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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS • COLUMBIA COUNTY

July 1, 2008



Ms. Amanda J. Pennel
Contracting Officer
320 First Street, NW
Washington, DC 20534

Re: Solicitation

Dear Ms. Pennel:

Please accept this letter as our support for this project to be located in our community. We are anxious to provide the necessary support and assistance to make this project a success for all parties involved.

Thoroughly understanding the mission of the Bureau of Prisons and its dependency on quality personnel, we feel that this area provides a suitable workforce as well as a great place for those employees and families to reside with our overall lifestyle quality, educational, and civic resources.

We have other detention facilities in Columbia County and are familiar with the environmental impact as it pertains to the construction of a correctional institution in our jurisdiction and at this time have no concerns regarding same.

Subject to the following conditions, we support construction of the facility and look forward to working together on this with you:

- a. This will be a private entity with no public financing from Columbia County, Florida;
- b. There will be no adverse impact on any other governmental entity in Columbia County, Florida;

BOARD MEETS FIRST THURSDAY AT 7.00 P.M.
AND THIRD THURSDAY AT 7.00 P.M.



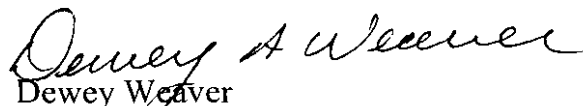
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- c. The facility as a private entity will pay ad valorem taxes and non-ad valorem assessments as levied by Columbia County, Florida; and
- d. Columbia County will have the opportunity to further consider the proposal and its impact upon Columbia County before giving final approval.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dewey A. Weaver".

Dewey Weaver

Chairman

Board of County Commissioners