

**OFFICE OF INSTRUCTIONAL ENHANCEMENT AND INTERNAL OPERATIONS**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**May 17-18, 2012**

**OFFICE OF HEALTHY SCHOOLS AND CHILD NUTRITION**

B. Approval to renew contracts for distribution of food and non-food products to local organizations in the State Food Purchasing Program

Awarded Vendor:           Briggs, Inc.  
                                  Corinth, Mississippi

                                  Crumbley Paper Company  
                                  Laurel, Mississippi

                                  Merchants Company  
                                  Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Scope of Project: Under the State Food Purchasing Program (Mississippi State Law 37-11-7{3} and State Board Policy 2008), sealed, competitive bids were solicited for distribution of food and supply items on behalf of participating organizations. Contracts were awarded to the lowest and most responsive bidder. Contracts were originally issued July 1, 2008, for two years with three optional one-year renewal periods. We are requesting to renew these contracts for the third one-year period. The contracted distributors will deliver the food and supply items to participating Child Nutrition programs in all seven regions of the State. Payment will be made directly to the contracted distributor by the local organizations.

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract Renewal:           July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2013
- Cost of Current Contract Renewal:   No MDE funds will be expended
- Method of Award:                    Invitation for Bids

Recommendation: Approval