DEBARMENT OF INSTALLATION PLUS, JOHN WILMSEN, NORTON'S SUPPLY & SERVICE CO., JOHN MAJEWSKI, ARCHITECTURAL SYSTEMS, AND JAMES CHAVEZ

THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REPORTS THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Education of the City of Chicago ("Board") permanently debar INSTALLATION PLUS, JOHN WILMSEN, NORTON'S SUPPLY & SERVICE CO., JOHN MAJEWSKI, ARCHITECTURAL SYSTEMS, AND JAMES CHAVEZ (hereinafter "Respondents") from doing any business with the Board.

On December 7, 2014, the Board's Chief Procurement Officer filed and served on Respondents a Notice of Proposed Debarment ("Notice"), initiating a debarment proceeding against them, based upon the Office of the Inspector General's report concluding that Respondents engaged in stringing of the purchases of various school supplies across various vendor numbers, thereby violating Board Rule 7-11 and 7-12, sections 5/33E-2(i-5) and 5/33E-18(a) of the Illinois Criminal Code, and Sections 2(c), 2(e), 2(h), 2(i)(1, 2, 3, 6, 9, 18) and 2(k) of the Board's Debarment Policy.

Section 4.5(d) of the Debarment Policy provides that a failure to respond "to any allegation in the Notice shall be deemed an admission of that allegation," and that if "Respondent[s] fail to file a timely Answer to the Notice . . . all of the allegations . . . shall be deemed to be admitted." Respondents Norton's Supply & Service Co., John Majewski, Architectural Systems and James Chavez failed to file any response to the Notice. Installation Plus and John Wilmsen submitted Answers in response to the Notice.

Based on the facts set forth in the Notice and supporting documentation, and upon reviewing Respondents' Responses, the Chief Administrative Officer recommends that the Board adopt the findings of the Inspector General and permanently debar Respondents Installation Plus, John Wilmsen, Norton's Supply & Service Co., John Majewski, Architectural Systems and James Chavez from doing any business with the Board, effective immediately.

LSC REVIEW:

LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

TIM CAWLEY

Chief Administrative Officer

AFFIRMATIVE

ACTION STATUS:

Affirmative Action review is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL:

None.

GENERAL

CONDITIONS:

None.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

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