

**RATIFY AN AGREEMENT WITH WEST ED FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

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

Ratify an agreement with West Ed for consulting services provided to the Office of the Chief Education Officer. ~~at a cost not to exceed \$124,134. These services were obtained without prior Board approval. Consultant was~~

selected on a non-competitive basis because West Ed is the premier agency in the country providing support to school districts in the area of standards alignment, assessment and accountability. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Consultant prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically proceed in the event a written agreement

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** The M/WBE goals for this contract include: 35% total MBF, 22% total African American,

10% total Hispanic, 0% total Asian and 5% total WBE

However, the Waiver Review Committee recommends that a *full* waiver of the M/WBE participation goals for this contract, as required by the Revised Remedial Plan be granted because the scope is not further divisible

**LSC REVIEW:** Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to Chief Education Office - \$124,134      Fiscal Year: 2003  
Budget Classification: 0105-242-356-7873-5410      Source of Funds: NCLB - 242  
**Requisition Number:**

**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