

MARIN EMERGENCY RADIO AUTHORITY

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DATE: November 13, 2013

TO: MERA Executive Board

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SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM **C-1**: PROPOSED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BY AND BETWEEN MERA AND
THE COUNTY OF MARIN
IN SUPPORT OF THE NEXT GENERATION
RADIO SYSTEM

Recommended Action: Recommend MERA Governing Board approval of the Proposed Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) by and between Marin Emergency Radio Authority and the County of Marin in Support of the Next Generation Radio System.

Background: The proposed MOU between MERA and the County of Marin is a non-binding pledge of support for the Next Gen Project in concept that does not commit either party to any Next Gen Project. It outlines the general purpose of the Project, confirms the parties’ awareness of same, confirms their mutual cooperation and defines their respective roles and relationship to the Project, describes Project revenue options and scheduling, discusses environmental review, includes a general financing plan and planned outreach activities related to the Project.

Proposed term of the MOU is two years after signing.

Since MERA General Counsel Ortiz developed the first draft for review by the County, Operations Officer Tackabery has taken the lead in obtaining County Counsel’s input. After the MERA Governing Board approves the MOU, it will be submitted to the County Board of Supervisors for their approval.

ATTACHMENT: C-1a Proposed Memorandum of Understanding By and Between
MERA and the County of Marin