

March 28, 2001

**APPROVE CONSENT DECREE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
OF DEBARMENT ACTION OF DAVID ANDALCIO, ABBOTT INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CO.,
D&D ELECTRONICS, AND INTERFACE CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS, INC.**

THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

That the Chicago Board of Education approve the Consent Decree and Settlement Agreement, which provides for a fine in lieu of debarment. David Andalcio, Abbott Industrial Supply Co., D&D Electronics, and Interface Cellular Communications, Inc. submitted a \$26,000 payment to the Board, and supplied computer equipment valued at \$20,000 to the Board. In its Notice of Debarment against David Andalcio, Abbott Industrial Supply Co., D&D Electronics, and Interface Cellular Communications, Inc. ("Respondents"), the Board alleged that the Respondents participated in deceptive business practices, including falsely reporting a theft of computer equipment to the Chicago Police Department, and then improperly obtaining an insurance payment for this alleged theft.

DESCRIPTION: Section 1.1, 1.3, 2.2(b)(1), 2.2(b)(3), 2.2(d)(2), and 2.2(e) of the Board's Debarment Policy and Procedures (the "Policy") provides for debarment of businesses and their "affiliates," participants," and "principals" (as defined in the Policy) from participation in the Board's procurement transactions and activities for failure to perform in accordance with the terms of Board rules, policies, agreements or transactions, violation of contract provisions and requirements, violations of Board Rules and Policies, for the commission of any other act indicating a lack of business integrity or honesty. Further, Section 2.2(a)(1) of the Policy provides for debarment based upon "commission of a fraud...in connection with...performing a public ...agreement or transaction." Section 2.2(a)(3) of the Policy provides for debarment based upon commission of...theft, ... falsification, .. making false statements, submitting false information, or making false claims." Section 2.2(a)(4) of the Policy provides for debarment based upon a "civil judgment for commission of any...offense indicating a lack of business integrity or honesty." Pursuant to the Policy, "civil judgment" is defined as including disposition of a civil action "whether entered by verdict, decision, settlement, stipulation or otherwise creating a civil liability for the wrongful acts complained of".

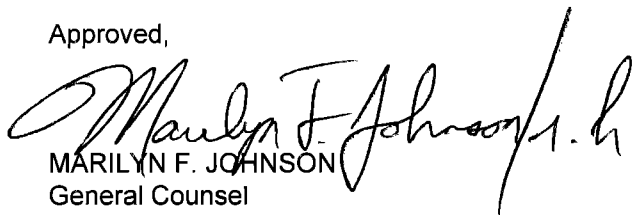
LSC REVIEW: LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

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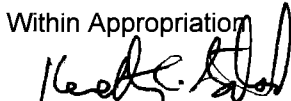
ACTION STATUS: Affirmative Action review is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: None.

Approved,


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General Counsel

Within Appropriation


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