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From: Apao, Bill
Sent: Tuesday, April 04, 2006 10:44 AM
To: Celotti, Stella; Drawbaugh, Bob
Cc: Goldwyn, Charon
Subject: FW: Data Master ordering

Importance: High

Stell and Bob, FYI...I've contacted Stuart Schurr and sent him your review and recommendation. I asked him for an assessment of James Mongeon's concerns and advice that we not adopt an instrument that doesn't have the weight of case law behind it.

But I wanted to confirm one thing....I believe I understood from our discussion that NPS is discontinuing production of the next oldest model, i.e., the one that the newest model replaces. Presumably, that model would have been tested in court. So did I hear that right, and purchasing that model is not an option for us?

I'll try to get this decision made this week. Then we should try to get the bid moving ASAP.

Bill

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From: Goldwyn, Charon
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Bill, Stella,

Regarding bid vs. order on the Data Masters, Dawn Williams responded below....I would add a justification memo outlining the reasons you would like to use a particular company. Please keep in mind that this needs to get completed quickly or the money will be lost.

As a side note...this will also add an additional \$150,000 to our financial impact issue. But, we should move ahead as this is a one time "gift".

This would have to go through the bid process because of the price and due to the fact that there ARE other vendors available. Making your specifications as detailed and complete as possible will ensure that whomever gets the bid will meet your needs exactly. Also, per current state purchasing policies, anything over \$10,000 needs to be reviewed and authorized by the Secretary of Administration.