

TO: CDC Task Force on e-Books

FROM: Lucia Snowhill, Chair, UC Collection Development Committee

The Collection Development Committee identified a need for developing a set of guiding principles for collecting books in electronic format, in the broader context of system-wide monographic collection development, shared print goals, mass digitization projects and preservation. The Task Force should concentrate on e-monographs rather than on electronic reference works.

This Task Force is charged to

- Identify system-wide synergies and possible opportunities for consortial purchase of e-books.
- Develop a method(s) for UC librarians to make recommendations to JSC/CDC for consortial purchase of multi-disciplinary (or multi-publisher) e-book packages and services.
- Examine the integration of e-books with other shared collections initiatives such as shared print and mass digitization.
- Propose preferred models for rights management of e-books within the context of consortial collection development.
- Investigate the extent to which the University of California should seek to influence the market regarding the implementation of desired business and access models. Develop guidelines for vendors, providers and agents.
- Develop best practices to make e-books most useful for instruction and research within the University of California.
- Develop guidelines for the intentional duplication of electronic and print titles.
- Propose CDC's "Principles for Acquiring and Licensing e-Book Packages and Services – Commercial and Non-Commercial." Include methods and requirements for post-acquisition assessment.

Please submit a progress report to me by August 10, 2007 and your final report and guidelines for the development of e-book collections by December 2007.

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