## **Statewide AV Holds Proposal**

Given the high patron demand for AV transfers between systems, as well as the conclusion of the AV Packaging Test and its subsequent recommendations, I propose that PINES allow AV transits between systems, initiated by patron holds. The current <u>policy</u> states:

Restricted Holds on Age-Protected Items and Audio-Visual Materials Audio-visual items and age-protected items are only available for holds by patrons registered to the owning library/region, and are only available for pickup within the item's owning system. [2007.02]

A-V Items and Other Restricted Items Under normal circumstance, PINES does not allow intra-PINES loans on the following item categories:

Audiobooks CDs Deposit (monetary) **DVDs** Bestsellers Equipment Leased Materials Microforms New Books Outreach Reference Reserve Software Toy Videocassettes Video Games

I propose that we remove (but consider individually) Audiobooks (circulation modifiers: audiobook and audiobook-ff), CDs (circulation modifiers: music and music-ff), DVDs and Videocassettes (circulation modifiers: video-0, video-0-ff, video-2, video-2-ff), and Video Games (circulation modifier: videogame) from this restricted list. These items will be appropriately age-protected. (Please note that some libraries may not currently apply age-protection to AV items when cataloging, so may need to update cataloging templates and do some data work to apply age-protection to new and recently purchased AV items.)

#### Packaging

Based on the <u>AV Packaging Test Committee Report</u>, libraries should be required to follow a specific packaging method for AV items to minimize case (and potentially disc) breakage. All

items should be packaged in reusable, unsealed bubblewrap mailers of a sufficient size to fully enclose the case. It is recommended that library staff not tape or seal the mailers, so that the mailers can be reused multiple times. In order to add extra protection, those mailers can also be placed between books within a bag if being sent to the same location.

### **Cost Outlay**

After consultation with PINES staff about expected demand, PINES members should consider an initial group purchase of around 10,200 reusable bubblewrap mailers. 10,200 mailers equates to 2 boxes of 100 mailers per each of the 51 PINES library systems. The purchase of these mailers may be coordinated either through a volunteer library system as the fiscal sponsor or through individual libraries ordering their own mailers and submitting proof of purchase to PINES.

This below example of a bubble wrap mailer would meet the requirements as determined by the AV Packaging Test Committee:

# Uline Bubble-Lined Polyolefin Mailers #2 - 8 1/2 x 12"



#### SELF-SEAL

Water-resistant and tear-proof mailer protects delicate products.

- Extra smooth surface is perfect for handwriting or labeling.
- 3/16" bubble lining gently cushions and protects on the inside.



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MODEL	OUTSIDE	USABLE	BAG	QTY./ LBS./		PRICE PER CASE				IN STOCK
NO.	W x L	W x L	#	CASE	CASE	1	3	5	10+	SHIPS TODAY
S-7545	8 <sup>1</sup> /2 x 12"	8 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> x 10 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> "	2	100	5	\$34 per case any quantity			1 ADD	