UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM
BOARD OF REGENTS AGENDA

COMMITTEE: Finance and Administration

ITEM: Approval is requested for ratification of the restoration and recovery services agreement with Cotton Commercial USA, Inc for the University of Houston System.

DATE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED: N/A

SUMMARY:

Approval is requested for ratification of the restoration and recovery services agreement with Cotton Commercial USA, Inc. not to exceed $6 million. This vendor provides emergency restoration services on an "as needed" basis for the University of Houston and System campuses. This contract will allow the System to properly prepare and recover from emergencies of all types and magnitudes and is part of a proactive emergency response plan. This contract was publicly bid and is an extension of a contract that began on May 31, 2010. This is a one-year renewal from May 31, 2012 to May 31, 2013.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION: Reasons to Ratify Cotton Agreement

FISCAL NOTE: None

RECOMMENDATION/ ACTION REQUESTED: Administration recommends approval of this item.

COMPONENT: University of Houston System

EXECUTIVE VICE CHANCELLOR Carl Carlucci **DATE** 7/19/2012

CHANCELLOR Renu Khator **DATE** 7/20/12

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University of Houston System
Reasons to Ratify Cotton Commercial, USA Contract

Cotton Commercial USA, Inc was awarded a multi-year contract on May 31, 2010, Contract Number WO20036. In calendar years 2010-2012, Cotton has managed 86 projects on the University of Houston totaling $3 million, which have included everything from environmental responses to storm and flooding recovery. The majority of the projects were in calendar year 2012 due to the high volume of rain and flooding.

Based on their performance during calendar year 2010 and 2011 and the Universities ability to successfully negotiate an extended term at the 2010 rates, the original contract period has been extended by one term. The original contract period was May 31, 2010-May 31, 2012 with two one-year renewal options. We have extended the contract for one term and this contract will exceed $1 million. The extended contract term is from May 31, 2012 – May 31, 2013.

The University of Houston has received the following benefits from this contract:

- Immediate response for emergencies including fire, water, wind, smoke, contamination, and corrosion
- Emergency Drill Assistance for Operational Teams
- Limited impact to Business Operations due to contract and vendor responsiveness

January 2012 Flooding

On January 9, torrential rains brought flash flooding to the greater Houston area causing damage to multiple buildings on the UH campus . More than 6 inches of rain fell throughout the area and during one short 10-minute period, the weather service in Houston recorded 1.6 inches.

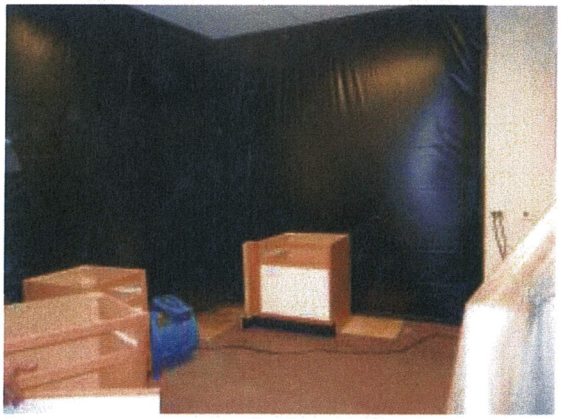
Cotton and UH Facilities Management implemented a emergency response center and Cotton assisted the University in assessing over 20 buildings in less than an 8 hour time period. A critical path management plan was developed to first address the most heavily affected areas and Cotton crews ultimately performed emergency and water mitigation services in at least 15 buildings. Most of the buildings required build back services to fully recover.

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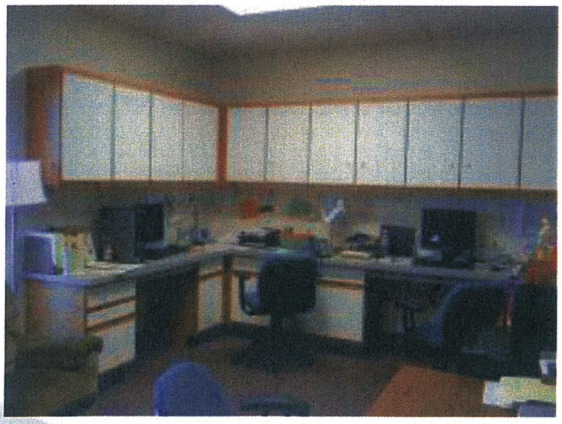
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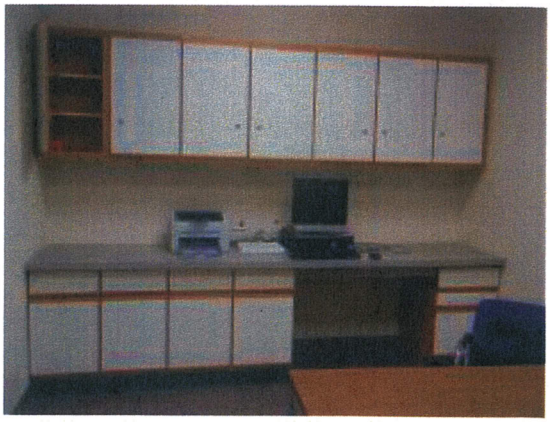




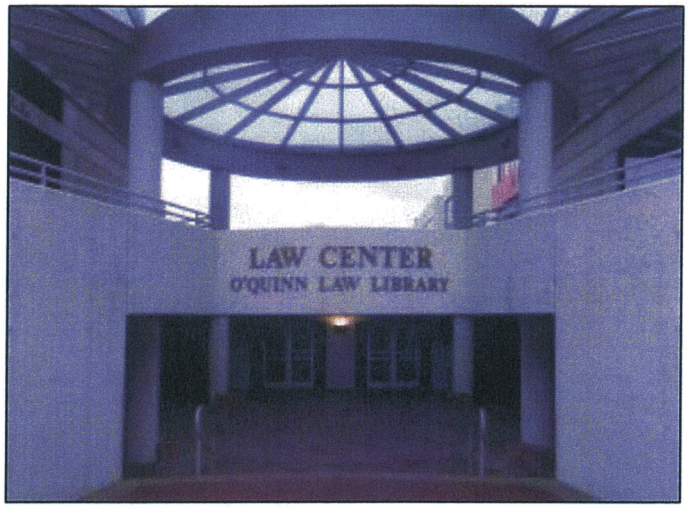








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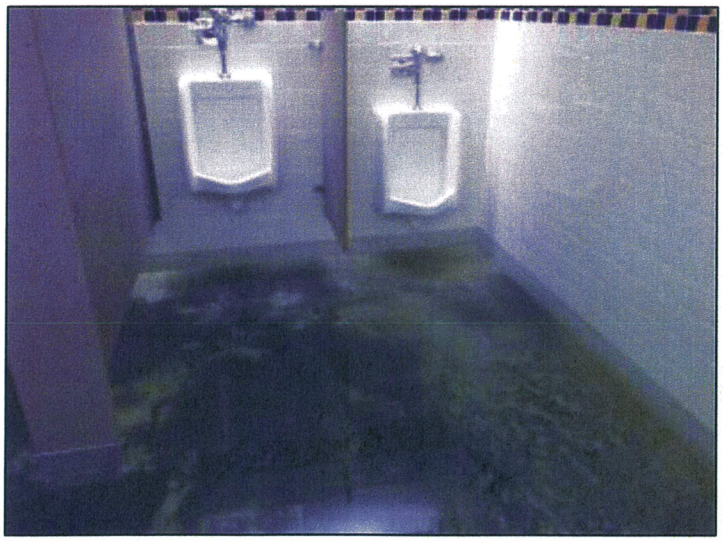


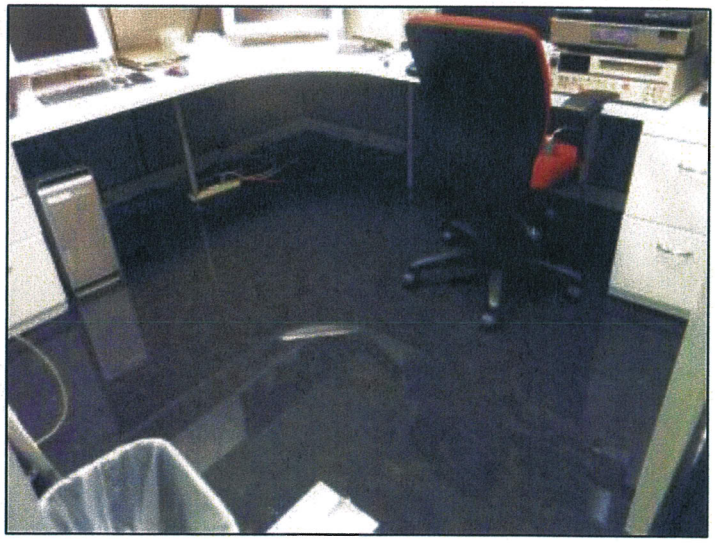


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