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**ADOPTED - BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508  
OCTOBER 2, 2013**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508  
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

**PURCHASE OF PRODUCE AND SPECIALTY ITEMS  
TESTA PRODUCE COMPANY  
WASHBURNE CULINARY INSTITUTE  
KENNEDY-KING COLLEGE**

**THE CHANCELLOR RECOMMENDS:**

that the Board of Trustees approves the issuance of a purchase order to Testa Produce Company for the purchase of produce goods at a total cost not to exceed \$100,000.

**VENDOR:** Testa Produce Company  
4555 South Racine  
Chicago Illinois 60609

**USER:** Washburne Culinary Institute – Kennedy-King College

**ORIGINAL TERM:**

The term of this purchase will commence no sooner than October 2, 2013 and end on September 30, 2014 with 3 options to renew.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

Testa Produce Company will provide fresh produce, specialty items and full access to their Farm Logix program for the Washburne Culinary Institute in support of culinary instruction and catering.

**BENEFIT TO CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO:**

A key success factor for the Washburne Culinary Institute (WCI) is providing students with exposure to a wide variety of produce. Developing individual contracts with the volume of distributors necessary to provide an adequate amount of exposure has been a challenge nor is that model administratively efficient. This relationship is a great alternative. Buying from Testa Produce Company and the FarmLogix program will provide access to over 300 local farms through one distributor. Farmers truck in orders to one of three FarmLogix aggregation centers who will then deliver to WCI and issue only one invoice instead of many from multiple farms.

Additionally, the local farmers are focused on providing healthy and fresh foods. This is a core mission for WCI; exposing WCI students and the KKC community with access to healthy eating (WCI feeds a large of segment of the community via its Sikia, the Parrot Cage and Fountain Café restaurants). Lastly, the online system will assist with inventory management and the timely ordering of items that are low on stock.

**DELIVERABLES:**

Testa Produce Company will provide WCI with full access to the Farm Logix program and deliver fresh produce and specialty items as needed.

**VENDOR SELECTION CRITERIA:**

Testa Produce is the distributor and is a sole source provider of the FarmLogix program. Pursuant to state law, goods or services that are procurable from only one source are exempt from the District’s competitive bidding requirements. Additionally, Testa Produce is being granted the rights to utilize the FarmLogix technology platform. This is an online ordering platform which will provide access to the local farms and pursuant to state law, all contracts for the purchase and delivery of data processing equipment, software and services are exempt from the District’s competitive bidding requirements.

**MBE/WBE COMPLIANCE:**

The Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the above referenced amendment request and recommends a waiver or the Board Approved Participation Plan due to the sole source nature of the agreement and in turn, no opportunities for subcontracting.

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General- It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to cooperate with the Inspector General for City Colleges of Chicago in any investigation conducted pursuant to the Inspector General’s authority under Article 2, Section 2.7.4(b) of the Board Bylaws.

Ethics – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to comply with the applicable Provisions of the Board’s Ethics Policy adopted January 7, 1993, and as amended by the Board.

Contingent Liability – Pursuant to Section 7-14 of the Illinois Public Community College Act, all agreements authorized herein shall contain a clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year.

**FINANCIAL:**

**Total FY14-15:** \$100,000

**Charge To:** Washburne Culinary Institute—Kennedy-King College

**Sources of Funds:** Auxiliary Fund

FY14: 541200-07005-1240300-60000

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Cheryl L. Hyman  
Chancellor**

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