

July 30, 1999

MEMORANDUM

TO: Business Officers

FROM: Philip V. Albano, Director
Administrative and Facility Services

SUBJECT: Environmental Services Update

A committee composed of Jerry Marples (Wake TCC), Leland Dixon (Durham TCC), Erik Conti (Alamance CC), Ed Farris (Wayne CC), Charles Lancaster (Coastal Carolina CC), and Keith Murphy (Division of OSHA) has met and developed an Environmental Compliance Services RFP (RFP). The RFP was advertised and we received both technical proposals and cost proposals in separate envelopes.

Among the technical proposals that we received was one from North Carolina State University (NCSU) which indicated that they could provide the services. Needless to say, we were very surprised because we had no idea that another state agency or institution could perform the types of services that were required by the RFP. State practices mandate that when a state agency such as ours requires services they are to attempt to secure those services from any other state agency or institution which can provide the services. Had we been aware that a State agency or institution could perform these services, we would have negotiated with them and not developed the RFP.

Now, in order to comply with these practices we have canceled the RFP, rejected all proposals and left the cost proposals sealed. We will meet with NCSU within the next two weeks and attempt to negotiate terms within our budget. If we can, we will contract with them. Should negotiations fail, we would have to issue another RFP.

We hope to have a contract in place by September 1, 1999, and we will keep you informed.

c: Presidents
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