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AUTHORIZATION TO CONTINUE USING INTER-
GOVERNMENTAL COOPERATIVE CONTRACTS FOR
THE ACQUISITION OF UNINTERRUPTIBLE POWER
SUPPLIES (UPS)

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REPORT: On January 17, 2013, through BA 13-060, the Board of Directors authorized the purchase of UPS (uninterruptible power supply) equipment from CDW-G through the cooperative contract with Inter-Mountain Education Service District. Spending authority specified was \$1,052,871. The UPS equipment is needed to meet the power supply requirements of new buildings, and for existing equipment upgrades, to provide increased backup power for network connectivity. The estimated cost for this project exceeds the \$150,000 threshold, which requires the Board of Directors approval.

Within the existing, previously approved Board Authority amount, department staff wish to include USCommunities Government Alliance cooperative contracts and other cooperative contracts that might become available between now and end of the Bond Program, as additional resources when acquiring UPS equipment. Department staff would like the opportunity to do price comparisons between cooperative contracts and select the most advantageous quote that meets the College's needs and requirements. PCC is a member of the US Communities Alliance. The College Procurement Rules (CCR 214) allow the use of cooperative contracts without issuing a competitive process.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Directors' approve the use of US Communities Government Alliance and other cooperative contracts that might become available, in addition to using Inter-Mountain Education Services District contract with CDW-G, for the purchase of UPS equipment through end of the Bond Program. The estimated cost for UPS purchases remains at the originally-approved \$1,052,871. Funding will be from the 2008 Bond Fund.