AUTHORIZE FINAL RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH NOCTI FOR THE PURCHASE OF TECHNICAL COMPETENCY PRE AND POST TESTS

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize the final renewal agreement with NOCTI for the purchase of technical competency pre and post tests for Early College and Career at a total cost for the option period not to exceed \$82,250.00. A written document exercising this option is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Vendor 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.

Contract Administrator:

Knowles, Miss Demetra / 773-553-3256

VENDOR:

1) Vendor # 96818 NOCTI 500 NORTH BRONSON AVE. BIG RAPIDS, MI 49307 Heidi Speese 800 334-6283

USER INFORMATION:

Project

Manager:

13725 - Early College and Career

125 S Clark Street

Chicago, IL 60603

Rudofsky, Ms. Sarah E

773-553-2108

ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:

The original Agreement (authorized by Board Report 11-1026-PR4) in the amount of \$141,700.00 was for a term commencing December 10, 2011 and ending December 9, 2012, with the Board having two (2) options to renew for one (1) year terms. This agreement was renewed (authorized by Board Report 12-1114-PR2) for a term commencing December 10, 2012 and ending December 9, 2013. The original agreement was awarded on a non-competitive basis: the sole-source request was presented to the Non-Competitive Procurement Review Committee and approved by the Chief Procurement Officer.

OPTION PERIOD:

The term of this agreement is being renewed for one (1) year commencing December 10, 2013 and ending December 9, 2014.

OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:

There are no option periods remaining.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

NOCTI shall continue to provide assessments to support the implementation of CPS' CTE programs. The estimated number of students to be tested for both pre-tests and post-tests are based on enrollment

numbers from 2013-2014. Juniors will take the pre-test in all pathways. The seniors will take the post-tests. NOCTI will also provide study guide kits, which includes a teacher manual and student editions.

DELIVERABLES:

NOCTI will continue to provide assessments to support the implementation.

OUTCOMES:

This project was developed to positively impact CTE Students allowing them to take a nationally-recognized assessment based on industry standards. In an effort to revitalize and standardize the curriculum, it is critical to ensure that our assessments are standardized on a national scale, valid, and reliable. NOCTI's services will result in teachers using curriculum-embedded, national, industry-validated assessments, to ensure quality of instruction and to monitor student learning. Teachers and administrators will be able to drive standardized data from this assessment in order to evaluate and improve instruction. Because the curriculum is being aligned to national standards and the NOCTI assessments are aligned to national standards, NOCTI will allow CTE stakeholders to see the strengths and disparities in what the students are learning. NOCTI will also be used as a lever with post-secondary institutions to attain articulation agreements for our students.

COMPENSATION:

Vendor shall be paid during this option period as specified in the renewal agreement; total not to exceed the sum of \$82,250.00.

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 Chief Officer of Pathways to College and Career to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this option agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:

The M/WBE goals for this agreement include 25% total MBE and 5% total WBE participation. However, the Office of Business Diversity recommends granting a waiver of the M/WBE goals for this agreement as it was reviewed by the Non-Competitive Procurement Review Committee and approved by the Chief Procurement Officer, due to grant stipulating that this specific vendor be used along with the fact that supplies, materials, parts, and/or equipment are only available form this vendor.

LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL:

Fund 369, total amount not to exceed \$82,250.00 FY14 and FY15

Early College and Career - Parent 13725

Early College and Career - Citywide 13727

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:

SÉBASTIEN de LONGEAUX Chief Procurement Officer Approved:

BARBARA BYRD-BENNETT Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form.

JAMES L. BEBLEY General Counsel