THE CHANCELLOR RECOMMENDS:

that the Board of Trustees approves the issuance of a purchase order to Rohde & Schwarz USA, Inc. for the purchase of a DVS-Venice multichannel video server system for the period from September 4, 2013 through September 3, 2014, at a total cost not to exceed $99,959.

VENDOR:  
Rohde & Schwarz USA, Inc.  
8661A Robert Fulton Drive  
Columbia, Maryland 21046-2265

USER:  
WYCC PBS Chicago – Kennedy-King College

TERM:  
The term of this purchase will commence on September 4, 2013 and shall end on September 3, 2014.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:  
Rohde & Schwarz, Inc. will provide a DVS-Venice four (4) channel record and playback video server which enables a completely tapeless workflow for ingest, playback and transcoding of popular broadcast formats. The purchase will also include Spycer content management software, Avid workflow option, encoding and multi-viewer software, all necessary cabling and interfaces, and an extended two year warranty for support. Rohde & Schwarz will provide one day of on-site installation and commissioning of the server, as well as training of the engineering staff.

BENEFIT TO CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO:  
WYCC is using older video servers that are at the end of life for the product line, and lack the capability to provide our end user at our hosted master control site the correct video file format for broadcast. In addition, the existing servers do not allow our media manager to view finished video files for air to confirm proper audio/video levels. This upgrade will allow WYCC to retire aging, non-supported equipment with a robust, fully supported and industry leading server that affords WYCC the ability to transfer video files directly into our Avid editing system, increasing operational efficiency. Adding this server will position the station for growth with a better tool for quality control of finished media as well as providing a more direct integration to our edit environment.

VENDOR SELECTION CRITERIA:
Rohde & Schwarz USA, Inc. is the manufacturer of this server. Pursuant to State law, purchases and contracts for the use, purchase, delivery, movement or installation telecommunication and interconnect equipment, software and services are exempt from the District’s competitive bidding requirements.

**MBE/WBE COMPLIANCE:**
The Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the above referenced amendment request and recommends a waiver of the Board Approved Participation Plan due to the nature of the vendor selection and product to be purchased (server) and in turn, no opportunities for subcontracting.

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**
Inspector General – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to cooperate with the Inspector General for City Colleges of Chicago in any investigation conducted pursuant to the Inspector General’s authority under Article II, Section 2.6.4(b) of the Board Rules for Management and Government.

Ethics – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to comply with the applicable Provisions of the Board’s Ethics Policy adopted January 7, 1993, and as amended by the Board.

Contingent Liability – Pursuant to Section 7-14 of the Illinois Public Community College Act, all agreements authorized herein shall contain a clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year.

**FINANCIAL:**
Total FY14: $99,959

**Charge To:** WYCC
**Sources of Funds:** Capital Funds

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl L. Hyman
Chancellor

September 4, 2013 – WYCC PBS Chicago – Kennedy-King College