

MEMORANDUM
COUNTY OF PLACER
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT
PROCUREMENT SERVICES DIVISION

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors
FROM: David Seward, Purchasing Manager 
DATE: June 13, 2006
SUBJECT: Recommendation to Approve a Purchase Order to Tier Technologies for Software Maintenance and Support in the amount of \$108,082.00

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve a purchase order to Tier Technologies, Inc. for maintenance and support of the PAS application software, and authorize the Purchasing Manager to sign the resulting purchase order in the amount of \$108,082.00.

BACKGROUND

In May 1997, the County contracted with KPMG Peat Marwick (also known as KPMG Consulting) for the acquisition of the Performance Accounting System (PAS). The County first began using the system for its financial activity in July of 1998, but implementation of the system's various functions continued through July 1, 2001, at which time the maintenance phase began. Contracting for maintenance provides standard revisions and updates to the software without additional charge, and technical support by phone or mail for problems or questions on an as-needed basis.

In 2002, KPMG Consulting was acquired by Tier Technologies, Inc., who has extended the same level of service and support to all PAS clients. The current maintenance agreement with Tier will expire June 30, 2006. Maintenance of this software is only available from Tier. Additionally, Section 1.3(i) of the Purchasing Policy Manual exempts this service from competitive bidding.

FISCAL IMPACT

The County Executive Office has budgeted for this expense within the Countywide Systems Fund.

cc: Clark L. Moots, Director of Administrative Services
Gayle Bast, Deputy Director for Information Technology
Candi McCord, Deputy Director for Administrative Services

