PNC/MLA Group Purchasing Committee Report to the PNC Board February 10, 2010

The PNC/MLA Group Purchasing Committee held a phone conference meeting on Tuesday, January 19, 2010. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss how to disseminate information on group purchasing opportunities to the PNC membership and what specific information should be included.

The conclusion of the Committee members was that the PNC/MLA website was the vehicle of choice to inform PNC members of current vendor contracts in effect, eligibility requirements for participation, and contact information for the Group Purchasing Coordinator or vendor representatives as appropriate.

Pat Devine has volunteered to be the Committee web liaison and will work with Leilani St. Anna to facilitate the posting of group purchasing information.

Kenneth H. Willer, MLS, Samaritan Health Services in Corvallis, Oregon has joined the Committee. Other committee members include:

Pam Spickelmier, Chair Robin Braun, PNC Group Purchasing Coordinator

Patricia Devine Dana Kopp Heidi Adams Cathy Burroughs Kathy Martin Melanie Jones

Nancy Henderson

Goals of the Group Purchasing Committee are to:

- Assist the Group Purchasing Coordinator through recommendation or evaluation
 of potential new products to be considered for group purchase. Collaborate with
 the Group Purchasing Coordinator in negotiation of pricing and contract terms
 where appropriate.
- Promote and disseminate information on group purchasing opportunities to PNC/MLA membership and interested others.
- Act as liaison to the PNC Board regarding issues relevant to group purchasing.
- Re-establish history where possible of current group purchasing arrangements (i.e. qualified participants, pricing structure, terms of contracts, etc.)

Respectfully submitted,

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