

EXECUTIVE ORDER # 137

Relating to the Use of Evaluation Committees in State Procurement Processes

WHEREAS, Wisconsin state government agencies regularly procure goods and services for a variety of state government purposes; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 16 of the Wisconsin Statutes authorizes competitive negotiations utilizing a "Request for Proposal" process whenever several vendors are qualified to furnish the State of Wisconsin with a product or service, but a contract cannot be awarded strictly on the basis of specifications or price; and

WHEREAS, the Request for Proposal process specified in Chapter 16 of the Wisconsin Statutes involves the establishment of an evaluation committee to review all vendor proposals submitted for consideration in awarding procurement contracts; and

WHEREAS, in keeping with, and expanding upon, current procurement policies intending to avoid even the appearance of any conflict of interest in State of Wisconsin procurements; and

WHEREAS, public confidence in Wisconsin state government depends on public confidence in state government procurement practices;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM DOYLE, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this State, do hereby direct all state agency heads appointed by the Governor to ensure that where a procurement contract is to be awarded pursuant to a Request for Proposal as specified in Chapter 16 of the Wisconsin Statutes, the evaluation committee shall exclude any employee of the Office of the Governor, and any unclassified Agency Head, Commissioner, Deputy Agency Head, Executive Assistant, or Division Administrator.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this second day of February, in the year two thousand six.

JIM DOYLE Governor

By the Governor:

Douglas La Follette

Secretary of State