# APPROVE EXERCISING THE THIRD OPTION TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH EDUCATIONAL TESTING SERVICE FOR THE PURCHASE OF TEST MATERIALS AND RELATED SERVICES

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve exercising the third option to renew the agreement with Educational Testing Service for the purchase of test materials and related services for the Office of Research, Evaluation and Accountability at a cost for the option period not to exceed \$2,000,000.00 in the aggregate. A written document exercising this option is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Vendor during the option period prior to the execution of the written document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this option is stated below.

## **VENDOR:**

1) Educational Testing Service Rosedale Rd. Princeton, Nj 08541 John Laramy 609-683-2838

Vendor # 18345

## USER:

Research, Evaluation & Accountability 125 S Clark St - 11th Floor Chicago, IL 60603 Ginger Reynolds 773-553-2537

# **ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:**

The original Agreement (authorized by Board Report 06-0823-PR18) in the amount of \$1,550,000.00 is for a term commencing September 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007, with the Board having three options to renew the agreement for additional 1-year periods. The first option to renew (authorized by Board Report 07-0627-PR33) in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 was for a term commencing July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2008. The second option to renew (authorized by Board Report 08-0625-PR31) in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 was for a term commencing July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009. The original agreement was awarded on a non-competitive basis based on the Vendor's previous history of working with the Chicago Public Schools and their ability to deliver a formative classroom assessment system.

## **OPTION PERIOD:**

The term of this agreement is being extended for one additional year commencing July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010.

# **OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:**

There are no option periods remaining.

# **SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

Educational Testing Service shall continue to provide services related to their mathematics benchmark assessment test materials for grades 3-8.

## **DELIVERABLES:**

Educational Testing Service shall continue to deliver their mathematics benchmark assessment test materials for grades 3-8. Delivery includes test books, answer sheets, custom reporting services, Pre-ID labels, and pre-gridding. Vendor shall continue to provide, at no additional cost, district profile summary reports for both tests and presentation packets. Area Instructional Officers shall continue to receive area specific district profile summary reports and PDF versions of school profile summary reports. Vendor shall also continue to provide psychometric services including equating and prediction studies.

#### **OUTCOMES:**

The ETS mathematics benchmark assessment, which is aligned to the standards measured by the Illinois Standards Achievement Test, shall provide teachers and administrators with insights and tools to rapidly evaluate and guide classroom instruction over the course of a school year. The assessment shall provide benchmarks of student achievement so that administrators and teachers can target students who need intervention and additional resources.

#### COMPENSATION:

Vendor shall be paid during this option period as specified in the renewal agreement. Total compensation during this option period shall not exceed \$2,000,000.00.

## **AUTHORIZATION:**

Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in this renewal agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute this renewal agreement. Authorize Chief of the Office of Research, Evaluation, and Accountability to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this renewal agreement.

# **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:**

Pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services contracts, participation goal provisions of the Program do not apply to transactions where the vendor providing services operates as a Not-for-Profit organization.

#### LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

## FINANCIAL:

Charge to the Office of Research, Evaluation and Accountability: \$2,000,000

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## **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 June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics - The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), 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:** 

Opal L. Walls

**Chief Purchasing Officer** 

Within Appropriation:

PEDRO MARTINEZ

Chief Financial Officer

Approved:

Ron Huberman Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form:

PATRICK J. ROCKS General Counsel