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August 13, 2018

Victor Zambrano
Chief Financial Officer
County of Santa Barbara
Department of Social Services
234 Camino del Remedio
Santa Barbara, CA 93110

Dear: Mr. Zambrano

RE: Request to Sole Source for Emergency Child Care Bridge Program for Foster Children dated 6-29-18

We have reviewed the procurement by negotiation request by the Santa Barbara Department of Social Services to enter into an Emergency Child Care Bridge Program contract for foster children services with Children's Resource and Referral of Santa Barbara County (CRRSBC). Santa Barbara County is making its request for a sole source agreement using the unique circumstances category under MPP 23.650.1.18. CRRSBC appears to be the only contractor listed on the CDSS website for approved R&R vendors in Santa Barbara County.

SB 89 requires counties enter agreements with local R&R contractors and CRRSBC is the only approved vendor for Santa Barbara County, we agree that due to the unique circumstances the County's request is supported. Therefore, we approve the County's request to enter into contract by negotiation with CRRSBC.

If you have any questions regarding the subject matter, please feel free to contact me directly at (916) 654-1871.

Sincerely,

SIMONE DUMAS, Chief
Contracts and Purchasing Bureau

Cc: Ismela Vaazquez