

Memo

To: Commission Members

From: Darlene Staffeldt, State Librarian

Date: March 17, 2010

Re: Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) for resource sharing and federation items

You will find included in this packet two documents:

1. The first item is labeled Montana Administrative Register 8 and is our proposed response to the comments received. The Administrative rules procedures require that you approve this response document.
2. The item labeled MAR Notice No. 10-10-100 is the original rule change notice and has the full text of the proposed changes. Again, Administrative rules procedures require that you take action on adoption or not of these changes.

I hope you can support both of these pieces as we finalize this process.

If you adopt the changes they will go into effect as of July 1, 2010.

If the Commission adopts the rule changes there will be no ILL reimbursement in FY11, but because we are already into FY10 and the rules have not been changed yet, there will be ILL reimbursement with the FY10 monies. Additionally the MSC and OCLC bills have already been paid for FY10 so the monies can not be put there for this year. The FY10 ILL reimbursement checks will go out in August most likely. The FY11 checks to MSC and OCLC will also be issued in July/August/September timeframe so the billings to the libraries will be reduced by the appropriate amounts.

Additionally, if you adopt the federation funding rule change, it will not affect the FY10 distribution to the libraries but will go into effect with the FY11 budget.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.