

**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 \$100,000.00. 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.

Specifications No.: 01-250009

**VENDOR:** Chicago Press Corporation  
1112 North Homan Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60651  
Contact person: Nancy A. McKinght  
Tel. No.: (773) 276-1500  
Vendor # 50052

**USER:** Office of Accountability  
125 South Clark Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Chicago, IL 60603  
Contact person: Adalbert Kouba  
Tel. No.: (773) 553-2335

**TERM:** The term of this agreement shall commence on March 29, 2001 and shall end on June 30, 2001.

**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 second semester of the 2000-2001 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	U.S. History
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 quantities:

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Description</u>
298,000	Multiple Choice Exams (11 subjects)
298,000	Constructed Response Exams (11 subjects)
14,100	Rubrics (11 subjects)
8,000	Instruction Booklets

**DELIVERABLES:** Vendor shall deliver CASE multiple choice exams, constructed response exams, rubrics and instruction booklets in the quantities specified by May 7, 2001.

**COMPENSATION:** Vendor will be paid in one lump sum after all services have been rendered and products delivered in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00.

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

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** The services and products to be delivered by this vendor are subject to the provisions of the Revised Remedial Plan for M/WBE Economic Participation. Every good faith efforts will be made by this vendor to achieve compliance with the applicable goals.

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

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to Office of Accountability \$100,000.00                      Fiscal Year: 2001  
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:**

  
Natalye Paquin  
Chief Purchasing Officer

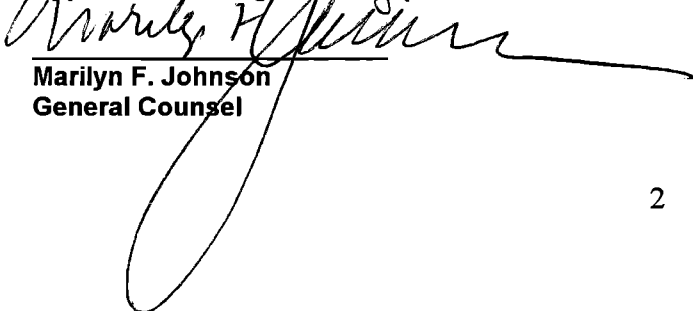
**Approved:**

  
Paul G. Vallas  
Chief Executive Officer

**Within Appropriation:**

  
Kenneth C. Gotsch  
Chief Fiscal Officer

**Approved as to legal form:**

  
Marilyn F. Johnson  
General Counsel