

August 25, 2004

APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ASCL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES, INC.

FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES

THE BUIFF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with ASCL Educational Services, Inc. for consultant services at a cost not to exceed \$250,000. The company will provide soft skills training curriculum for high school students, centered around subjects such as punctuality, corporate culture, attitude, interviewing skills, and team work. It will also provide school-based staff development and support for the curriculum. ASCL was selected on a non-competitive basis because it is the only vendor that meets project requirements and

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid as follows: monthly payments based on invoices not to

exceed a total of \$250,000

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: None


AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize the

agreement.

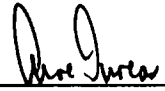
AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: The M/WBE goals for this contract include: 35% total MBE, 22% total African American, 10% Hispanic, 2% total Asian and 5% total WBE.

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 contract scope is not

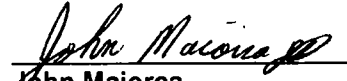
Approved for Consideration:


Heather A. Obora
Chief Purchasing Officer

Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form 


Ruth M. Moscovitch
General Counsel