

OF THE LAW FIRM
SOCIATES, L.L.C.

AUTHORIZE CONTINUED RETENTION
EARL L. NEAL & ASSOCIATES

DECISION:

THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING

DESCRIPTION: The General Counsel has continued to retain the firm Earl L. Neal & Associates, L.L.C. to provide legal services and to provide monthly reports for the annual improvement program. Additional authorization for the firm's anticipated fees is requested in the amount of \$200,000. As invoices are received, they will be reviewed by the General Counsel and, if satisfactory, processed for payment.

LSC REVIEW: LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS: The firm is an MBE.

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Budget Classification Fiscal Year 2003

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General - Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Board has the authority to conduct periodic evaluations and that the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.6 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board Members during the one year period following expiration of their term of office.

Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995, (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, made a part of the agreement.

Indebtedness - The Board's Indebtedness Policy is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics Policy adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RI13) as amended from time to time, is made a part of the agreement.

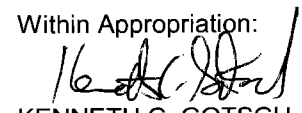
Ethics - The Board's Ethics Code is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is subject to the annual budgetary process.

Contractor's Liability - The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is subject to the annual budgetary process.

MARILYN H. JOHNSON
General Counsel

Approved:  

Within Appropriation:

KENNETH C. GOTSCH
Chief Fiscal Officer