DEBARMENT OF PATRICK'S CONSTRUCTION & CARPENTRY, INC.; J. LEWIS CONSTRUCTION, INC.; PATRICK LEWIS; AND JOYCE LEWIS

THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Education of the City of Chicago ("Board") permanently debar Patrick's Construction & Carpentry, Inc.; J. Lewis Construction, Inc.; Patrick Lewis; and Joyce Lewis ("Respondents") from doing any business with the Board.

Following the Office of the Inspector General's recommendations in Report 16-01294, the Board's Chief Procurement Officer served Respondents with a Notice of Proposed Debarment on November 18, 2017, initiating debarment proceedings against Respondents for their violations of Board Rule 1-12. Specifically, Respondents engaged in "stringing," which is defined as the structuring of a contract or job order to avoid competitive bidding requirements (720 ILCS 5/33E-2(1-5)). The Chief Administrative Officer has reviewed the record (as defined in section 4.5(10) of the Board Policy) and recommends permanent debarment.

Based on the facts set forth in the record as defined in section 4.5(10) of the Board policy, the Chief Administrative Officer recommends that the Board adopt the findings of the Inspector General and permanently debar Respondents from doing any business with the Board effective immediately. All existing contracts between the Board and Respondents are terminated. Respondents are ineligible to act as a subcontractor or supplier to any existing or future Board contracts.

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:

JORGE MACIAS

Chief Administrative Officer

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JOSEPH T. MORIARTY

General Counsel