

To: RDA Steering Committee

From: Ebe Kartus, ACOC Representative

Subject: Adding controlled vocabulary to RDA 3.19.6, *Regional Encoding*, and to the Glossary

ACOC thanks ALA for tackling this complex issue. However, ACOC does not support the proposal.

We are generally in support of widening the scope of the instructions. We agree that if data is recorded more consistently it can be used for machine manipulation and support trying to do this.

However, considering the work the RSC has done in removing vocabularies from the RDA text ACOC is loath to add a new one. We acknowledge the issues highlighted in the proposal on the existing vocabularies. Given this inconsistency and the difficulty in maintaining the definitions, very similar reasons given for the removal of the vocabulary at 3.19.3, ACOC does not believe this is a task for the RSC.