04-016

METROPOLITAN AREA NETWORK CONNECTIVITY AND

LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIER SERVICES

PREPARED BY:

Sandy Wanner, Buyer/Contract Specialist

FINANCIAL

RESPONSIBILITY:

Greg Malone, Manager, Technology Services, Information

Technology Services

Sharlene Norton, Manager, Telecommunications,

Information Technology Services

APPROVED BY:

Randy McEwen, Vice-President, Administrative Services

Jesus "Jess" Carreon, President

REPORT:

The College's Information Technology Services (ITS) Department has a need to contract with qualified vendor(s) to provide Metropolitan Area Network ("MAN") Connectivity, and Local Exchange Carrier Services, both to support each of PCC's eight (8) locations. MAN applications include incoming and outgoing video, voice and data service at each site as well as transport between sites and to the Pittock Building. The vendor(s) will be responsible for installing and supporting products and services that are necessary to provide voice, data and video.

Depending on availability of vendor service coverage, the College may have to issue more than one contract per service for:

- Incoming and Outgoing Lines
- Communication Links Between Campuses

A Request for Proposals (RFP) was advertised and released on May 20, 2003. The RFP was advertised in the Daily Journal of Commerce, on the State of Oregon VIP System and on the PCC/Purchasing Web Site. Copies of the RFP were downloaded from the PCC Web Site by thirty-one (31) vendors. A total of six vendors (6) submitted proposals by the deadline of June 18, 2003. Award will be made to the proposer(s) with the highest total points, based on a possible point score of one hundred (100) points.

The following is a list of vendors and their scores per contract:

*Incoming and Outgoing Lines

Vendor:	Score:
SBA Communication Management	69
Qwest	63
Electric Lightwave, Inc.	89
MCI	57
Allegiance Telecom	29

*Communication Links Between Campuses

Vendor:	Score:
Qwest	67
Electric Lightwave, Inc.	87
MCI	41
Verizon	57

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Directors accept the proposal from, and award the contract to, Electric Lightwave, Inc., for both services: Incoming and Outgoing Lines and Communication Links Between Campuses. This contact will begin

November/December 2003 and go through

November/December 2008. The total contract amount will be, not-to-exceed, \$ 3,723,030.00. The funds for this

project will be from the Utility Account.