



June 15, 2009

Ms. Natalie Rew, Auditor  
Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction  
P.O. Box 7841  
125 South Webster Street  
Madison, WI 53707-7841

RE: Qualified School Construction Bond "QSCB" Allocation

Dear Ms. Rew:

This letter is to apply for a \$3,020,464 allocation of Qualified School Construction Bonds. The Madison Metropolitan School District appreciates the federal legislation and the support of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction in making this interest free (or low interest) bond program available. The District seeks any part of the \$3,020,464 request that is available to our District.

- The District proposes to finance the following eligible projects listed in "Attachment A" listed by building and amount. The list of projects attached in the amount of \$3,020,364 all fall under the rehabilitation or repair of public school facilities and related equipment necessary to complete the projects listed as outlined within the QSCB guidelines.
- The District's project plan will meet the following objectives:
  - Science, Technology, Engineering and Math:** Projects amounting to approximately \$930,000 fall directly into the foundation of technology and science. The project outlined as electrical upgrades for wireless technology will allow our school district to implement wireless technology district wide by increasing the amount of power available to install future equipment. The project outlined as eye wash stations will allow our district to install these stations in every science laboratory addressing this safety concern.
  - Green and Healthy Schools:** Projects amounting to approximately \$1,130,000 improve upon the districts initiative to improve on our green and health schools. All of these projects are meant to decrease the overall energy use necessary at each of the buildings where a project is meant to be completed.
  - Safe and Healthful Schools:** Projects amounting to approximately \$960,464 increase the safety and overall healthfulness of the learning environment at each site.
- The District has (or is seeking) the Borrowing Authority via a Fund 38 Borrowing Resolution approved on June 8, 2009. This exact resolution approved by the board of education is attached to this document and labeled as Attachment B.

- All of the projects listed on Attachment A have the ability to either start immediately or no later than September 1, 2009. These projects outline the highest needs within our district and need to be accomplished in a timely basis.
- The District is confident that these projects will adhere to the “Prevailing Wage” requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act. Every step will be taken with our construction manager and project staff to ensure all reporting requirements are met in a timely manner.

The District’s projects are “shovel ready” and will fulfill the intended goal of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act “ARRA” Stimulus Bill by creating or maintaining jobs on and near the construction worksite. We also feel that our project meets the longer-term goal of “reinvesting” in our local community by improving the public infrastructure that serves our citizens in an energy-efficient and sustainable manner.

Discussions of program details are currently underway at committee and school board level and we are working closely with our financial advisor and bond counsel. We believe we have met the requirements for participation in the Qualified School Construction Bond program and your review of our request for an allocation is appreciated.

Please feel free to contact me at 608-663-1634 or by email at [ekass@madison.k12.wi.us](mailto:ekass@madison.k12.wi.us) if additional clarification is needed.

Sincerely,

Erik J Kass  
Assistant Superintendent for Business Services

Attachments