

# Memorandum



**Date:** December 2, 2011

**To:** Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** Carlos A. Gimenez  
Mayor 

**Subject:** National Institute of Governmental Purchasing Outstanding Agency Accreditation  
Achievement Award

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I am pleased to inform the Board of County Commissioner that the Procurement Management Division in the Internal Services Department has received an Outstanding Agency Accreditation Award with the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP) - Institute for Public Procurement (see attached).

This award recognizes Miami-Dade County for excellence in public procurement, having gone through a rigorous application process and demonstrated excellent standards and practices. This award establishes our Procurement Management Division as one of 114 agencies throughout the United States and Canada having received this award.

I hope that you will take the opportunity to congratulate the entire Procurement Management Division on this accomplishment.

If you have any question or concerns feel free to contact me directly.

## Attachment

c: R. A. Cuevas, Jr., County Attorney  
Office of the Mayor Senior Staff  
Department Directors  
Charles Anderson, Commission Auditor



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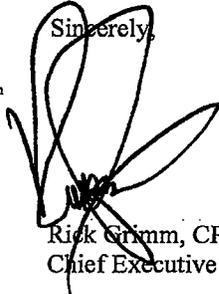
Dear Mr. Gimenez:

On behalf of our NIGP Board of Directors, I am pleased to inform you that the Maimi-Dade County, Department of Procurement Management has attained its re-certification of NIGP, The Institute for Public Procurement's Outstanding Agency Accreditation Award – OA<sup>4</sup>. Congratulations!

As you may know, this Award formally recognizes excellence in public procurement by establishing a body of standards that should be in place for a solid purchasing operation. Your entity responded to the rigorous challenge of a detailed application that required substantial documentation and a demonstration of best practices.

Many governmental agencies have attempted to achieve this Accreditation status – only to realize that their practices fall short of the required standards of performance. While the NIGP membership represents over 2,000 governmental agencies throughout the United States and Canada, only 114 governments have attained this distinction. Clearly, Maimi-Dade County, Department of Procurement Management belongs to an elite group of purchasing organizations that represent the highest sustained standards of quality and efficiency in government! The Maimi-Dade County, Department of Procurement Management is now challenged by its OA<sup>4</sup> peers to achieve the Pareto Award of Excellence in Public Procurement – Public Purchasing's pinnacle achievement in procurement.

The enclosed certification and the achievement it represents bring credibility and recognition to your entity – an accomplishment that should be highly regarded by your elected officials and the citizenry that you serve. Again, my highest congratulations to the entire Procurement team.

Sincerely,  
  
Rick Grimm, CPPO, CPPB  
Chief Executive Officer

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Having demonstrated Excellence in Public Procurement through the Accomplishment of Rigorous Standards and Best Practices, The National Institute of Governmental Purchasing is Hereby Honored and Privileged to Recognize the

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT

through this  
Outstanding Agency Accreditation Achievement Award  
Certificate Number 54



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