OFFICE OF INSTRUCTIONAL ENHANCEMENT AND INTERNAL OPERATIONS Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Item April 19-20, 2012

OFFICE OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT

13. <u>Approval to renew contract with The Riverside Publishing Company for Fiscal Year 2013 for the Mississippi Science Tests in Grades 5 and 8</u>

Awarded Vendor: The Riverside Publishing Company

Rolling Meadows, Illinois

<u>Scope of Project</u>: The Mississippi Science Assessment Program contract renewal includes services for Fiscal Year 2013. The contractor will provide services and products related to printing, scoring, and reporting of these assessments for the tenth year of the ten-year procurement including, but not limited to, the following services:

- One annotated Practice Test in a Word Document for each grade will be delivered:
- One form for Braille and Large Print Test Booklets will be printed and distributed;
- A two-day Data Review Meeting in June 2013 in Jackson, Mississippi. Twelve
 (12) teachers per grade will participate in the teacher review meetings per grade for a total of 24 teachers:
- The contractor will provide technical information and support and participate in the biannual Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meetings; and
- An updated Technical Manual will be delivered to the Mississippi Department of Education.

Personnel associated with this contract are not former Department employees or related to any Department employee.

Scope of Contract:

• Term of Contract Renewal: September 1, 2003 – June 30, 2013

• Cost of Current Contract: \$7,928,560

• Renewal Increase: \$1,003,681

• Total Cost of Contract Renewal: \$8,932,241

Method of Award: Request for Proposals

Funding Source: Federal funds

Recommendation: Approval