



GROSSMONT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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GROSSMONT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT SELECTS GAFCON/HARRIS FOR PROGRAM MANAGEMENT SUPPORT OF PROP. H BOND PROGRAM

(EL CAJON, CA)—At a Special Board meeting on Wednesday, August 15, 2007, the Governing Board of the Grossmont Union High School District (GUHSD) unanimously selected Gafcon/Harris to serve as its Proposition H Program Management Consultant. Gafcon/Harris will provide a complete range of program management and related services to support the District's Proposition H program.

According to Deputy Superintendent Scott Patterson, eight firms submitted proposals and leading firms were interviewed, graded and ranked. The interview panel included members of the GUHSD Governing Board, Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee, GUHSD Bond Advisory Commission, industry representatives and District staff. Gafcon/Harris was selected based on the firm's expertise with previous similar projects, including services performed for the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District's capital construction and renovation program, he said. Director of Educational Services for Gafcon Joe Minner said, "We have had much success in helping East County clients achieve their bond measure projects and look forward to bringing the Gafcon/Harris team to the Grossmont Union High School District."

The District plans to execute an agreement with Gafcon/Harris immediately on the basis of a one-year agreement with additional option years to provide the appropriate program support. Gafcon Program Manager Erik Reuter, and Harris & Associates Launch Manager Randy Duncan are the key individuals for this program.

In further action on Wednesday night, the Governing Board also unanimously approved the selection of Colbi Technologies, Inc. to support to the 11-member Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC). The CBOC reports on the proper expenditure of taxpayers' money for school construction, and reviews copies of annual, public performance and financial audits. Colbi Technologies, Inc. will serve as an outside expert and facilitator to provide meeting support, website maintenance, performance audits and project investigations, annual report assistance, and other assigned administrative support. Larry Goshorn with Colbi Technologies is the key individual who will fulfill this assignment.

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