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BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
County of Cook and State of Illinois

LEGAL RESEARCH SERVICES
WEST PUBLISHING CORPORATION
OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL
DISTRICT OFFICE

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that it is necessary to obtain access to computerized legal research software and services in order to conduct legal research as needed for the legal affairs of the District;

that West Publishing Corporation provides on-line legal research software and companion services called WestLaw which is commonly used in the legal field for legal research;

that WestLaw provides quick, easy access to West's vast collection of statutes, case law materials, public records, and other legal resources along with current news articles and business information;

that the Office of the General Counsel will be purchasing access to the Corporate Counsel Legal Research Library (Primary law with legal research library), Illinois Analytical Library and WestNews;

that the Office of the General Counsel seeks to enter into a three year agreement with West Publishing Company beginning March 1, 2006 through March 1, 2009 with the following pricing:

Year One - \$1582.88 monthly for a total amount of \$18,994.56
Year Two - \$1646.20 monthly for a total amount of \$19,754.40
Year Three - \$1712.05 monthly for a total amount of \$20,544.60

that the purchase of computer software is exempt from competitive bidding; and

that the Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the above referenced legal software services opportunity and has determined that since there are no MBE or WBE legal research software publishers or distributors, it is recommended that a waiver from compliance with the Board's Participation Plan be approved.

THE CHANCELLOR

RECOMMENDS

that the Board of Trustees authorize the Chairman to enter into a three year agreement with West Publishing Corporation beginning March 1, 2006 and ending March 1, 2009 for a not to exceed price of \$59,293.56.

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Not to Exceed \$59,293.56:
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Year Three - Not to exceed - \$20,544.60 -00003- 0022501-546100-80000-00000-000000

Respectfully submitted:

Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor

March 8, 2006 - District Office - General Counsel Office