March 13, 2007

Marin County Board of Supervisors 3501 Civic Center Drive San Rafael, CA 94903 with Ross Valley Paramedic Authority (RVPA)

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the purchase of equipment to for the MERA program through Motorola, our current provider of MERA equipment.

SUMMARY: Funding was secured through a Homeland Security Grant for 2006 by the Marin County Office of Emergency Services. As a result of the planning process \$45,000 was designated for the purchase of additional MERA radios and accessories.

We are requesting the sole source purchase of radios and accessories from Motorola in Rohnert Park, California. The County of Marin has partnered with Motorola to equip the MERA program and to our knowledge is the only company that can meet the standards we have identified. Although other vendors provide equipment and supplies, we have been working with Motorola on this project since its inception. The key factor in the interoperability of the MERA equipment is ensuring all equipment meets the specifications of the program. This equipment will enhance our current supply of radios and increase communication ability in the event of a large scale emergency incident.

In addition the funding source for these trailers is a Homeland Security Grant, (SHS04) State Homeland Security, which has time constraints to meet in order to claim for reimbursement.

FISCAL IMPACT: SHS06—OES Fund Center 2600041000, OES Cost Center 2600041100, Functional Area 100000264104001, Fund 22020 and Grant number 2028-SAP Purchase requisition number is still pending.

REVIEWED BY:

] Auditor-Controller	[]	N/A
] County Counsel	Ī]	N/A
] Human Resources	[]	N/A

Respectfully Submitted,

Kenneth Massucco Fire Chief