DEBARMENT OF TARANJEET GULATI AND TG CONSULTING

THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Education of the City of Chicago ("Board") fully and permanently debar Taranjeet Gulati ("Gulati") and TG Consulting from doing any business with the Board.

On August 27, 2009, the Board's Chief Purchasing Officer filed and served a Notice of Proposed Debarment ("Notice"), pursuant to the Board's Debarment Policy and Board Rules, recommending full and permanent debarment. This Notice initiated a debarment proceeding against Gulati and TG Consulting, which asserted, among other things, that Gulati and TG Consulting obtained purchase orders in excess of \$25,000.00 by dividing the price of the services among different budget units despite the fact that TG Consulting provided services only to one unit at the Board. The Notice also alleged that Gulati used the TG Consulting vendor name and number to obtain these purchase orders in knowing violation of the Board Rules and Policies and without a written contract. These violations were committed during fiscal years 2007, 2008, and 2009. The Office of the Inspector General's investigative finding stated that this conduct indicated a lack of business integrity.

The Chief Administrative Officer, in reviewing these written submissions, has determined that the conduct of Gulati was so egregious that Gulati and TG Consulting should be fully and permanently debarred from doing any business with the Board, effective immediately.

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.

APPROVE

Chief Administrative Officer

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

Patrick J. Rocks

General Counsel

WITHIN APPROPRIATION:

Christina Herzog

Acting Chief Financial Officer