

May 23, 2007

**APPROVE SETTLEMENT OF DEBARMENT PROCEEDINGS AGAINST COLLINS MAINTENANCE
INC. AND DEBORAH COLLINS BY ACCEPTANCE OF VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION**

THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

That the Board of Education of the City of Chicago ("Board") approve the voluntary exclusion of Collins Maintenance Inc. and Deborah Collins ("Collins Respondents") in settlement of the debarment matter against the Collins Respondents. The Board sought to debar the Collins Respondents, as well as Monahan's Landscape Company, Inc. and Aidan Monahan ("Monahan Respondents"), and R.O.H.A.R. Trucking, Inc. and Roland Harper ("R.O.H.A.R. Respondents") for allegedly engaging in conduct that violated Board Rules and policies, including the Board's M/WBE policies, to wrongfully enable Monahan's Landscape Company, Inc., to participate in sheltered market opportunities that were not otherwise available to it, and to wrongfully benefit the Collins Respondents, who performed no work for the Board.

The Monahan Respondents and the R.O.H.A.R. Respondents were debarred by the Board at its meeting on February 28, 2007, after the Hearing Officer found them in default. See 07-0228-AR8.

The Collins Respondents, who appeared before the Hearing Officer to contest the entry of debarment by default, have agreed to a 20-month period of voluntary exclusion under Section 3.1 of the Board's Debarment Policy, 00-0322-PO1, beginning June 1, 2007 and ending January 31, 2009. The General Counsel recommends the Board approve this settlement.

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

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

FINANCIAL: None.

**GENERAL
CONDITIONS:** None.

APPROVED,



PATRICK J. ROCKS
General Counsel

WITHIN APPROPRIATION:



JOHN MAIORCA
Chief Financial Officer