SUPPORTING AGENDA DATA BOARD OF DIRECTORS, EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER, REGION 20

May 2, 2012

SUBJECT: BRAILLE CONTRACT WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

EXPLANATION: ESC-20 has been providing Braille services for the state of Texas since 1988.

ESC-20 also provides these services for other states. California is the only state, outside of Texas, that holds a formal contract with ESC-20 to provide these services. ESC-20 and the California Department of Education first entered into a contract around 2000. The agreements between ESC-20 and the California Department of Education have been for one-year terms. The California Department of Education, Clearinghouse for Specialized Media

and Translations, has requested a multi-year agreement with ESC-20.

ACTION: It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves the multi-year contract with the California Department of Education, Clearinghouse for Specialized Media and Translations and authorization of the Executive Director to negotiate and enter into multi-year contracts for Braille transcription, reproduction and proofreading services as opportunities arise.

Respectfully submitted,

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