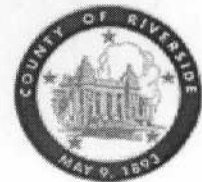


**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Mental Health Department

SUBMITTAL DATE:
OCTOBER 4, 2005

SUBJECT: Approval of a sole source purchase with Krassons, Inc.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve a sole source purchase with Krassons, Inc., to purchase upgrades to XM Plus to Unlimited License for single instance of CHARON VAX/XL for Windows and Gold support for one year.
2. Authorize the County of Riverside Purchasing Agent to execute the purchase on behalf of the County.

BACKGROUND: In September of 1989, the Department purchased from PSP, Inc., VAX (Virtual Address Extended) mini-computer, which performs the Department's client, tracking, billing and state reporting systems functions. With the successful implementation of the VAX Charon emulator solution, our hardware maintenance fees for FY 05/06 are greatly reduced. On March 15, 2005, item # 3.27 the Board approved the sole source purchase and installation of the Charon - VAX Emulation Software.

JW: EM

Jerry Wengerd

Jerry Wengerd, Director
Department of Mental Health

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 30,000	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	2005/06

SOURCE OF FUNDS: State-100%	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

County Executive Office Signature *Dan Maiting*

Dep't Recomm.: Policy
Per Exec. Ofc.: Policy

 Consent
 Consent

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 03/15/05, 3.27 | **District:** ALL | **Agenda Number:**

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Purchasing: *M. [Signature]*
 Director
 IT DEPT
 Departmental Concurrence

SUBJECT: Approval of a sole source purchase with Krassons, Inc.

BACKGROUND: (cont'd)

The installation of the new hardware and the Charon VAX emulation software produced the desired results in providing a stable hardware environment in addition to improved batch processing performance. Batch processes are operating at optimal Input/Output (faster disk drives) and CPU capacity, but are lacking sufficient memory resources to run properly.

The initial pre-implementation analysis did not reveal a large demand for increased memory. However, because the new emulated VAX has a much faster CPU and disk drives, this resulted in a memory bottleneck. This will require, not physical memory, but a memory license upgrade to the system to emulate more memory. This will remedy the current batch processing performance problem and provide for future growth in expanding user processes, batch processes, and database queries.

Sole Source:

The reason for the sole source is that the software known as Charon-VAX is a product of Software Resources International (SRI), which is based in Switzerland. It is the policy of SRI in the U.S. to sell through a limited set of preferred partners who have been trained and certified in supporting their product set. These partners register customer accounts with SRI and are assigned as exclusive suppliers to those accounts.

The assigned partner for Riverside County is Krassons Incorporated dba Platton Technologies. Therefore, Krassons Incorporated is the sole source supplier for SRI's product line. A review by County Purchasing confirms this assessment.

The maximum amount for this purchase is \$30,000.

Price Reasonableness:

The pricing of the Charon-VAX memory license upgrade has been deemed to be fair and reasonable based upon discounts granted to the County for the purchase of the Charon-VAX software.