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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

MEMORANDUM

To:

Members

Joint Committee on Finance

From:

Senator Howard Marklein

Representative Mark Born

Date:

August 30, 2023

Re:

DOA Report to JFC

Attached is a report required by subsection (7) of section 18.16 of the Wisconsin Statutes and specifies the reason for not complying with subsections (2) to (5) of the same section for a specific issue of debt from the Department of Administration.

This report is being provided for your information only. No action by the Committee is required. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

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Tony Evers, Governor Kathy Blumenfeld, Secretary Brian Pahnke, Administrator

August 30, 2023

The Honorable Howard Marklein, Senate Chair The Honorable Mark Born, Assembly Chair Joint Committee on Finance Madison, WI 53702

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Dear Senator Marklein, Representative Born, and Members:

This report is required by subsection (7) of section 18.16 of the Wisconsin Statutes and specifies the reason for not complying with subsections (2) to (5) of the same section for a specific issue of debt.

The State of Wisconsin Building Commission previously approved an authorizing resolution on August 9, 2023 that provided for the sale of \$271,360,000 State of Wisconsin General Obligation Bonds of 2023, Series B **(Bonds)**.

Pursuant to this authorization, the Capital Finance Director conducted a public sale on August 15, 2023 for the Bonds. This public sale was conducted pursuant to Subchapter I of Chapter 18 and the Official Notice of Sale available to all potential bidders set the terms and conditions of the sale.

The State received a total of 12 bids for the Bonds, and the Capital Finance Director awarded the Bonds to a syndicate managed by Morgan Stanley & Co, LLC based on the lowest true interest cost rate to the State. Two members of the syndicate (Samuel A. Ramirez & Co., Inc., and Siebert Williams Shank & Co. LLC) are certified by the Department of Administration as minority-owned investment firms, but their aggregate participation of 1.93% is less than the amount outlined in the above subsections of Wisconsin Statutes. In addition, no disabled veteranowned investment firm is currently certified as such by the Department of Administration.

Morgan Stanley & Co, LLC is not a minority-owned investment firm. In addition, no disabled veteran-owned investment firm is currently certified as such by the Department of Administration.

Underwriting participation by minority- and disabled veteran-owned investment firms is encouraged in competitive sales. There are sections entitled "Minority Participation" and "Disabled Veteran-Owned Business Participation" in the Official Notice of Sale, and a list of certified minority-owned investment firms (which includes contact information) is available to each prospective bidder.

Sincerely,

—pocusigned by: Kathy Blumenfeld

Kathy K. Blumenfeld

Secretary of Administration