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AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE AN INTER-

GOVERNMENTAL COOPERATIVE CONTRACT FOR ACQUISITION OF SUN SERVER EQUIPMENT

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REPORT:

Technology Solutions Services (TSS) Department has a need to purchase replacement hardware to support the increasing demands of the "MyPCC" portal. After much in-depth discussion with SunGard SCT technical staff, as well as other colleges and universities running the Luminus Portal product, TSS staff has determined that Sun Servers will be the only hardware solution that is scalable with the needs of PCC. The solution is a clustered Sun server environment that mirrors what SunGard SCT/Luminus uses to develop the Portal application. We plan to utilize an existing intergovernmental cooperating contract (allowable without a competitive process per College Procurement Rules, CCR 214). TSS Department is estimating that the cost of the purchase will exceed the \$100,000 threshold. requiring the Board of Directors approval (B505).

TSS Department would like to utilize the Western State Contracting Alliance (WSCA) contract with Sun Microsystems, Inc., contract number A85627. This contract is valid through August 31, 2007 (with an option to renew for two additional years). By utilizing the cooperative contract, it will allow the TSS Department staff to work with vendor right away for the installation and purchase of necessary equipment.

WSCA is an inter-state cooperative group established to achieve cost-effective and efficient acquisition of quality products and services. Cooperative contracts were developed by member states, which consist of Oregon, Alaska, Washington, California, Idaho and several other states.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the TSS Department staff to utilize an intergovernmental contract for the acquisition of Sun Server equipment such as: Sun Fire V490s, V345s, T2000 and T1000 servers and other necessary equipment from Sun Microsystems, Inc. based on their WSCA contract (#A85627). The estimated cost of the purchase will be \$300,000 (will spend in FY 07 and FY 08). Expenditure will be funded by General Fund.