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AUTHORIZATION TO MAKE PAYMENTS TO U.S. FOODS FOR CONSOLIDATED FOOD SERVICE

Consolidated Food Service prepares meals for the Jail, Badger Prairie Health Care Center and the Juvenile Detention Center. Recently, CFS has changed prime food vendors from Sysco to U.S. Foods. U.S. Foods offers better pricing than Sysco under a U.S. Communities purchasing contract. Under the U.S. Communities contract, U.S. Foods also offers additional discounts based on the size of the order and the promptness of payment. By making larger orders and paying invoices more quickly, CFS can enjoy discounts of up to 1.75%.

Current county practice calls for the invoices from purchases such as these to be approved by the Personnel and Finance Committee and for those over \$10,000 to be approved by the County Board. Under this process, CFS cannot pay the invoices quickly enough to access the potential discounts.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Controller's Office is authorized to issue checks to U.S. Foods to enable CFS to maximize discounts related to order size and prompt payment.