# APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH EDUCATIONAL TESTING SERVICE FOR THE PURCHASE OF TEST MATERIALS AND RELATED SERVICES

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Educational Testing Service for the purchase of test materials and related services for the Department of Assessment Design at a cost not to exceed \$4,200,000.00. Vendor was selected 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 aligned to the state assessments. A written agreement for this purchase is currently being negotiated. No services or goods shall be delivered and 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 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

#### VENDOR:

1) Vendor # 18345 EDUCATIONAL TESTING SERVICE ROSEDALE RD. PRINCETON, NJ 08541 John Laramy 609-683-2838

#### USER:

Assessment Design 125 S Clark Street, 11th Floor Chicago, IL 60603

Contact:

Margaret Bartz 773-553-2320

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Project Manager:

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## TERM:

The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end June 30, 2011. This agreement shall have three options to renew for periods of one year each.

# **EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:**

The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice.

# **DESCRIPTION OF PURCHASE:**

Goods: Vendor shall deliver reading and mathematics benchmark assessment test materials for grades 3-8. Delivery includes test books, answer sheets, custom reporting services, Pre-ID labels, and Pregridding. Vendor will provide at no additional cost district profile summary reports for both tests and presentation packets. Chief Area Officers will receive area specific district profile summary reports.

Quantities: as ordered

Unit Price: as specified in contract Total Cost Not to Exceed: \$4,200,000.00

## **OUTCOMES:**

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

#### COMPENSATION:

Vendor shall be paid in accordance with the unit prices contained in the agreement; total not to exceed the sum of \$4,200,000,00.

## **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 Officer of the Office of Teaching and Learning to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this 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: Citywide - Research & Accountability Charge to: Various Schools and Area Offices

Not to exceed \$4,200,000.00

Xxxx-Xxx-53305-Xxxxxx-Xxxxxx-2011 \$1,000,000.00

11290-115-53305-223012-000000-2011 \$3,200,000.00

CFDA#: Not Applicable

## **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:

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OPAL L. WALLS
Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:

DIANA'S. FERGUSON Chief Financial Officer Approved:

RON HUBERMAN Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form;

PATRICK J. ROCKS General Counsel