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**ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMUNITY**  
**COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508**  
**JUNE 11, 2009**

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

NATURAL GAS PURCHASE CONTRACT  
LOCK IN AGREEMENT NOVEMBER 2009 – APRIL 2010  
ALL DISTRICT FACILITIES

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that locking in favorable gas pricing for the district provides budget stability with utilities; and

that gas pricing has trended further downward for the last several months; sometimes requiring an expeditious authorization to enable the District to take advantage of the best possible price; and

that Administrative Services has been closely tracking gas prices with its supplier Integrys Energy Services and the Technical Resource Manager from Johnson Controls and it has been determined that it is in the best interest of the District to lock in a gas price of \$0.639 per therm which is \$0.20 less than last year's lock in rate; and

that the District's gas supplier purchased 1,300,000 therms of gas, which represents 75% of the district's average usage for the winter months, at the lock in rate for the District's consumption over the course of the upcoming winter months; and

that the purchase of natural gas is exempt from competitive bidding; and

that the Board will continue to receive reports on the utility costs and purchases; responding appropriately in the best interest of the District; and

that the Office of Contract Compliance has reviewed the above referenced transaction and determined that the opportunities for direct participation for certified Minority and Women Owned businesses are limited for this commodity and therefore a waiver from compliance with the Board approved Participation Plan is recommended.

THE CHANCELLOR

RECOMMENDS

that the Board of Trustees ratifies the Chairman's approval of the lock-in pricing contract with Integrys Energy Services for the winter 2009-2010 months thereby purchasing 1,300,000 therms of natural gas at \$0.639 and authorizes the Chairman, Chancellor, or Associate Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services the continuing authority to sign utility lock-in contracts at times when the pricing is advantageous to the District.

FINANCIAL

\$830,700 – District Wide Utility Account 05501- dept – various – 00076 – 00000-571100

Respectfully submitted:

Wayne D. Watson  
Chancellor

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