

**AUTHORIZE THE FINAL RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH HITEC GROUP INTERNATIONAL, INC. FOR  
TELETYPEWRITER (TTY) SERVICES AND SUPPORT**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Authorize the final renewal agreement with Hitec Group International, Inc. ("Hitec") to provide TTY services to the Board at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Compensation Section of this report. A written document exercising this option is currently being negotiated. Due to the uncertainty of E-Rate funding, The Board will pay the full amount of each approved monthly invoice then use the Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement (BEAR) process to recover any costs that may be eligible for Federal subsidies under the E-Rate program. No payment shall be made to Hitec Group International, Inc. ("Hitec") during the option period prior to execution of the written document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this option is stated below.

Specification Number : 10-250049

Contract Administrator : Solomon, Mr. Alex M / 773-553-2280

**VENDOR:**

- 1) Vendor # 16374  
HITEC GROUP INTERNATIONAL, INC  
P.O. BOX 446  
HINSDALE, IL 60522-0446  
Richard Uzuanis  
630 654-9200

**USER INFORMATION :**

Project  
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Chicago, IL 60603  
  
Zalewski, Miss Kathryn Lucille  
  
773-553-1300

**ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:**

The original Agreement (authorized by Board Report #10-1117-PR7) in the amount of \$629,535.00 was for a term commencing July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2014, with the Board having two (2) options to renew for one (1) year term each. The agreement was renewed (authorized by Board Report #13-1120-PR9) for a term commencing July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015. The original agreement was awarded on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-2.

**OPTION PERIOD:**

The term of this agreement is being renewed for one (1) year commencing July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016.

**OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:**

There are no option periods remaining.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

Hitec will continue to provide the Board with a Textnet TTY communications system, maintenance, training and support services for a network of six hundred (600) user licenses. Textnet is a shared, digital TTY communications system that provides a seamless integration of the public switched telephone network, the Internet and the Board's data network to enable telephone calls to be made by people who are deaf, hard of hearing or speech restricted. Since the system utilizes the Board's current data network and existing PCs, no additional hardware or equipment is required. Hitec provides 60 hours of free staff training for each year of the agreement and provides on-going support as needed.

**DELIVERABLES:**

Hitec will provide the Board with Textnet TTY services through the end of fiscal year 2016.

**OUTCOMES:**

Hitec's services will result in the Board being in compliance with legal mandates of the Americans with Disabilities Act, sections 504 and 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, IDEA and Section 255 of the Telecommunications Act through the end of fiscal year 2016.

**COMPENSATION:**

Vendor shall be paid during this option period as follows: Upon monthly invoicing  
Estimated annual costs for this option period are set forth below:  
FY 16, \$175,500.00

**AUTHORIZATION:**

Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written option document. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the option document. Authorize the Chief Information Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this option agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:**

The M/WBE goals for this agreement include: 25% MBE and 5% WBE participation. However, the Office of Business Diversity recommends a partial waiver of the MBE goal as required by the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services Contracts be granted, as the scope of the contract is nor further divisible.

The Vendor has identified the following participation:

Total WBE - 100%  
Hitec Group International  
1743 Quincy Ave., Suite #155  
Naperville, IL 60540  
Contact: Richard Uzuanis

**LSC REVIEW:**

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

**FINANCIAL:**

Fund: 115  
Information and Technology Services, 12500  
FY 16, \$175,500.00  
Not To Exceed: \$175,500.00  
Future year funding is contingent upon budget appropriation and approval.

**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 May 25, 2011 (11-0525-PO2), 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:



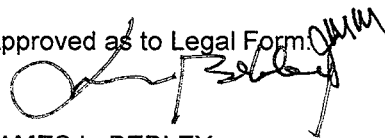
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Chief Executive Officer

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