STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA	)	BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA
	)	PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL
COUNTY OF RICHLAND	)	CASE NO. 1987-3b

IN RE:	)	
	)	
PROTEST BY FEIMSTER-PETERSON, INC.	)	O R D E R
	)	

June 15, 1987

Mr. Nicholas S. Papleacos
Stokes, Shapiro, Fussell, Fox & Wedge
2300 First Atlanta Tower
Atlanta, Georgia 30383

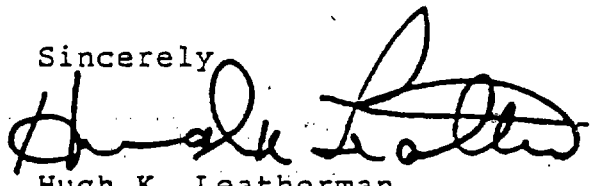
RE: Feimster-Peterson, Inc.
State Project No. J16-9215, CPOC-P-87-020

Dear Mr. Papleacos:

In response to your request for reimbursement of certain costs relating to the procurement protest filed by Feimster-Peterson, Inc., the South Carolina Procurement Review Panel denies your request.

The authority of the Review Panel to award costs granted in §11-35-4210, South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended, is discretionary. This statute in no way compels the Review Panel to grant reimbursement. Although the costs for which you seek reimbursement may not always be part of seeking a state contract, they are to be expected and are generally a normal cost of doing business with the state. Consequently, the Review Panel concludes that the costs in this instance should be borne by the protestant.

Sincerely



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Chairman, S. C. Procurement Review Panel

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