

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO CONTRACT WITH DELL,  
INC. (DELL) TO PURCHASE SOFTWARE AND HARDWARE TO UPGRADE COG'S  
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS**

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) uses information technology (IT) systems to run its business; and

**WHEREAS**, COG's IT systems require large amounts of data storage, which can be expensive; and

**WHEREAS**, new technologies exist that can consolidate storage requirements into a single system, providing tangible benefits in terms of cost, system recovery, scalability and performance; and

**WHEREAS**, COG staff conducted a competitive review and solicitation for this capital purchase.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:**

The Executive Director or his designee is authorized to execute a contract with Dell, Inc., to purchase software and hardware for a storage area network (SAN), in an amount not to exceed \$95,000. The budget for this purchase is included in the approved FY 2006 budget under the capital expenditures and contingency line item. As a capital expenditure, this purchase will be amortized for three years and the annual cost will be recovered through COG's indirect cost allocation plan.