

**Lee County Board Of County Commissioners
Agenda Item Summary**

Blue Sheet No 20060064

1. ACTION REQUESTED/PURPOSE:

Request the Board to approve the removal of account balances of contractual write-offs and uncollectible bad debt from both Emergency Medical Services primary ambulance billing vendor Advanced Data Processing Inc. (ADPI) and bad debt collection vendor Professional Adjustment Collection (PAC) accounts. The amounts to be written off: ADPI: \$2,681,618.18 (FY 00-03) / PAC: \$4,450,775.36 (FY 93-98). Total account balances to be removed from County records: \$7,132,393.54

2. WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:

The action reduces the accounts receivable balance to reflect "actual" anticipated revenue collections by the ambulance and bad debt billing vendors.

3. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION: Management recommends approval.

4. Departmental Category: 7 C7A		5. Meeting Date: 03-28-2006
6. Agenda: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative <input type="checkbox"/> Appeals <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Walk-On	7. Requirement/Purpose: (specify)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Statute	<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance
	<input type="checkbox"/> Admin. Code	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
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		8. Request Initiated: Commissioner _____ Department _____ Independent Division _____ Public Safety / EMS By: <u>John Wilson, Director</u>

9. Background: The account balances to be removed are from two separate billing vendors.

Advanced Data Processing, Inc. (ADPI)

The account balances of \$2,681,618.18 from ADPI are from FY'00-03. All accounts deemed collectible and that have a balance of \$25.00 or greater and have exceeded with no account activity in the 180 day billing / payment window as specified in the vendor contract between Lee County and Advanced Data Processing, Inc., are forwarded to Professional Adjustment Corporation for bad debt collection. The write-offs from ADPI represent accounts that could not be collected due to contractual allowances from traditional Medicare / Medicaid and associated HMO programs; Champus; court probates; bankruptcy; prisoner transports; approved account adjustments from legal and/or insurance company requests; financial hardship approval from Lee County Human Services Department.

Professional Adjustment Corporation (PAC)

The account balances of \$4,450,775.36 from PAC represent accounts that were not collected by Lee County's former ambulance billing vendor, Sky Asset Management. The accounts meet the four (4) year statute of limitations allowable for pursuing collections through legal action under F.S. 95.11 (3) (k) and / or accounts that are seven (7) years and older that have to be removed from the debtors credit bureau report per The Fair Credit Reporting Act.

Total uncollectible account balances to be removed from the EMS account receivable balance is \$7,132,393.54.

10. Review for Scheduling:

Department Director	Purchasing or Contracts	Human Resources	Other	County Attorney	Budget Services			County Manager/P.W. Director
					Analyst	Risk	Grants	
3/16/06	N/A	N/A			3/13/06	3/13/06	3/13/06	MS 3/16/06

11. Commission Action:

- Approved
- Deferred
- Denied
- Other

RECEIVED BY COUNTY ADMIN:	<i>[Signature]</i>
Date:	3-10-06
COUNTY ADMIN FORWARDED TO:	<i>[Signature]</i>
Date:	3-26-06

Rec. By CoAtty	<i>[Signature]</i>
Date:	3/13/06
Time:	1:30pm
Forwarded to:	<i>[Signature]</i>