance of such Additional Bonds has been duly authorized.

The Series 2008 Bonds are being issued as Additional Bonds.

## **Refunding Bonds**

Refunding Bonds and any other obligations that are First Lien Obligations, which for purposes of this paragraph are deemed Refunding Bonds, may be issued by the County and secured by the Master Ordinance for the purpose of providing funds for paying at maturity and redeeming all or any part of the outstanding Bonds of any one or more Series or other First Lien Obligations, including the payment of any redemption premium and any interest that will accrue on such Bonds or other First Lien Obligations and any expenses in connection with such paying at maturity and redemption.

Before any Series of Refunding Bonds can be issued, the Board must adopt a Series Resolution authorizing the issuance of such Refunding Bonds, fixing or providing for the fixing of the amount and details, and describing the Bonds or other First Lien Obligations to be paid and redeemed. Prior to or simultaneously with the delivery of such Refunding Bonds by the Finance Director, there shall be filed with the Finance Director the following:

(a) a copy, certified by the Clerk, of the Series Resolution;

(b) a certificate, signed by the Finance Director, either:

(i) stating that (A) the Maximum Principal and Interest Requirements in any Fiscal Year thereafter on account of all Bonds to be Outstanding after the issuance of such Refunding Bonds will not exceed the Maximum Principal and Interest Requirements in any Fiscal Year on account of all Bonds Outstanding immediately prior to the issuance of such Refunding Bonds, or (B) the aggregate Principal and Interest Requirements in all Fiscal Years thereafter on account of all Bonds to be Outstanding after the issuance of such Refunding Bonds will not exceed the aggregate Principal and Interest Requirements in all Fiscal Years on account of all Bonds Outstanding immediately prior to the issuance of such Refunding Bonds; provided that for

purposes of this clause (i) Bonds shall include other outstanding obligations that are First Lien Obligations; or

(ii) a certificate that complies with the requirements of the certificate to be delivered by the Finance Director in connection with the issuance of Additional Bonds, with the Refunding Bonds being deemed Additional Bonds for purposes of said certificate (*see* “ – Additional Bonds and First Lien Obligations” under this caption);

(c) an opinion of the County Attorney stating that the issuance of such Refunding Bonds has been duly authorized; and

(d) such documents as shall be required by the Finance Director to show that provision has been duly made in accordance with the provisions of the Master Ordinance or other documents, as applicable, for the payment or redemption of all Bonds or other First Lien Obligations to be paid or redeemed.

### **Subordinate Obligations; Other Indebtedness**

Except as set forth below, nothing contained in the Master Ordinance limits the right of the County to incur Subordinate Obligations or indebtedness or obligations that are not secured by the Pledged Revenues.

Prior to the delivery of any Subordinate Obligations, there will be filed with the Finance Director a certificate, signed by the Finance Director:

(i) setting forth the amount of the Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues for the Computation Period in the preceding eighteen consecutive months. For purposes of this clause (i), if a change in law increases the permissible rate or scope of the Transit System Sales Surtax and if, pursuant to such change in law, the County increases the rate or scope of the Transit System Sales Surtax and the County elects by supplemental ordinance to subject such increase to the pledge and lien granted under the Master Ordinance, and such increase has gone into effect prior to the delivery of the Subordinate Obligations and is scheduled to be in effect through the final maturity of such Subordinate Obligations, then the Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues will be adjusted to include the additional amounts that would have been received during the Computation Period had such increase been in effect during the Computation Period;

(ii) setting forth the Maximum Principal and Interest Requirements in any Fiscal Year thereafter on account of all Bonds (which for purposes of this clause (ii) and clause (iii) below will include other obligations that are First Lien Obligations) and Subordinate Obligations to be Outstanding as of the date of such delivery, including the Subordinate Obligations then being delivered; provided, however, that in computing Maximum Principal and Interest Requirements, there shall be deducted therefrom (A) Combined Qualified Earnings (as defined below) received by the County during the Computation Period and (B) Other Revenues (as defined below); and

(iii) stating that the Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues for the Computation Period (adjusted, if applicable, as provided in clause (i) above) has equaled at least 125% of the Maximum Principal and Interest Requirements (computed as provided in clause (ii) above) on all Bonds and Subordinate Obligations to be Outstanding as of the date of such delivery, including the Subordinate Obligations then being delivered.

For purposes of clauses (ii) and (iii) above:

(a) Subordinate Obligations will be deemed “Outstanding” in accordance with the terms of the documents pursuant to which such Subordinate Obligations were incurred;

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(b) Subordinate Obligations will be included in "Principal and Interest Requirements" and "Maximum Principal and Interest Requirements" based on the same rules as are applicable to Bonds under the Master Ordinance;

(c) "Combined Qualified Earnings" means the investment earnings on moneys on deposit in the Revenue Fund and the Debt Service Fund and the Accounts therein and in any similar funds and accounts established with respect to First Lien Obligations, not constituting Bonds, and Subordinate Obligations; provided, however, that investment earnings on moneys on deposit in the Reserve Account or in any similar account established with respect to First Lien Obligations, not constituting Bonds, or Subordinate Obligations will only be deemed "Combined Qualified Earnings" if such investment earnings are not required to be retained therein.

(d) "Other Revenues" means, to the extent the payment of Subordinate Obligations is also secured by a pledge of revenues other than the Pledged Revenues (or portions thereof), the lesser of (i) the amount of such revenues received by the County during the Computation Period or (ii) the portion of the Maximum Principal and Interest Requirements allocable to the Subordinate Obligations for the payment of which such revenues are pledged.

[The County has previously entered into the Sunshine State Loan for the purpose of financing certain Transit System Sales Surtax Projects. The Sunshine State Loan constitutes a Subordinate Obligation under the Master Ordinance and will be currently refunded with a portion of the proceeds of the Series 2008 Bonds. With respect to the current refunding of the Sunshine State Loan, the County has created a "Sunshine State Governmental Financing Commission Loan Refunding Account," into which a portion of the proceeds of Series 2008 Bonds will be deposited and applied to the prepayment of the Sunshine State Loan.]

### **Defeasance of the Series 2008 Bonds**

The Master Ordinance provides that if the Series 2008 Bonds are defeased in the manner described in the Master Ordinance, such Series 2008 Bonds will no longer be deemed to be Outstanding and the right, title and interest of the registered owners of such Series 2008 Bonds in the Bond Ordinance will cease and become void. See APPENDIX B - "MASTER ORDINANCE AND SERIES 2008 RESOLUTION."

### **Modifications or Supplements to Master Ordinance**

The Master Ordinance can be supplemented as set forth in Section 801 of the Master Ordinance, which relates to supplemental ordinances without consent of the bondholders, and Section 802 of the Master Ordinance, which relates to supplemental ordinances with the consent of the bondholders. See APPENDIX B - "MASTER ORDINANCE AND SERIES 2008 RESOLUTION."

## **THE TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX**

### **General**

Subject to the limitations and exemptions set forth in Chapter 212 of the Florida Statutes, the State imposes a tax on certain sales, use, services, rentals, admissions and other transactions occurring in the State, including, but not limited to, the rental of living quarters or sleeping or housekeeping accommodations for a period of six months or less, items or articles of tangible personal property sold at retail, the rental or lease of real property for purposes other than, among other things, agricultural uses or dwelling units, and the lease or rental of tangible personal property. Pursuant to Section 212.055(1) of the Florida Statutes, the County is authorized to impose the Transit System Sales Surtax on all

transactions occurring in the County that are subject to the State tax imposed on the above-referenced sales, use, services, rentals, admissions and other transactions.

### **Levy of Transit System Sales Surtax**

Pursuant to Section 212.055(1), Florida Statutes, the State authorized the County to levy a discretionary sales surtax of up to 1% to be used for the purposes of, among other things, planning, developing, constructing, operating and maintaining roads, bridges, bus systems and fixed guideway systems. The County elected to levy a one half of one percent discretionary sales tax (the "Transit System Sales Surtax"), subject to the approval of the County's electorate at the time that the Transit System Sales Surtax Ordinance was enacted. The Transit System Sales Surtax was approved by a majority of the County's electorate at a special election held on November 5, 2002. The County has imposed the Transit System Sales Surtax on all transactions occurring in the County that are subject to the State tax imposed on sales, use, services, rentals, admissions, and other transactions pursuant to Chapter 212, Florida Statutes.

### **Collection and Funds**

The Florida Department of Revenue (the "Department") administers, collects and enforces the Transit System Sales Surtax. The proceeds of the Transit System Sales Surtax are transferred by the Department into a separate account established for the County in the Discretionary Sales Surtax Clearing Trust Fund. The Department distributes the proceeds of the Transit System Sales Surtax less the cost of administration (the "Net Transit System Sales Surtax Proceeds") to the County each month.

Pursuant to the Transit System Sales Surtax Ordinance, the Net Transit System Sales Surtax Proceeds are deposited into a special fund set aside from other County funds in the custody of the Finance Director (the "Transit System Sales Surtax Trust Fund"). Twenty percent of the Net Transit System Sales Surtax Proceeds (the "Cities' Distribution") are distributed annually by the County to each city existing within the County as of November 5, 2002, so long as each such city (i) continues to provide the same level of general fund support for transportation in subsequent fiscal years that is in each such city's fiscal year 2001-2002 budget; (ii) uses the Net Transit System Sales Surtax Proceeds to supplement rather than replace each such city's general fund support for transportation; and (iii) applies 20% of any Net Transit System Sales Surtax Proceeds received from the County to transit uses in the nature of circulator buses, bus shelters, bus pullout bays or other transit-related infrastructure (or, alternatively, contracts with the County for the County to apply such Net Transit System Sales Surtax Proceeds to a County project that enhances traffic mobility within the city and immediately adjacent areas).

The Net Transit System Sales Surtax Proceeds less the Cities' Distribution or the "Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues", along with Hedge Receipts and all other moneys and investments (and interest earnings) on deposit to the funds and accounts established under, or pursuant to, the Master Ordinance, are used, among other things, to pay debt service on the Bonds. See "SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2008 BONDS – Flow of Funds."

## Historical Collections

The following table sets forth historical collections of Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues from Fiscal Years 2003 through 2007 and first quarter collections for Fiscal Year 2008:

### HISTORICAL COLLECTION OF PLEGDED TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX REVENUES<sup>(1, 2)</sup>

| Fiscal Year<br>2002-2003 | Fiscal Year<br>2003-2004 | Fiscal Year<br>2004-2005 | Fiscal Year<br>2005-2006 | Fiscal Year<br>2006-2007 |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| \$ 105,273,940           | \$ 161,307,471           | \$ 169,932,719           | \$ 189,517,617           | \$ 191,330,659           |

Source: Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust

(1) Collections are net of the Department's 3% administrative fee and 20% Cities' Distribution.

(2) Reflects accrual method of accounting.

## THE TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX PROGRAM

### The Transportation Plan

Pursuant to the Transit System Sales Surtax Ordinance, and subject to the limitations contained therein, including the Cities' Distribution, the County is authorized to use Net Transit System Sales Surtax Proceeds for: (i) bus service improvements (including, an increase in the bus fleet, an increase in the service miles, an increase in the operating hours, the utilization of minibuses on all new bus routes and in neighborhood/municipal circulator shuttle service, construction of bus pull-out bays on major street to expedite traffic flow and expansion of the bus shelter program throughout the County), (ii) rapid transit improvements through the construction of up to 88.9-miles of Countywide rapid transit lines, (iii) major highway and road improvements (including, upgrade of the County's traffic signalization system), and (iv) neighborhood improvements (including modification of intersections, resurfacing of local and arterial roads, installation or repair of guardrails, installation of school flashing signals and enhancement of greenways and bikeways).

Miami-Dade Transit (the "Transit Department"), a department of the County, has developed a transportation plan based on the projects generally described in clauses (i) through (iv) of the preceding paragraph, which will take approximately thirty years to complete at a cost of over \$5 billion (the "People's Transportation Plan"). The individual projects may be financed from the Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues not needed to pay debt service on any Bonds, Hedge Obligations, First Lien Obligations and subordinate obligations ("Available Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues") and/or from proceeds of Bonds such as the Series 2008 Bonds secured by the Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues. In addition to other revenues of the Transit Department, the cost of operating and maintaining each project may be funded from Available Transit System Sale Surtax Revenues.

### Series 2008 Transit System Sales Surtax Projects

The County expects to use proceeds of the Series 2008 Bonds to fund the following projects that are included in the People's Transportation Plan (the "Series 2008 Transit System Sales Surtax Projects"):

| <u>Series 2008 Transit System Sales Surtax Projects</u>                 | <u>Estimated Allocation<sup>(1)</sup></u> |
|---|---|
| - Bus And Rail Facility Improvements                                    | \$  |
| - Fare Collection System Replacement                                    | \$  |
| - Mover Vehicle Replacement And Rail Vehicle Rehabilitation/Replacement | \$  |
| - Rapid Transit Corridor Improvements                                   | \$  |
| - Major Highway And Road Improvements                                   | \$  |
| - Neighborhood Improvements   | \$  |
| <b>Total:</b>   | <b>\$</b>                                 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents deposit to the Series 2008 Construction Account.

The allocation of the Series 2008 Bonds to the foregoing Series 2008 Transit System Sales Surtax Projects may be changed subject to approval of the County Manager, provided that any new or substitute projects are Transit System Sales Surtax Projects the costs of which are eligible to be paid from proceeds of the Series 2008 Bonds.

#### **Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust**

Pursuant to Ordinance No. 02-117, enacted by the Board on July 9, 2002, the Board created the Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust (the "Transportation Trust"), which has 15 members consisting of 13 members appointed from the 13 respective County Commission Districts, 1 member appointed by the Mayor and 1 member appointed by the Miami-Dade League of Cities. The Transportation Trust has, among other things, two principal functions. First, the Transportation Trust is responsible for approving individual projects that are part of the People's Transportation Plan ("Qualified Projects") for funding either from Available Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues or from the proceeds of Bonds such as the Series 2008 Bonds. Second, under the Transit System Sales Surtax Ordinance, the Transportation Trust is required to review (i) any proposed deletions or material changes to any of the transportation and transit projects included in the People's Transportation Plan and (ii) any proposed additions to the People's Transportation Plan. The Transportation Trust must submit a recommendation to the Board with respect to such deletions, material changes or additions. If the Board rejects the initial recommendation of the Transportation Trust, the matter must be referred back to the Transportation Trust for reconsideration and the issuance of a reconsidered recommendation. A two-thirds vote of the Board is required to change or reject the Transportation Trust's reconsidered recommendation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the transportation and transit projects included in the People's Transportation Plan may be changed as a result of the Metropolitan Planning Organization process as mandated by federal and state law.

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**SERIES 2008 BONDS ESTIMATED SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS**

The following table sets forth the estimated sources and uses of funds:

**Sources of Funds**

|   |    |
|---|----|
| Principal Amount of the Series 2008 Bonds ..... | \$ |
| Plus: Net Original Issue Premium .....          | —  |
| Total Sources .....                             | \$ |

**Uses of Funds**

|  |    |
|--|----|
| Deposits to Construction Fund  |    |
| Series 2008 Transit Subaccount.....  | \$ |
| Series 2008 Public Works Subaccount .....  |    |
| Series 2008 Cost of Issuance Account <sup>(1)</sup> .....                              |    |
| Deposit to Reserve Account .....   |    |
| [Deposit to the Sunshine State Governmental<br>Commission Loan Refunding Account]..... |    |
| Underwriters' Discount .....   |    |
| Total Uses.....  | \$ |

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes fees of Bond Counsel, Disclosure Counsel, Financial Advisor and other costs of issuing the Series 2008 Bonds.

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## DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

The following table indicates the annual debt service requirements on the Series 2006 Bonds and Series 2008 Bonds.

| Fiscal Year Ending<br>September 30, | Series 2006 Bonds<br>Debt Service | Series 2008 Bonds |          | Total<br>Debt Service |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|----------|-----------------------|
|                                     |                                   | Principal         | Interest |                       |
| 2008                                | \$12,042,887                      | \$                | \$       | \$                    |
| 2009                                | 12,044,137                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2010                                | 12,042,887                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2011                                | 12,043,887                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2012                                | 12,041,637                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2013                                | 12,045,887                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2014                                | 12,045,887                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2015                                | 12,041,387                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2016                                | 12,042,137                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2017                                | 12,042,387                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2018                                | 12,042,788                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2019                                | 12,042,788                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2020                                | 12,040,788                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2021                                | 12,041,288                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2022                                | 12,043,537                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2023                                | 12,041,788                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2024                                | 12,045,537                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2025                                | 12,043,788                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2026                                | 12,041,037                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2027                                | 12,041,537                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2028                                | 12,041,513                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2029                                | 12,042,513                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2030                                | 12,044,013                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2031                                | 12,045,013                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2032                                | 12,044,513                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2033                                | 12,041,513                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2034                                | 12,045,013                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2035                                | 12,043,513                        |                   |          |                       |
| 2036                                | <u>12,041,013</u>                 |                   |          |                       |
| <b>Total</b>                        | <b><u>\$349,246,613.00</u></b>    |                   |          |                       |

## INVESTMENT POLICY

Pursuant to Florida Statutes, Section 218.45, which requires a written investment policy by the Board, the County adopted an investment policy (the "Policy") which applies to all funds held by or for the benefit of the Board in excess of those required to meet short-term expenses, except for proceeds of bond issues (including the Series 2008 Bonds) which are specifically exempted by Board ordinance or resolution.

The primary objectives of the Policy, listed in order of importance are:

1. the safety of principal;
2. the liquidity of funds; and
3. the maximization of investment income.

The Policy limits the securities eligible for inclusion in the County's portfolio to a maximum maturity of five (5) years. The Policy allows investments in repurchase agreements with a maximum length to maturity of fourteen (14) days from the date of purchase; the collateral shall be "marked to market" as needed.

To enhance safety, the Policy requires the diversification of the portfolio to control the risk of loss resulting from over-concentration of assets in a specific maturity, issuer, instrument, dealer, or bank through which the instruments are bought and sold. The Policy also requires the monthly performance reports to be presented to the County Clerk and to the County's Finance Director, quarterly performance reports to be submitted to the Investment Advisory Committee and an annual report to be presented to the Board within 120 days of the end of the Fiscal Year.

The Policy may be modified by the Board as it deems appropriate to meet the needs of the County.

## LITIGATION

There is no litigation pending or, to the knowledge of the County, threatened, seeking to restrain or enjoin the issuance or delivery of the Series 2008 Bonds or questioning or affecting the validity of the Series 2008 Bonds or the proceedings and authority under which they are to be issued. Neither the creation, organization or existence of the Board, nor the title of the present members or other officers of the Board to their respective offices is being contested.

## ENFORCEABILITY OF REMEDIES

The remedies available to the owners of the Series 2008 Bonds upon an Event of Default under the Bond Ordinance are in many respects dependent upon regulatory and judicial actions that are often subject to discretion and delay. Under existing laws and judicial decisions, the remedies provided for under the Bond Ordinance may not be readily available or may be limited. The various legal opinions to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Series 2008 Bonds will be qualified to the extent that the enforceability of certain legal rights related to the Series 2008 Bonds is subject to various limitations including those imposed by bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency or other similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and by equitable remedies and proceedings generally.

## TAX MATTERS

### General

In the opinion of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. and KnoxSeaton, Bond Counsel, under existing law: (i) interest on the Series 2008 Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Code, and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals and corporations; and (ii) the Series 2008 Bonds and the income thereon are exempt from taxation under the laws of the State of Florida, except estate taxes imposed by Chapter 198, Florida Statutes, as amended, and net income and franchise taxes imposed by Chapter 220, Florida Statutes, as amended. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to any other tax consequences regarding the Series 2008 Bonds.

The opinion on tax matters will be based on and will assume the accuracy of certain representations and certifications, and continuing compliance with certain covenants, of the County contained in the transcript of proceedings and that are intended to evidence and assure the foregoing, including that the Series 2008 Bonds are and will remain obligations the interest on which is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Bond Counsel will not independently verify the accuracy of the County's certifications and representations or the continuing compliance with the County's covenants.

The opinion of Bond Counsel is based on current legal authority and covers certain matters not directly addressed by such authority. It represents Bond Counsel's legal judgment as to exclusion of interest on the Series 2008 Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes but is not a guaranty of that conclusion. The opinion is not binding on the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") or any court. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion about (i) the effect of future changes in the Code and the applicable regulations under the Code or (ii) the interpretation and the enforcement of the Code or those regulations by the IRS.

The Code prescribes a number of qualifications and conditions for the interest on state and local government obligations to be and to remain excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, some of which require future or continued compliance after issuance of the obligations. Noncompliance with these requirements by the County may cause loss of such status and result in the interest on the Series 2008 Bonds being included in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactively to the date of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds. The County has covenanted to take the actions required of it for the interest on the Series 2008 Bonds to be and to remain excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and not to take any actions that would adversely affect that exclusion. After the date of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds, Bond Counsel will not undertake to determine (or to so inform any person) whether any actions taken or not taken, or any events occurring or not occurring, or any other matters coming to Bond Counsel's attention, may adversely affect the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Series 2008 Bonds or the market prices of the Series 2008 Bonds.

A portion of the interest on the Series 2008 Bonds earned by certain corporations may be subject to a federal corporate alternative minimum tax. In addition, interest on the Series 2008 Bonds may be subject to a federal branch profits tax imposed on certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States and to a federal tax imposed on excess net passive income of certain S corporations. Under the Code, the exclusion of interest from gross income for federal income tax purposes may have certain adverse federal income tax consequences on items of income, deduction or credit for certain taxpayers, including financial institutions, certain insurance companies, recipients of Social Security and Railroad Retirement benefits, those that are deemed to incur or continue indebtedness to acquire or carry tax-exempt obligations, and individuals otherwise eligible for the earned income tax credit. The applicability and extent of these and other tax consequences will depend upon the particular tax status or other tax items of the owner of the Series 2008 Bonds. Bond Counsel will express no opinion regarding those consequences.

Payments of interest on tax-exempt obligations, including the Series 2008 Bonds, are generally subject to IRS Form 1099-INT information reporting requirements. If a Series 2008 Bond owner is subject to backup withholding under those requirements, then payments of interest will also be subject to backup withholding. Those requirements do not affect the exclusion of such interest from gross income for federal income tax purposes.

Legislation affecting tax-exempt obligations is regularly considered by the United States Congress. There can be no assurance that legislation enacted or proposed, or clarification of the Code, after the date of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds, will not have an adverse effect on the tax status of interest on the Series 2008 Bonds or the market prices of the Series 2008 Bonds.

Prospective purchasers of the Series 2008 Bonds should consult their own tax advisers regarding pending or proposed federal tax legislation, and prospective purchasers of the Series 2008 Bonds at other than their original issuance at the respective prices indicated on the cover of this Official Statement should also consult their own tax advisers regarding other tax considerations such as the consequences of market discount, as to all of which Bond Counsel expresses no opinion.

Bond Counsel's engagement with respect to the Series 2008 Bonds ends with the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds, and, unless separately engaged, Bond Counsel is not obligated to defend the County or the beneficial owners regarding the tax status of interest on the Series 2008 Bonds in the event of an audit examination by the IRS. The IRS has a program to audit tax-exempt obligations to determine whether the interest thereon is includible in gross income for federal income tax purposes. If the IRS does audit the Series 2008 Bonds, under current IRS procedures, the IRS will treat the County as the taxpayer and the beneficial owners of the Series 2008 Bonds will have only limited rights, if any, to obtain and participate in judicial review of such audit. Any action of the IRS, including but not limited to selection of the Series 2008 Bonds for audit, or the course or result of such audit, or an audit of other obligations presenting similar tax issues, may affect the market prices for the Series 2008 Bonds.

### **Original Issue Discount and Original Issue Premium**

Certain of the Series 2008 Bonds ("Discount Bonds") as indicated on the cover of this Official Statement were offered and sold to the public at an original issue discount ("OID"). OID is the excess of the stated redemption price at maturity (the principal amount) over the "issue price" of a Discount Bond. The issue price of a Discount Bond is the initial offering price to the public (other than to bond houses, brokers or similar persons acting in the capacity of underwriters or wholesalers) at which a substantial amount of the Discount Bonds of the same maturity is sold pursuant to that offering. For federal income tax purposes, OID accrues to the owner of a Discount Bond over the period to maturity based on the constant yield method, compounded semiannually (or over a shorter permitted compounding interval selected by the owner). The portion of OID that accrues during the period of ownership of a Discount Bond (i) is interest excluded from the owner's gross income for federal income tax purposes to the same extent, and subject to the same considerations discussed above, as other interest on the Series 2008 Bonds, and (ii) is added to the owner's tax basis for purposes of determining gain or loss on the maturity, redemption, prior sale or other disposition of that Discount Bond. A purchaser of a Discount Bond in the initial public offering at the price for that Discount Bond stated on the cover of this Official Statement who holds that Discount Bond to maturity will realize no gain or loss upon the retirement of that Discount Bond.

Certain of the Series 2008 Bonds ("Premium Bonds") as indicated on the cover of this Official Statement were offered and sold to the public at a price in excess of their stated redemption price (the principal amount) at maturity. That excess constitutes bond premium. For federal income tax purposes, bond premium is amortized over the period to maturity of a Premium Bond, based on the yield to maturity of that Premium Bond (or, in the case of a Premium Bond callable prior to its stated maturity, the amortization period and yield may be required to be determined on the basis of an earlier call date that results in the lowest yield on that Premium Bond), compounded semiannually. No portion of that bond premium is deductible by the owner of a Premium Bond. For purposes of determining the owner's gain or loss on the sale, redemption (including redemption at maturity) or other disposition of a Premium Bond, the owner's tax basis in the Premium Bond is reduced by the amount of bond premium that accrues during the period of ownership. As a result, an owner may realize taxable gain for federal income tax purposes from the sale or other disposition of a Premium Bond for an amount equal to or less than the amount paid by the owner for that Premium Bond. A purchaser of a Premium Bond in the initial public offering at the price for that Premium Bond stated on the cover of this Official Statement who holds that Premium Bond to maturity (or, in the case of a callable Premium Bond, to its earlier call date that results in the lowest yield on that Premium Bond) will realize no gain or loss upon the retirement of that Premium Bond.

Owners of Discount and Premium Bonds should consult their own tax advisers as to the determination for federal income tax purposes of the amount of OID or bond premium properly accruable in any period with respect to the Discount or Premium Bonds and as to other federal tax consequences and the treatment of OID and bond premium for purposes of state and local taxes on, or based on, income.

### FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Public Resources Advisory Group, St. Petersburg, Florida, is serving as financial advisor to the County (the "Financial Advisor"). The Financial Advisor assisted in the preparation of this Official Statement and in other matters relating to the planning, structuring, and issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds and provided other advice to the County. The Financial Advisor will not engage in any underwriting activities with regard to the issuance and sale of the Series 2008 Bonds. The Financial Advisor is not obligated to undertake and has not undertaken an independent verification or to assume responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or fairness of the information contained in the Official Statement and is not obligated to review or ensure compliance with the undertaking by the County to provide secondary market disclosure..

### UNDERWRITING

The Series 2008 Bonds have been sold by public sale in a competitive bid and are being purchased by \_\_\_\_\_, as successful bidder and the representative of the syndicate listed in the successful bid for the Series 2008 Bonds pursuant to the Official Notice of Sale (collectively, the "Underwriters"). The Underwriters have submitted a winning bid to purchase the Series 2008 Bonds at an aggregate purchase price of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (representing the principal amount of the Series 2008 Bonds plus net original issue premium of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, and less Underwriters' discount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_).

The Underwriters will purchase all of the Series 2008 Bonds, if any are purchased. The prices or yields set forth on the cover of this Official Statement, which reflect the initial public offering prices of the Series 2008 Bonds, may be changed by the Underwriters and the Underwriters may offer and sell the Series 2008 Bonds to certain dealers (including dealers depositing the Series 2008 Bonds into investments trusts) and others at yields higher than the yields set forth on the cover of this Official Statement.

### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The County's Audited Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ended September 30, 2006 included in this Official Statement as APPENDIX C, has been audited by KPMG LLP, independent auditors, as stated in their report dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2008. The Pledged Transit System Sales Surtax Revenues are identified in the County's Audited Annual Financial Report under Special Revenue Funds as "People's Transportation Fund." KPMG has not been engaged to perform and has not performed, since the date of their report, any procedures on the audited financial statements in that report. KPMG LLP also has not performed any procedures relating to this Official Statement.

The County's Unaudited Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ended September 30, 2007 is also included in this Official Statement as APPENDIX C. The County estimates that its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ended September 30, 2007 will be available within [ ] days from the date of this Official Statement. Copies of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report may be obtained from the following website[s]: \_\_\_\_\_.

## RATINGS

Standard & Poor's Ratings Services ("S&P"), Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's") and Fitch Ratings ("Fitch") have assigned ratings of "\_\_\_," "\_\_\_" and "\_\_\_," respectively, to the Series 2008 Bonds. The ratings reflect only the views of such organizations and any desired explanation of the significance of such ratings should be obtained from the rating agency furnishing the same. Generally, a rating agency bases its rating on the information and materials furnished to it and on investigations, studies and assumptions of their own. There is no assurance such ratings will continue for any given period of time or that such ratings will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by the rating agencies, if in the judgment of such rating agencies, circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision or withdrawal of such ratings may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Series 2008 Bonds.

## CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

The County has agreed, in accordance with the provisions of, and to the degree necessary to comply with, the secondary disclosure requirements of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, to provide or cause to be provided for the benefit of the Beneficial Owners of the Series 2008 Bonds to each nationally recognized municipal securities information repository, and to the appropriate State Information Depository, if any, designated by the State of Florida, the information set forth in the Series 2008 Resolution, commencing with the Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2008.

The County has reserved the right to modify from time to time the specific types of information provided or the format of the presentation of such information, to the extent necessary or appropriate in the judgment of the County; provided that the County has agreed that any modification will be done in a manner consistent with the Rule. *See* APPENDIX B – "MASTER ORDINANCE AND SERIES 2008 RESOLUTION." The County has not failed to comply with any prior agreements to provide continuing disclosure information pursuant to Rule 15c2-12.

## LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters incident to the authorization, issuance and sale of the Series 2008 Bonds, including their legality and enforceability and the exclusion of interest on the Series 2008 Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes, are subject to the approval of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P., Miami, Florida, and KnoxSeaton, Miami, Florida, Bond Counsel, copies of whose legal opinions will be delivered with the Series 2008 Bonds. Certain other legal matters will be passed upon for the County by the Office of the Miami-Dade County Attorney. Certain legal matters relating to disclosure will be passed upon for the County by Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge LLP, West Palm Beach, Florida and Rasco, Reininger, Perez, Esquenazi & Vigil, PL, Coral Gables, Florida, Disclosure Counsel.

The proposed text of the legal opinion of Bond Counsel is set forth as APPENDIX D to this Official Statement. The proposed text of the legal opinion to be delivered to the Underwriters by Disclosure Counsel is set forth as APPENDIX E to this Official Statement. The actual legal opinions to be delivered may vary from the text of APPENDIX D or APPENDIX E, as the case may be, if necessary, to reflect facts and law on the date of delivery of the Series 2008 Bonds.

The legal opinions of Bond Counsel, Disclosure Counsel and the Office of the Miami-Dade County Attorney are based on existing law, which is subject to change. Such legal opinions are further based on factual representations made to Bond Counsel, Disclosure Counsel and the Office of the Miami-Dade County Attorney as of the date thereof. Bond Counsel, Disclosure Counsel and the Office of the Miami-Dade County Attorney assume no duty to update or supplement their respective opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances, including changes in law, that may thereafter occur or become effective.

The legal opinions to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Series 2008 Bonds express the professional judgment of the attorneys rendering the opinions regarding the legal issues expressly addressed therein. By rendering a legal opinion, the opinion giver does not become an insurer or guarantor of the result indicated by that expression of professional judgment, of the transaction on which the opinion is rendered, or of the future performance of parties to the transaction. Nor does the rendering of an opinion guarantee the outcome of any legal dispute that may arise out of the transaction.

### **DISCLOSURE REQUIRED BY FLORIDA BLUE SKY REGULATIONS**

Florida law requires the County to make a full and fair disclosure of any bonds or other debt obligations which it has issued or guaranteed and which are or have been in default as to principal or interest at any time after December 31, 1975 (including bonds or other debt obligations for which it has served as a conduit issuer). Florida law further provides, however, that if the County in good faith believes that such disclosures would not be considered material by a reasonable investor, such disclosures may be omitted. The County is not and has not been in default as to principal and interest on bonds or other debt obligations which it has issued as the principal obligor or guarantor.

There are several special purpose governmental authorities of the County that serve as conduit issuers of private activity bonds for purposes such as housing, industrial development and health care. Defaults have occurred in connection with some of those private activity bonds; however, such defaults affect only the defaulted issues and have no effect on the payment of the Series 2008 Bonds. The County has no obligation to pay such bonds and the conduit issuers had only a limited obligation to pay such bonds from the payments made by the underlying obligors with respect to such issues. Therefore, the County in good faith believes that defaults relating to conduit issuers are not material with regard to the Series 2008 Bonds and any disclosure concerning any defaults of conduit financings is not necessary.

### **CERTIFICATE CONCERNING THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

Concurrently with the delivery of the Series 2008 Bonds, the County will furnish its certificate, executed by the County's Finance Director to the effect that, to the best of her knowledge, this Official Statement, as of its date and as of the date of delivery of the Series 2008 Bonds, does not contain any untrue statement of material fact and does not omit any material fact that should be included herein for the purpose for which the Official Statement is to be used, or which is necessary to make the statements contained herein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

References to the Bond Ordinance and certain other contracts, agreements and other materials not purporting to be quoted in full are brief outlines of certain provisions and do not purport to summarize or describe all the provisions of such documents. Reference is hereby made to such documents and other materials for the complete provisions, copies of which will be furnished by the County upon written request.

Any statements in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion, whether or not expressly so stated, are intended as such and not as representations of fact. Statements in this Official Statement, while not guaranteed, are based upon information which the County believes to be reliable.

The delivery of this Official Statement by the County has been duly authorized by the Board.

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**APPENDIX A**

**General Information relative to  
Miami-Dade County, Florida**

## GENERAL INFORMATION RELATIVE TO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

### Economy

The County's economy has transitioned from mixed service and industrial in the 1970s to a service economy. The shift to services is led by expansion of international trade, the tourism industry, and health services. Wholesale and retail trade have become stronger economic forces in the local economy, and are projected to continue. This reflects the County's position as a wholesale center in Southeast Florida, serving a large international market. The tourism industry remains one of the largest sectors of the local economy.

In an effort to further strengthen and diversify the County's economic base, the County commissioned a private consulting firm in 1984 to identify goals and objectives for various public and private entities. The Beacon Council was established as a public private partnership to promote these goals and objectives.

### International Commerce

The Greater Miami Area is the center for international commerce for the southeastern United States. Its proximity to the Caribbean, Mexico, Central and South America makes it a natural center for trade to and from North America. Approximately, 1,200 multinational corporations are established in South Florida. In addition, the international background of many of its residents is an important labor force characteristic for multinational companies which operate across language and cultural differences.

Trade with Latin America, Europe and Caribbean countries has generated substantial growth in the number of financial institutions conducting business in the County. The large Spanish-speaking labor force and the County's proximity to Latin America have also contributed to the growth of the banking industry in the County. According to the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, as of September 30, 2007, there were 12 Edge Act Banks throughout the United States; five of those institutions were located in the County with over \$10.8 billion on deposit. Edge Act Banks are federally chartered organizations offering a wide range of banking services, but limited to international transactions only. These banking institutions are: American Express Bank International; Bancafe International; Banco Itau Europa International, Banco Santander International; and HSBC Private Bank International.

The County had the highest concentration of international bank agencies on the east coast south of New York City, with a total of 31 foreign chartered banks and over \$14.9 billion on deposit as of September 30, 2007, according to the Florida Department of Financial Services, Office of Financial Regulations.

### Corporate Expansion

The favorable geographic location of the County, a well-trained labor force and the favorable transportation infrastructure have allowed the economic base of the County to expand by attracting many national and international firms doing business with Latin America, the Caribbean, the United States and the rest of the world. Among these corporations are: Carnival Cruise Lines, Elizabeth Arden, Federal Express Corporation, Kraft Foods International, Parfums Christian Dior, Porsche Latin America, Telefonica, AIG, and Caterpillar.

Significant strides have been made in attracting knowledge-based companies to the County. Some of the national firms with established international operations located in the County are: ASTAR Air Cargo, Burger King, Ryder System, Lennar, Oracle Corporation, The Gap, Starboard Cruise Services and the William Morris Agency.

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## **Industrial Development**

The role of the Miami-Dade County Industrial Development Authority (the "IDA") is the development and management of the tax-exempt industrial development revenue bond program which serves as a financial incentive to support private sector business and industry expansion and location. Programs developed are consistent with the IDA's legal status and compatible with the economic development goals established by the Board and other economic development organizations operating in the County.

Between 1979 and the creation of the Beacon Council in 1986, the IDA provided expansion and location assistance to 195 private sector businesses, accounting for a capital investment of \$695 million and the creation of over 11,286 new jobs.

The IDA's principal program, the Tax-Exempt Industrial Development Revenue Bond Program, has generated 424 applications through December 2007. From 1986 to January 2008, bonds for 211 company projects have been issued in an aggregate principal amount in excess of \$1.4 billion. Approximately 9,357 new jobs have been generated by these projects. The IDA continues to manage approximately 54 outstanding Industrial Development Revenue Bond Issues, approximating \$775 million in capital investment.

## **Other Developmental Activities**

In October 1979, the Miami-Dade County Health Facilities Authority (the "Health Authority") was formed to assist local not-for-profit health care corporations to acquire, construct, improve or refinance health care projects located in the County through the issuance of tax-exempt bonds or notes. Since its inception, the Health Authority has issued 24 series of revenue bonds for 17 projects and 17 refundings. As of September 2007, the total amount of revenue bonds issued by the Health Authority is over \$1.9 billion.

In October 1969, the Board created the Miami-Dade County Educational Facilities Authority (the "EFA") to assist institutions of higher learning within the County to have an additional means to finance facilities and structures needed to maintain and expand learning opportunities and intellectual development. As of September 2007, the EFA had issued 39 series of revenue bonds for 27 projects and 24 refundings, totaling over \$1.4 billion.

In December 1978, the Housing Finance Authority of Miami-Dade County (Florida) (the "HFA") was formed to issue bonds to provide the HFA with moneys to purchase mortgage loans secured by mortgages on single family residential real property owned by low and moderate income persons residing in the County.

As of September 2007, under the HFA's Multi-Family Mortgage Revenue Bond Program, revenue bonds aggregating approximately \$917 million had been issued for new construction or rehabilitation of 16,752 units.

The bonds issued by the foregoing authorities and the IDA are not debts or obligations of the County or the State or any political subdivision thereof, but are payable solely from the revenues provided by the respective private activity borrower as security therefor.

## **Film Industry**

Miami-Dade County's film and entertainment industry experienced a strong surge in 2007, with location filming revenues up 20% over the previous year to more than \$153 million. Television remains the strongest production sector, with USA Networks' "Burn Notice" filming its 13 episodes season entirely in South Florida, added to recurring production from "CSI: Miami", numerous reality series like "Hogan Knows Best" and "Miami Ink" and the very active Spanish language television business. Spanish language telenovelas

and other formats contributed more than \$50 million to the total industry economic impact in 2007. In addition, Spanish language commercial productions were heavily represented among the more than 180 commercials shot in Miami-Dade County last year, contributing another \$23 million to the bottom line. In all, nearly 2,000 productions shot on location in Miami-Dade County in 2007.

### **Surface Transportation**

The County owns and operates through its Transit Agency (a County department), a unified multi-modal public transportation system. Operating in a fully integrated configuration, the County's Transit Agency provides public transportation services through: (i) Metrorail - a 22.4-mile, 22-station elevated electric rail line connecting South Miami-Dade and the City of Hialeah with the Downtown and Civic Center areas, providing 17.5 million passenger trips annually; (ii) Metromover - a fully automated, driverless, 4.4-mile elevated electric double-loop people-mover system interfaced with Metrorail and completing approximately 8.6 million passenger trips annually throughout 20 stations in the central business district and south to the Brickell international banking area and north to the Omni area; and (iii) Metrobus, including both directly operated and contracted conventional urban bus service, operating over 35.6 million miles per year, interconnecting with all Metrorail stations and key Metromover stations, and providing over 111 million passenger trips annually.

The County also provides para-transit service to qualified elderly and handicapped riders through its Special Transportation Service, which supplies over 1.6 million passenger trips per year in a demand-response environment.

Additionally, the County's Transit Agency is operating the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) on the South Miami-Dade Busway, a dedicated-use BRT corridor that runs parallel to US1/South Dixie Highway. Service commenced in 1997 and was extended from North Kendall Drive/SW 88<sup>th</sup> Street to SW 264<sup>th</sup> Street. A final segment is currently under construction. Upon completion, the South Miami-Dade Busway will traverse over twenty miles, connecting Florida City (SW 344<sup>th</sup> Street) with the Metrorail system, with connection to downtown Miami.

### **Airport**

The County owns and operates the Miami International Airport (the "Airport"), the principal commercial airport serving Southeast Florida. The Airport has also the third highest international passenger traffic in the U.S. It is currently handling approximately 33,278,000 passengers and 2,099,000 tons of air freight annually and is classified by the Federal Aviation Administration as a large hub airport, the highest classification given by that organization. The Airport is also one of the principal maintenance and overhaul bases, as well as a principal training center, for the airline industry in the United States, Central and South America, and the Caribbean.

A five year summary of the passengers served and cargo handled by the Airport is shown below.

**Passengers and Cargo Handled by Airport  
2003-2007**

| <u>Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Passengers<br/>(in thousands)</u> | <u>Cargo Tonnage<br/>(in millions)</u> | <u>Total Landed Weight<br/>(millions lbs.)</u> |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 2003               | 29,532                               | 1.77                                   | 31,610   |
| 2004               | 30,244                               | 1.94                                   | 31,900   |
| 2005               | 30,912                               | 1.96                                   | 31,148   |
| 2006               | 32,094                               | 1.97                                   | 30,735   |
| 2007               | 33,278                               | 2.10                                   | 31,420   |

Source: Miami-Dade County Aviation Department

**Seaport**

The Port is an island port, which covers 640 acres of land, operated by the Seaport Department. It is the world's largest multi-day cruise port. Embarkations and debarkations on cruise ships totaled over 3.7 million passengers for Fiscal Year 2007. With the increase in activity from the Far-East markets and South and Central America, cargo tonnage transiting the Port amounted to approximately 7.8 million tons for Fiscal Year 2007.

The following table sets forth a five-year summary of both cruise passengers served and cargo handled:

**Passengers and Cargo Handled by Port  
2003-2007**

| <u>Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Cruise Passengers<br/>(in thousands)</u> | <u>Cargo Tonnage<br/>(in millions)</u> |
|--------------------|---|--|
| 2003               | 3,961                                       | 9.00                                   |
| 2004               | 3,500                                       | 9.23                                   |
| 2005               | 3,605                                       | 9.47                                   |
| 2006               | 3,731                                       | 8.65                                   |
| 2007               | 3,787                                       | 7.83                                   |

Source: Miami-Dade County Seaport Department

**Tourism**

The Greater Miami Area is a leading center for tourism in the State. Miami was the primary destination for domestic air travelers after Orlando according to the Florida Division of Tourism of the Department of Commerce. It is also the principal port of entry in the State for international air travelers. During 2006, approximately 85% of international air travelers (excluding travelers from Canada) entering the State arrived through the Airport. The Airport has the third highest international passenger traffic behind New York's John F. Kennedy International and Los Angeles International Airports.

The visitors market in the County is shifting away from the traditional tourist market to a "convention group market." This is reflected in the expansion and renovation of lodging facilities as well as in the marketing efforts of South Florida hoteliers. The City of Miami Beach, with the assistance of the County, is

expanding and remodeling the Miami Beach Convention Center, the largest existing convention center in the County, from 250,000 to 500,000 square feet of exhibition space. The convention group market is generally less sensitive to fluctuations in disposable personal income.

The following is a five-year schedule of domestic and international visitors, including a further breakdown of international visitors by region of origin, and the estimated economic impact produced by those visitors:

**Tourism Statistics  
2002-2006**

|      | Visitors<br>(in thousands) |              |              | Estimated Economic Impact<br>(in millions) |              |              |
|------|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|--|--------------|--------------|
|      | <u>Domestic</u>            | <u>Int'l</u> | <u>Total</u> | <u>Domestic</u>                            | <u>Int'l</u> | <u>Total</u> |
| 2002 | 5,316                      | 4,915        | 10,231       | \$ 6,298                                   | \$ 5,613     | \$ 11,911    |
| 2003 | 5,536                      | 4,909        | 10,445       | 5,633                                      | 4,207        | 9,840        |
| 2004 | 5,700                      | 5,262        | 10,962       | 6,423                                      | 6,034        | 12,457       |
| 2005 | 6,053                      | 5,249        | 11,302       | 7,252                                      | 6,683        | 13,935       |
| 2006 | 6,263                      | 5,322        | 11,585       | 7,688                                      | 9,108        | 16,796       |

**International Visitors by Region  
2002-2006  
(in thousands)**

| <u>Year</u> | <u>European</u> | <u>Caribbean</u> | <u>Latin American</u> | <u>Canada Japan/Other</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| 2002        | 1131            | 650              | 2461                  | 673                       | 4915         |
| 2003        | 1119            | 653              | 2455                  | 682                       | 4909         |
| 2004        | 1253            | 679              | 2641                  | 689                       | 5262         |
| 2005        | 1181            | 709              | 2661                  | 698                       | 5249         |
| 2006        | 1224            | 665              | 2778                  | 655                       | 5322         |

Source: Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau

**Employment**

The following table illustrates the economic diversity of the County's employment base. No single industry dominates the County's employment market, and there have not been any significant decreases within the industry classifications displayed for the latest years for which information is available:

**ESTIMATED EMPLOYMENT  
IN NON-AGRICULTURAL ESTABLISHMENTS  
2005-2007**

|   | Sept. 2005       | Percent     | Sept. 2006       | Percent     | Sept. 2007       | Percent     |
|---|------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|
| <b>Goods Producing Sector</b>                 |                  |             |                  |             |                  |             |
| Construction                                  | 43,400           | 4.1         | 48,300           | 4.6         | 54,400           | 5.1         |
| Manufacturing                                 | 49,600           | 4.7         | 46,900           | 4.4         | 46,900           | 4.4         |
| Mining & Natural Resources                    | 400              | 0           | 600              | 0.1         | 400              | 0           |
| <b>Total Goods-Producing Sector</b>           | <b>93,400</b>    | <b>8.8</b>  | <b>95,800</b>    | <b>9.1</b>  | <b>101,700</b>   | <b>9.5</b>  |
| <b>Service Providing Sector</b>               |                  |             |                  |             |                  |             |
| Transportation, Warehousing,<br>and Utilities | 61,300           | 5.9         | 61,500           | 5.8         | 60,900           | 5.7         |
| Wholesale Trade                               | 75,100           | 7.2         | 74,200           | 7.0         | 76,400           | 7.2         |
| Retail Trade                                  | 115,800          | 11.1        | 120,200          | 11.4        | 126,000          | 11.9        |
| Information                                   | 28,400           | 2.7         | 23,500           | 2.2         | 21,600           | 2.0         |
| Finance Activities                            | 69,900           | 6.7         | 74,900           | 7.1         | 76,400           | 7.2         |
| Professional and Business Services            | 163,400          | 15.6        | 170,900          | 16.2        | 154,800          | 14.6        |
| Education and Health Services                 | 137,700          | 13.2        | 138,000          | 13.0        | 145,200          | 13.7        |
| Leisure and Hospitality                       | 101,700          | 9.7         | 101,100          | 9.6         | 100,200          | 9.4         |
| Other Services                                | 45,400           | 4.3         | 42,900           | 4.1         | 42,300           | 4.0         |
| Government                                    | 154,400          | 14.8        | 154,700          | 14.6        | 155,800          | 14.7        |
| <b>Total Service Providing Sector</b>         | <b>953,100</b>   | <b>91.2</b> | <b>961,900</b>   | <b>90.9</b> | <b>959,600</b>   | <b>90.4</b> |
| <b>Total Non-Agricultural Employment</b>      | <b>1,046,500</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>1,057,700</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>1,061,300</b> | <b>100%</b> |

Source: Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation, Labor Market Statistics, Current Employment Statistics Program (in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics). Miami-Dade County, Department of Planning and Zoning, Research Section, 2007.

**County Demographics**

**Miami-Dade County  
Estimates of Population by Age  
2000 to 2030**

| <b>Age Group</b> | <b>2000</b>      | <b>2005</b>      | <b>2010</b>      | <b>2015</b>      | <b>2020</b>      | <b>2025</b>      | <b>2030</b>      |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Under 16         | 495,375          | 522,487          | 534,919          | 568,328          | 587,943          | 624,806          | 651,014          |
| 16-64            | 1,457,435        | 1,558,005        | 1,675,514        | 1,762,649        | 1,859,961        | 1,930,253        | 2,011,989        |
| 65 & Over        | 300,552          | 321,613          | 340,851          | 372,137          | 410,285          | 464,741          | 524,789          |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>2,253,362</b> | <b>2,402,105</b> | <b>2,551,284</b> | <b>2,703,114</b> | <b>2,858,189</b> | <b>3,019,800</b> | <b>3,187,792</b> |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Decennial Census Report for 2000. Projections provided by Miami-Dade County, Department of Planning and Zoning, Research Section, 2007.

**Trend and Forecasts, Population in  
Incorporated and Unincorporated Area  
1960-2015**

| <b>Year</b>             | <b>Population in<br/>Incorporated<br/>Areas</b> | <b>Population in<br/>Unincorporated<br/>Areas</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>Percentage<br/>Growth in<br/>Population</b> |
|-------------------------|---|---|--------------|--|
| <b><u>Trends:</u></b>   |   |   |              |  |
| 1960                    | 582,713   | 352,334   | 935,047      | N/A  |
| 1970                    | 730,425   | 537,367   | 1,267,792    | 36.5 %   |
| 1980                    | 829,881   | 795,900   | 1,625,781    | 28.2   |
| 1990                    | 909,371   | 1,027,723   | 1,937,094    | 19.1   |
| 1995                    | 973,912   | 1,110,293   | 2,084,205    | 7.6  |
| 2000                    | 1,049,074                                       | 1,204,288   | 2,253,362    | 8.1  |
| 2001                    | 1,078,455                                       | 1,204,864   | 2,283,319    | 1.3  |
| 2002                    | 1,080,909                                       | 1,222,138   | 2,303,047    | 1.3  |
| 2003                    | 1,100,442                                       | 1,242,297   | 2,342,739    | 1.3  |
| 2004                    | 1,265,077                                       | 1,107,341   | 2,372,418    | 1.3  |
| 2005                    | 1,331,520                                       | 1,070,585   | 2,402,105    | 1.3  |
| 2006                    | 1,347,228                                       | 1,084,591   | 2,431,819    | 1.2  |
| <b><u>Forecasts</u></b> |   |   |              |  |
| 2010                    | 1,410,641                                       | 1,140,643   | 2,551,284    | 6.1  |
| 2015                    | 1,494,626                                       | 1,208,488   | 2,703,114    | 6.0  |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Decennial Census Reports for 1960-2000. Projections provided by Miami-Dade County, Department of Planning and Zoning, Research Section 2007.

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**Miami-Dade County**  
**Population by Race and Ethnic Group<sup>(1)</sup>**  
**1970-2020**  
**(in thousands)**

| <u>Year</u>         | <u>Total<sup>(2)</sup></u> | <u>Hispanic<sup>(1)</sup></u> | <u>Black<sup>(1)</sup></u> | <u>Non-Hispanic Whites and Others</u> |
|---------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1970                | 1,268                      | 299                           | 190                        | 782                                   |
| 1975                | 1,462                      | 467                           | 237                        | 765                                   |
| 1980                | 1,626                      | 581                           | 284                        | 773                                   |
| 1985                | 1,771                      | 768                           | 367                        | 656                                   |
| 1990                | 1,967                      | 968                           | 409                        | 618                                   |
| 1995                | 2,084                      | 1,155                         | 446                        | 519                                   |
| 2000                | 2,253                      | 1,292                         | 457                        | 534                                   |
| 2005                | 2,402                      | 1,455                         | 461                        | 497                                   |
| 2010 <sup>(3)</sup> | 2,551                      | 1,621                         | 526                        | 442                                   |
| 2015 <sup>(3)</sup> | 2,703                      | 1,794                         | 554                        | 395                                   |
| 2020 <sup>(3)</sup> | 2,858                      | 1,972                         | 583                        | 347                                   |

(In Percentages)

|                     |      |     |     |     |
|---------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|
| 1970 <sup>(2)</sup> | 100% | 24% | 15% | 62% |
| 1975 <sup>(2)</sup> | 100  | 32  | 16  | 52  |
| 1980 <sup>(2)</sup> | 100  | 36  | 17  | 48  |
| 1985 <sup>(2)</sup> | 100  | 43  | 21  | 37  |
| 1990 <sup>(2)</sup> | 100  | 49  | 21  | 31  |
| 1995 <sup>(2)</sup> | 100  | 55  | 21  | 25  |
| 2000 <sup>(2)</sup> | 100  | 57  | 20  | 24  |
| 2005 <sup>(2)</sup> | 100  | 61  | 21  | 20  |
| 2010 <sup>(3)</sup> | 100  | 64  | 21  | 17  |
| 2015 <sup>(3)</sup> | 100  | 66  | 21  | 15  |
| 2020 <sup>(3)</sup> | 100  | 69  | 20  | 12  |

Notes:

- (1) Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race. Hispanic Blacks are counted as both Hispanic and Black. Other Non-Hispanics are grouped with Non-Hispanic White category. Sum of components exceeds total.
- (2) Numbers may not add due to rounding
- (3) Projections

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census of Population Reports for 1970-2000. Projections provided by Miami-Dade, Department of Planning and Zoning, Research Section 2007.

The following tables set forth the leading public and private County employers:

**Fifteen Largest Public Employers**

| <u>Employers' Name</u>                | <u>Employees</u> |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| Miami-Dade County Public Schools..... | 50,000           |
| Miami-Dade County.....                | 32,000           |
| U.S. Federal Government.....          | 19,800           |
| Florida State Government.....         | 16,200           |
| Jackson Health System.....            | 10,000           |
| Miami-Dade Community College.....     | 6,004            |
| City of Miami.....                    | 4,297            |
| Florida International University..... | 3,100            |
| VA Medical Center.....                | 2,300            |
| City of Miami Beach.....              | 1,980            |
| City of Hialeah.....                  | 1,800            |
| U.S. Coast Guard.....                 | 1,220            |
| U.S. Southern Command.....            | 1,200            |
| City of Coral Gables.....             | 895              |
| City of North Miami Beach.....        | 738              |

**Fifteen Largest Private Employers**

| <u>Employers' Name</u>                       | <u>Employees</u> |
|--|------------------|
| Baptist Health Systems of South Florida..... | 11,257           |
| Publix Super Markets.....                    | 11,000           |
| University of Miami.....                     | 10,170           |
| American Airlines.....                       | 9,000            |
| United Parcel Service.....                   | 6,123            |
| Precision Response Corporation.....          | 6,000            |
| BellSouth/AT&T.....                          | 5,500            |
| Winn Dixie Stores.....                       | 4,833            |
| Florida Power & Light Company.....           | 3,900            |
| Carnival Cruise Lines.....                   | 3,400            |
| Macy's Department Store.....                 | 3,368            |
| Mount Sinai Medical Center.....              | 3,280            |
| Mercy Hospital.....                          | 2,412            |
| Miami Children's Hospital.....               | 2,400            |
| Cordis                                       | 2,100            |

Source: The Beacon Council/Miami-Dade County, Florida,  
*Miami Business Profile & Relocation Guide 2007*

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The following table sets forth the unemployment rates for the last five years and comparative rates for the United States, the State of Florida and the County:

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATES  
2003- 2007**

| <b>Area</b>       | <b><u>2003</u></b> | <b><u>2004</u></b> | <b><u>2005</u></b> | <b><u>2006</u></b> | <b><u>2007*</u></b> |
|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| USA               | 6.0                | 5.6                | 5.1                | 4.7                | 4.6%                |
| Florida           | 5.1                | 4.7                | 4.1                | 3.2                | 3.6                 |
| Miami-Dade County | 7.2                | 6.5                | 4.7                | 3.8                | 3.5                 |

\* Nine-month average through September 2007.

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Sources: Florida Agency for Workplace Innovation, Office of Workforce Information Services, Labor Market Statistics; Miami-Dade County Department of Planning and Zoning, Research Section 2007.

The following table sets forth the Per Capita Personal Income for the last five years for the United States, the Southeastern region and the State of Florida as well as for the County.

**PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME  
2001 - 2005**

| <b><u>Year</u></b> | <b><u>USA</u></b> | <b><u>Southeastern</u></b> | <b><u>Florida</u></b> | <b><u>Miami-Dade</u></b> |
|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| 2001               | 30,527            | 27,325                     | 29,247                | 26,172                   |
| 2002               | 30,906            | 27,837                     | 29,758                | 26,780                   |
| 2003               | 31,472            | 28,470                     | 30,098                | 27,953                   |
| 2004               | 33,050            | 29,756                     | 31,469                | 29,076                   |
| 2005               | 34,471            | 31,001                     | 34,001                | 31,347                   |

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Sources: U.S. Department of Commerce Economic and Statistic Administration Bureau of Economic Analysis/Regional Economic Information System.  
Miami-Dade County Department of Planning and Zoning, Research Section 2007.

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**APPENDIX B**

**Master Ordinance and Series 2008 Resolution**

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**APPENDIX C**

**Miami-Dade County Audited Annual Financial Report  
for the Fiscal Year Ended  
September 30, 2006**

**Miami-Dade County Unaudited Annual Financial Report  
for the Fiscal Year Ended  
September 30, 2007**

**APPENDIX D**

**Proposed Form of Opinion of Bond Counsel**

\_\_\_\_\_, 2008

Board of County Commissioners of  
Miami-Dade County, Florida  
Miami, Florida

Re: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Miami-Dade County, Florida Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds,  
Series 2008

We have examined the transcript of proceedings (the "Transcript") relating to the issuance by Miami-Dade County, Florida (the "County") of its \$ \_\_\_\_\_ original principal amount of Miami-Dade County, Florida Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds, Series 2008 (the "Series 2008 Bonds"). All terms used in capitalized form and not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the hereinbelow described Bond Ordinance.

The Series 2008 Bonds are issued pursuant to Ordinance No. 05-48, enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County (the "Board") on March 1, 2005, and Resolution No. R-\_\_\_\_\_, adopted by the Board on \_\_\_\_\_, 2008 (collectively, the "Bond Ordinance"). The Series 2008 Bonds are being issued for the purpose of paying all or a part of the Cost of the Series 2008 Project.

The documents in the Transcript examined include a certified copy of the Bond Ordinance. We have also examined a specimen of the Series 2008 Bonds.

Based on this examination, we are of the opinion that, under existing law:

1. The County is a validly existing political subdivision of the State of Florida under the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida, with the power to issue the Series 2008 Bonds.
2. The Series 2008 Bonds and the Bond Ordinance are valid and legally binding special, limited obligations of the County, enforceable in accordance with their respective terms, subject to bankruptcy laws and other laws affecting creditors' rights and to the exercise of judicial discretion. The Series 2008 Bonds are payable as to principal and interest solely from and secured by a pledge of the Pledged Revenues in the manner and to the extent provided in the Bond Ordinance. Neither the faith and credit nor the ad valorem taxing power of the County, the State of Florida or any political subdivision thereof are pledged to the payment of the principal of, or interest on, the Series 2008 Bonds.
3. The interest on the Series 2008 Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals and corporations.

A portion of the interest on the Series 2008 Bonds earned by certain corporations may be subject to a federal corporate alternative minimum tax. In addition, interest on the Series 2008 Bonds may be subject to a federal branch profits tax imposed on certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States and to a federal tax imposed on excess net passive income of certain S corporations.

In giving the foregoing opinion in numbered paragraph 3, we have relied upon, and assumed continuing compliance with, the County's covenants and the accuracy, which we have not independently

verified, of the representations and certifications of the County contained in the Transcript. The County's continuing compliance with those covenants, and the accuracy of those representations and certifications, may be necessary for the interest on the Series 2008 Bonds to be and to remain excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Failure to comply with certain requirements subsequent to issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds may cause interest on the Series 2008 Bonds to be included in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactively to the date of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds.

4. The Series 2008 Bonds and the income thereon are exempt from taxation under the laws of the State of Florida, except estate taxes imposed by Chapter 198, Florida Statutes, as amended, and net income and franchise taxes imposed by Chapter 220, Florida Statutes, as amended.

In rendering the foregoing opinions we have assumed the accuracy and truthfulness of all public records and of all certifications, documents and other proceedings examined by us that have been executed or certified by public officials acting within the scope of their official capacities and have not verified the accuracy or truthfulness thereof. We have also assumed the genuineness of the signatures appearing upon such public records, certifications, documents and proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

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**APPENDIX E**

**Proposed Form of Opinion of Disclosure Counsel**

*On the date of issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds in definitive form, Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge LLP, and Rasco, Reininger, Perez, Esquenazi & Vigil, PL, Disclosure Counsel, propose to render their approving opinion in substantially the following form:*

\_\_\_\_\_, 2008

Board of County Commissioners  
of Miami-Dade County, Florida  
Miami, Florida

§ \_\_\_\_\_  
**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
**Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds**  
**Series 2008**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have served as disclosure counsel to Miami-Dade County, Florida (the "County") in connection with the issuance by the County of its \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Miami-Dade County, Transit System Sales Surtax Revenue Bonds, Series 2008 (the "Series 2008 Bonds").

In connection with the issuance and delivery of this opinion, we have considered such matters of law and fact and have relied upon such certificates and other information furnished to us as we deemed appropriate. We are not expressing any opinion or views herein on the authorization, issuance, delivery or validity of the Series 2008 Bonds and we have assumed, but not independently verified, that the signatures on all documents and certificates that we have examined are genuine.

To the extent that the opinions expressed herein relate to or are dependent upon the determination that the proceedings and actions related to the authorization, issuance and sale of the Series 2008 Bonds are lawful and valid under the laws of the State of Florida, or that the Bonds are valid and binding obligations of the County enforceable in accordance with their respective terms, or that the interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income of the owners of the Bonds for federal income tax purposes, we understand that you are relying upon the opinions delivered on the date hereof of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. and KnoxSeaton, Bond Counsel, and no opinion is expressed herein as to such matters.

The scope of our engagement with respect to the issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds was not to establish factual matters and because of the wholly or partially non-legal character of many of the determinations involved in the preparation of the Official Statement, dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2008 (the "Official Statement"), we are not passing on and do not assume any responsibility for, except as set forth in the next paragraph, the accuracy or completeness of the contents of the Official Statement (including, without limitation, any appendices, schedules, and exhibits thereto) and we make no representation that we have independently verified the accuracy, completeness or fairness of such statements. As your counsel, we have participated in the preparation of the Official Statement and in discussions and conferences with representatives of the County from the Finance Department and the County Attorney's Office, Public Resources Advisory Group, Financial Advisor to the County, Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. and KnoxSeaton, Bond Counsel and representatives of \_\_\_\_\_, (the "Underwriters"), in which the contents of the Official Statement and related matters were discussed.

Based solely on the basis of our participation in the preparation of the Official Statement, our examination of certificates, documents, instruments and records and the above-mentioned discussions, nothing has come to our attention which would lead us to believe that the Official Statement (except for the financial and statistical data in the Official Statement, including, without limitation, the appendices thereto, and the matters set forth therein under the caption "DESCRIPTION OF THE SERIES 2008 BONDS – Book-Entry-Only System" and in APPENDICES A, B, C, and D as to which no opinion is expressed) is not a fair and accurate summary of the matters purported to be summarized therein or that the Official Statement contained as of its date or as of the date hereof, any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted or omits to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. We are also of the opinion that the continuing disclosure undertaking set forth in the Series 2008 Resolution and in the Certificate of the County delivered at the closing satisfy the requirements set forth in Rule 15c2-12(b)(5)(i) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

In reaching the conclusions expressed herein, we have with your concurrence, assumed and relied on the genuineness and authenticity of all signatures not witnessed by us; the authenticity of all documents, records, instruments, items and letters submitted to us as originals; the conformity with originals of all items submitted to us as certified or photostatic copies and examined by us; the legal capacity and authority of the persons who executed the documents; the accuracy of all warranties, representations and statements of fact contained in the documents and instruments submitted to us in connection with the purchase and sale of the Series 2008 Bonds; that neither you nor the Underwriters have any actual knowledge or any reason to believe that any portion of the Official Statement is not accurate; and the continuing accuracy on this date of any certificates supplied to us regarding the matters addressed herein, which assumptions we have not verified. As to questions of fact material to our opinions, we have relied upon and assumed the correctness of the public records and certificates by and representations of public officials and other officers and representatives of various parties to this transaction. We have no actual knowledge of any factual information that would lead us to form a legal opinion that the public records or the certificates which we have relied upon contain any untrue statement of a material fact.

We are further of the opinion that, assuming the Bonds are the legal, valid and binding obligations of the County, the Series 2008 Bonds are exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the Trust Agreement is exempt from qualification pursuant to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.

The opinions set forth herein are expressly limited to, and we opine only with respect to, the laws of the State of Florida and the United States of America. The only opinions rendered hereby shall be those expressly stated herein, and no opinion shall be implied or inferred as a result of anything contained herein or omitted herefrom.

This opinion may be relied upon solely by the County and only in connection with the transaction to which reference is made above and may not be used or relied upon by any other person for any purposes whatsoever without our prior written consent.

Respectfully submitted,

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