

**Notice from the Office of Contracts**  
**Re: Public Reading of the Bid Results has been Discontinued**  
**September 20, 2006**

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Due to technological advances, the Department has opted to eliminate the public reading portion of our bid letting process. The contracting industry has indicated to us that they are not listening to the bid letting broadcast since the results are available on-line before the bids can be read aloud. The Department believes the Bid Express process to be as secure as and more efficient than our previous process. For these reasons, beginning with the October 4, 2006 letting, the Department will no longer read bids aloud.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kerry Yoakum", followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

Kerry Yoakum, Esq.  
Administrator  
Office of Contracts