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Group Purchase of Wilson Select Database: Pricing Finalized

Illinois Library Systems are pleased to announce a group purchase of the Wilson Select Plus database for 2008/2009. The pricing for this product provides a significant savings from list pricing and allows libraries to continue to provide excellent full text resources to the people of Illinois.

In addition, we are also pleased to announce that OCLC and Wilson have agreed to turn the Wilson Select Plus database on for a trial period. This trial period will allow continuing access to your institution and provide you with a minimal amount of interruption in service.

Illinois Library Systems pricing is based on library type and population served. The price represents the price for your agency, such as a school district and all buildings or a public library and its branches. We believe that this pricing structure is very competitive and provides Illinois Libraries of all types with a substantial savings over list price. It shows once again that when we work together, we can accomplish so much more for the people of Illinois.

Attached to this press release, you will find a break-down of the pricing and an agreement to confirm your commitment. Letters of commitment should be signed and returned to:

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Your signed commitment agreement must be received no later than September 15, 2008. Amanda McKay can be reached for questions regarding this offer at 618.656.3216, ext. 143, or by email at amandamckay@lcls.org.

Wilson Select Plus provides online indexing and abstracting of a wide range of high-quality periodicals with all records pointing to full text articles. It is updated weekly and has coverage from 1994 to the present. There are over 1.5 million records from 2,393 sources. We know that for many libraries, the Wilson Select Plus database is the only access patrons have had to full-text articles, making this resource vital to the people of Illinois in meeting their information needs.

Illinois Library Systems are membership-based, regional organizations consisting of academic, public, school, and special libraries. Illinois is served by nine multitype Library Systems, each providing services to participating libraries in its region. Statewide, over 2,200 libraries of all types and sizes are members of Library Systems. Funding for Illinois Library Systems is provided through the Illinois State Library and the Secretary of State with funds appropriated by the Illinois General Assembly.