## APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CHICAGO PRESS CORPORATION FOR PRINTING SERVICES

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Chicago Press Corporation for printing of the Chicago Academic Standards Examinations (CASE) at a cost not to exceed \$194,000.00. Vendor was selected on a non-competitive basis due to vendor's ability to meet unique printing and test security requirements. A written agreement for vendor's services is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to vendor prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

**SPECIFICATION NO.:** 01-250252

**VENDOR:** 

**Chicago Press Corporation** 

1112 North Homan Avenue

Chicago, IL 60651 (773) 276-1500 Vendor # 50052

**USER:** 

Office of Accountability

125 South Clark Street, 11th Floor

Chicago, IL 60603

Adalbert Kouba, (773) 553-2335

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on October 25, 2001 and shall end on June 30, 2002.

**DESCRIPTION OF PRINTING SERVICES:** Vendor will print and package the new version of the CASE Exams which will be administered towards the end of the first and second semesters of the 2001-2002 school year. The Chicago Academic Standards Examinations (CASE) is an assessment system developed in accordance with CPS Academic Standards and the Programs of Study in the following 11 core courses.

Algebra Environmental Science
Biology Geometry
Chemistry Physics
Earth/Space Science
English I World Studies

English 2

In addition to printing and packaging the exams, the vendor will deliver the exams to CPS Warehousing and Distribution in boxes ready for distribution to schools via the mail run. Vendor will follow all test security requirements issued by the Office of Accountability. Printing of the new version CASE exams includes the following approximate quantities:

First Semester	Second Semester	
Quantity	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Description</u>
283,000	283,000	Multiple Choice Exams (11 subjects)
283,000	283,000	Constructed Response Exams (11 subjects)
13,400	13,400	Rubrics (11 subjects)
8,000	8,000	Instruction Booklets

**DELIVERABLES:** Vendor shall deliver CASE multiple choice exams, constructed response exams, rubrics and instruction booklets in the quantities specified by January 3, 2002 for the first semester and by May 17, 2002 for the second semester.

**COMPENSATION:** Vendor will be paid in two installments upon invoicing after each semester's services have been rendered and products delivered; with total compensation not to exceed \$194,000.00. This amount is based on a price quote by the vendor of \$175,990.00 plus 10% to cover alterations and reprints.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the Written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize the Chief

Accountability Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: The Waiver Review Committee recommends that a partial waiver of the participation goals for this contract which include: 35% total MBE, 22% total African American, 10% total Hispanic, 2% total Asian, and 5 % total WBE as required by the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan) be waived because the wavier request is fair and reasonable due to the scope of the contract.

The vendor has identified and scheduled the following firms and percentages:

## 29% African American:

Bhards Publishing Co.

840 E. 87<sup>th</sup> St. #207, Chicago, IL \$57,352.00 29%

Recertified through 4/9/02

5% Hispanic:

Montenegro Paper

P.O. Box 6202. Bloomingdale, IL \$9,700.00 5%

Recertified through 4/9/02

Each identified firm is certified by the City of Chicago/Department of Purchases Contracts and Supplies. The identified firms are subject to change upon approval from The Division of Compliance and Vendor Services in the Procurement and Contracts Department without further Board approval.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of Accountability \$194,000.00 Fiscal Year: 2002

Budget Classification: 0920-210-461-1048-5460 Source of Funds: General Ed

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General – Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:

Anita Rocha

Acting Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:/

Kenneth C. Gotsch Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form:

Marilyn/F. Johnson

General Counsel

Approved:

Arne Duncan

**Chief Executive Officer**