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December 7, 2011

Lee Feldman, City Manager
City of Fort Lauderdale
100 North Andrews Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

**Re: Northport/Broward County Convention Center Development of Regional Impact ("DRI") –
Proposed Development Agreement**

Dear Mr. Feldman:

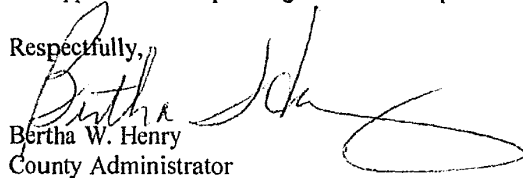
The County recently received the City's latest suggested revisions to the proposed DRI Development Agreement ("Agreement"). Additional time will be required to address the concerns expressed. In light of the approaching December 31, 2011, statutory notice deadline, the County must reiterate its prior requests for extensions of the DRI buildout date pursuant to Chapters 2009-96 and 2010-147, Laws of Florida (Senate Bills 360 and 1752, respectively), which will extend the DRI buildout date by an additional four (4) years. The County also requests an additional eleven-month extension of the buildout date available under Section 252.363, Florida Statutes (2011) and the Florida Governor's Executive Orders 11-128, 11-172, and 11-202. Noting the City staff's disagreement with this position, the County asserts that the DRI Development Order meets all of the requirements for these extensions, including the fact that the DRI is currently in compliance with all of the terms and conditions of the Development Order.

Additionally, the County hereby provides the requisite written notice to extend the DRI buildout date by an additional four (4) years in accordance with Section 380.06(19)(c)2., Florida Statutes (2011).

The specified extensions are cumulative and not concurrent. The combined length of all of the extensions will extend the buildout date until approximately November 22, 2020.

The County looks forward to continue working closely with the City to facilitate execution of the Agreement and approval of the pending Notice of Proposed Change.

Respectfully,


Bertha W. Henry
County Administrator

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Phil Allen, Director, Port Everglades
Nicki Grossman, President, Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau
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