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OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

14. Approval to renew the contract with Evergreen Evaluation & Consulting, Inc., for Fiscal Year 2014 as the project evaluator for the State Personnel Development Grant, Realizing Excellence for All Children in Mississippi (REACH MS)

Awarded Vendor: Evergreen Evaluation & Consulting, Inc.

Jericho, Vermont

<u>Scope of Project:</u> The contract renewal includes services for Fiscal Year 2014. The project evaluation for REACH MS will focus on the achievement of the specific project goals and objectives as measured by the USDOE's performance indicators for the third year of a five-year procurement.

REACH MS focuses primarily on supporting school-wide and district-wide implementation of Positive Behavioral Intervention and Support (PBIS) at the elementary, middle, and high school levels. REACH MS is implemented through University of Southern Mississippi and MDE serves as the fiscal agent.

Renewal of contract for years four and five will be determined annually and shall be contingent upon the successful completion of the preceding year's contract and the availability of funds.

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

Scope of Contract:

• Term of Contract Renewal: October 18, 2011 – June 30, 2014

• Cost of Current Contract: \$ 122,500

• Renewal Increase: \$ 70,000

Total Cost of Contract Renewal: \$ 192,500

Method of Award: Request for Proposals

Funding Source: Federal Funds

Recommendation: Approval