

**Resolution R54-2015
October 14, 2015**

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
777 North Capitol Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20002-4290**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS FOR CLOUD ENABLED BACKUP SOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) owns and operates an enterprise grade information technology environment; and

WHEREAS, reliable data backups are an essential component to information technology operations; and

WHEREAS, COG's current tape backup environment is both at the end of useful hardware life and also no longer meeting backup time and capacity requirements; and

WHEREAS, COG issued a Request for Proposals and a technical selection committee unanimously selected the proposal from PCM and Barracuda Networks; and

WHEREAS, cloud enabled backup will provide faster backup and recovery times and meet long term storage as required by COG's records retention policy; and

WHEREAS, COG performed a cost analysis and determined that the \$500,000 solution from Barracuda Networks has a 50% less 5-year total cost of ownership compared to \$1M for traditional tape backup; and

WHEREAS, funding for the solution will be provided by the IT Operation Budget for FY2016 and will be split 50% with the Department of Transportation Planning beginning in FY2017.

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 enter into contracts not to exceed \$500,000 with PCM and Barracuda Networks for the procurement and installation of their cloud enabled backup solution submitted in response to the Request for Proposals. The funds for this project are included in COG's approved IT Annual Operating Budget for FY2016. Additional funding for 50% of the annual depreciation expense will be provided by the Department of Transportation Planning beginning in FY2017.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of Directors on October 14, 2015.

**Monica Beyrouti
Clerk to the Board of Directors**