

To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

From: Kevin Marsh, ACOC Representative

Subject: Discussion paper: Serials and changes to mode of issuance – is a new description always needed.

ACOC thanks the ISSN International Centre for this discussion paper.

We agree that a change in mode of issuance for serials/integrating resources should not result in a new description if the title and media type remain the same. The boundary between serials and integrating resources is often blurry and publications may vary the mode of issuance during their life without changing the title, the essential nature of the content, or the media type.

We would support a proposal to implement such a change in RDA.