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MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 17, 2006
TO: MERA Executive Committee
FROM: Martin J. Nichols, Executive Officer
SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM D: MERA – CHP INTEROPERABILITY

With funding made available from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, the California Highway Patrol (CHP) proposes to acquire equipment that will allow MERA radios to communicate with the CHP. Attached is a copy of the presentation they made to the police and fire chief in Marin.

The policy questions are:

- 1) MERA may have a superior technical solution to the equipment proposed by the CHP.
- 2) The CHP wants to execute an operating agreement to share operating and maintenance costs.
- 3) The CHP wants MERA to participate in a regional coordinating group on interoperability issues.

Representatives of the CHP will be at your meeting to make a presentation on this project.