



May 15, 2021

Chairwoman Marcelia Nicholson
Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors
Milwaukee County Courthouse - Room 201
901 North 9th Street
Milwaukee, WI 53223

Re: ARAMARK Food Service Contract

Dear Chairwoman Nicholson,

On behalf of Aramark Correctional Services, I would like to thank Milwaukee County for its continued partnership at the Milwaukee County House of Correction and Milwaukee County Criminal Justice Facility. During the Finance Committee meeting that was held today, Superintendent Jewell and Assistant Superintendent Dodd requested that a 1-year extension be given to Aramark for the purpose of providing the food service to each location from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. During this discussion, Supervisor Johnson Jr had requested that Aramark provide the County Board with an update on Aramark's participation in the DBE program.

As of the compliance audit that was completed through April 2021, Aramark has achieved a participation percentage of 14.252% on a target of 17%. From the inception of this current contract in January 2015, Aramark has utilized 4-DBE businesses in Milwaukee and South Eastern Wisconsin for the purpose of providing Fresh Fruits & Vegetables (AJ Produce), Pest Control (Nexxus Pest Services), Office and Printing Supplies (True North Resources) as well as Food Service Equipment, paper products and Janitorial Supplies (Superior Equipment & Supply). Combined, Aramark has paid \$2,782,399.51 to these companies over the life of this current contract. In addition to providing goods and services to Aramark at the House of Correction and Criminal Justice Facility these vendors are also sourced and utilized at other Correctional and Non-Correctional Facilities throughout Wisconsin, Illinois and Minnesota. As I had expressed to Supervisor Johnson Jr. during today's meeting, Aramark is committed to the DBE program and while we acknowledge that we are short of our 17% target for this contract, we continue to do our absolute best in utilizing these vendors whenever and wherever possible.

Supervisor Johnson Jr. also asked for this same data as it applies to the Milwaukee County Department of Aging contract. While this contract does not have a DBE requirement, Aramark is committed to each of these DBE vendors and is utilizing them in the same capacity for the purpose of delivering tasty and nutritious meals to the Seniors in Milwaukee County through the Meals on Wheels Home Delivered meals as well as at the Senior Dining sites on Milwaukee County's north side and downtown locations.

Sincerely,

Brad Meyer
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ARAMARK Correctional Service