Cataloging Acquisitions Department Annual Report  
July 1, 2005–June 30, 2006

The goals of the Cataloging Acquisitions Department are to acquire materials in a timely and cost effective manner, to process gifts in accordance with library policies, to provide statistics for collection management staff, to provide accurate financial reports, to manage the ordering and receiving subsystem efficiently, to provide catalog access to newly acquired materials quickly, efficiently, and accurately; to improve catalog access or to provide access for retrospective materials; to provide authority control for names, subjects, and series titles; and to physically process the materials. The department met these goals, especially in several significant areas.

TRENDS AND HIGHLIGHTS

I. CATALOGING DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

MONOGRAPHIC UNIT: ACQUISITIONS: Unit personnel made significant progress in refining and streamlining acquisitions procedures and work flow in order to maximize efficiency in time and cost effectiveness of purchasing library materials. The documentation of procedures also resulted in better communication with staff in other library departments. Examples are:

1. The establishment of a dedicated e-mail account for communicating requests for rush materials and a specific “in” file for written rush order requests and one for replacement requests
2. Posting a list of rush items to prevent their being overlooked
3. Closer scrutiny of academic department spending levels
4. Implementation of a definite priority hierarchy
5. Date stamping order requests as they come in so as to adhere more accurately to a “first-come, first-served” policy for processing
6. A file was created for each selector so that in FY07 selectors will be able to verify the status of orders

RUSH ORDERS AND CATALOGING: In FY06, 182 titles were RUSH ordered and received or RUSH received. For all formats (including 6 serial titles), 188 titles were RUSH cataloged.

SPECIAL FORMATS CATALOGING UNIT: Elaine Dong was hired as the new Head of the Special Formats Cataloging Unit and assumed her position September 28, 2005. With the assistance of Mikey King and Deb Kulczak, Elaine quickly learned the local procedures for processing and cataloging theses and dissertations and local authority procedures. With the assistance of Cheryl Conway and Cathy Reineka, Elaine interviewed and hired her first employee, Sarah Loch, half-time LAT II, in May 2006. Elaine has successfully trained Sarah to process theses and dissertations and is training her to work with microfilms and other formats. Due to Elaine’s efficiency, catalogers in the other units are now free to concentrate fully on the supervision of their units.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS announced that LC catalogers will no longer provide series authority control. Catalogers do not yet know what the impact of this decision will be on our cataloging workflow and will monitor the situation.
OCLC converted the Union List to the MARC21 HOLDINGS FORMAT. Angela Hand, Julie Thacker, and Cheryl Conway studied the new format and have been using the new format in the Union List on OCLC Connexion Browser.

**ELECTRONIC RESOURCES AND ONLINE ACCESS:**

The acquisition and cataloging of electronic resources continues to have an impact on the department.

- Mary Walker loaded 182 records for Knovel online books and 2,839 records for the Wright American Fiction online books.
- Elaine Dong cataloged 76 online books in the ASCE online conference proceedings collection. With Beth Juhl, she created 121 brief bibliographic records for the Referex electronic books collection to provide faster access to these resources. As time permits, the brief bibliographic records will be replaced with full MARC records.
- Cheryl Conway cataloged 152 online dictionaries in the Oxford Reference online books collection.
- One Hundred Six more Wiley e-books were ordered January of 2006. Forty of those had bibliographic records provided by the publisher in a record set (April 2006). All titles were cataloged by Rose Cody.
- Angela Hand and Julie Thacker cataloged or recataloged 948 electronic journals. This represents an 18% increase over FY05.
- The University Graduate School has been planning for submission of digital theses and dissertations; this new procedure is currently being tested. Elaine Dong will reevaluate procedures and workflow as needed when this change is permanent.

**RECORD MAINTENANCE AND GLOBAL UPDATE FUNCTION:**

Deb Kulczak used the MilCat Global Update Function to quickly change location codes when the Audio Visual Department changed its name to Performing Arts and Media. All location codes with “av” were converted to location codes beginning with “md”. Cheryl Conway was also able to use this function to change the location names in the LIB HAS notes.

Cheryl Conway made extensive use of the Global Update Function to transfer 5,015 titles and 31,483 volumes to LISA in August 2005.

**II. CATALOGING DEPARTMENT PARTICIPATION IN CURRENT INTERDEPARTMENTAL PROJECTS**

**LISA STORAGE PROJECT:**

Juana Young, Assistant Dean, is the manager of this major University Libraries project. A new university facility has been built, and the portion of this building which was designed for the University Libraries is named the Library Storage Annex (LISA). In FY06, contractors moved an additional 31,483 volumes to LISA. Charles Lee, trainer from Smead, gave his training presentation on January 27, 2006.
Cheryl Conway continues work on this project as a member of the subcommittee SmeadLinks Records Group. Her main tasks in FY06 were to prepare Access files for the 31,483 items transferred from Main, Compact and the library branches to LISA and for the 134 theses and dissertations and the 318 serials volumes. Todd Cantrell had the authorization to load the latter records. Physical transfer and scanning to LISA shelf locations will hopefully take place soon.

**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS RECLASSIFICATION OF DEWEY DECIMAL SERIALS:**

In June 2006, Andrea Cantrell, Angela Hand, Tim Nutt, Geoffrey Stark, Julie Thacker and Cheryl Conway began a series of meetings to plan the reclassification of the remaining Special Collections Dewey Decimal serials to Library of Congress classification. Angela developed a reclassification form to track the process for each title and workflow plans were put into place. At this time, SPEC COLL OV FLAT titles are being reclassified.

Margaret Smith Ross collection:

In June 2006, Tim Nutt of the Special Collections Department began to coordinate the work of cataloging approximately 1,000 books with Judy Culberson and Mikey King.

**TRANSFER OF CDROMs AND DISKETTES FROM CIRC TO PERFORMING ARTS AND MEDIA:**

Cheryl Conway met with Lora Lennertz-Jetton and Tim Zou to discuss the transfer of all cd-roms and diskettes from the Circulation desk to the Performing Arts and Media Department. After the Library Administrative Group approved of the proposal, Cathy Reineka, Deb Kuleczak, and Julie Thacker were assigned to carry out the transfers and withdrawals. All cd-roms have been either transferred or withdrawn. A small portion of the diskettes were processed and those diskettes supplementary to serials remain to be processed.

**III. DEPARTMENTAL PROJECTS-COMPLETED:**

ASCE online conference proceedings: 76 titles cataloged by Elaine Dong and 9 cataloged by Cheryl Conway, completed in April 2006.

David Malone collection: 2,339 books cataloged by Judy Culberson, Melissa Gatlin, Janell Prater, and Mary Walker. This project was completed in December 2005.


**IV. DEPARTMENTAL PROJECTS IN PROGRESS**

Kenneth L. Brown Collection: Project total of cataloged titles increased from 2,183 to 2,245. Approximately 450 books in a variety of languages remain to be cataloged. Many need transliteration, subject analysis, and/or original cataloging.

Arkansas Cookbook Collection: An additional 282 titles were acquired by Doris Cleek, bringing the total titles acquired to 964 and the total volumes acquired to 1,017. Tim Nutt decided to stop ordering cookbooks for this collection in spring 2006. Judy Culberson and Mikey King cataloged
an additional 191 cookbooks to bring the project cataloging total to 771 titles. It is anticipated
that the cataloging of this collection will be complete in FY07.

Nudie Williams Collection: Doris Cleek is responsible for ordering replacements for this
collection; Melissa Gatlin and Janell Prater are cataloging the titles. By June 2006, they had
cataloged 178 titles. The number of titles in the collection is not known.

Replacement Project: In June 2006, Doris Cleek, Mary Walker, and Carol Warriner started a
project to process a backlog of replacement orders. Doris is writing procedures for this project
and will train and supervise Carol. Mary has general oversight of the project.

Progress on barcode projects continues; significant totals are:

- Serial Barcode cleanup  42,701 item records created
- Analytics Barcode cleanup  13,318 titles converted
- Microfilm Barcode cleanup  18,077 item records created, edited, verified
- Book No Barcode project  6,273 item records created

For more details of the department’s online project lists, use this link to find the project summary

V. HIGHLIGHTS OF 2005/2006 STATISTICS:

The cataloging department continued to handle a significant number of new materials and maintain a
good workflow. There is no significant backlog of orders for new materials or of new materials
waiting to be cataloged. The only significant backlog is the replacement orders.

- In FY05, a one time increase in funding caused the acquisition of monographic materials to
  increase by 22%. With funding dropping in FY06, the acquisition of monographic materials
decreased by 10%.
- The receipt of gifts increased significantly by 47%.
- Cataloging of new titles (all formats) decreased by 28.9%.
- Title transfers increased by 93%; volume transfers increased by 96%. These increases reflect
  the transfer of 5,015 titles and 31,483 volumes to LISA.
- In FY06, 36% more bibliographic records were updated and 46.6% more item records were
  updated. There seem to be three reasons for these significant changes: addition of new staff
to the department, the project to convert all library location codes with “av” to “md”, and the
transfer of 31,483 volumes to LISA.
DEPARTMENTAL STATISTICS

TOTALS:

Statistics for the Law Library, Serials and Government Documents Departments are counted separately. The following reflect the titles and volumes added by the Cataloging Acquisitions Department and the Binding Department.

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**In the Monographic Unit/Acquisitions, monographs received declined by 10% and the number of gifts received increased by 47%.
VI. UNIT HIGHLIGHTS:

DATABASE MAINTENANCE / MUSIC UNIT

Highlights:

*Headings Reports*. Headings report processing for “Other” categories (invalid headings, blind references, duplicate authority records, and duplicate call numbers/other) increased during the period, from 3,144 processed last year to 3,827 this year. Processing is current for these reports.

Processing of first-time-use (FTU) headings decreased from 38,367 last year to 34,081 during the current period. However, the two-month backlog that existed this time last year (largely due to the slowness of Connexion authority file searching) has been reduced to a one-month backlog.

A backlog still exists for FTU reports from the retrospective Marcive load, and for FTU name headings needing to be established, primarily from monographs cataloging. (The music and special formats units generally complete all authority work up front).

*Authority and Database Maintenance Tasks*. Statistics for bibliographic edits showed a marked increase during the period, up from 25,387 last year to 59,798 this year. Item record edits also increased greatly, with 39,117 this year as compared to last year’s 3,413 edits. These gains are mostly the result of the project to change “av” location codes to their “md” replacements.

The analytics clean-up project also showed increased activity during the period. A total of 169 serial titles and 3,075 monograph records were processed, as opposed to 151 serial titles and 2,680 monograph records last year.

The number of headings established by the unit increased from 691 last year to 795 this year. In the area of series authority work, the statistics were higher in several key areas. A total of 113 series titles were processed as part of clean-up, as compared to last year’s 63 titles. The number of attendant conflicts resolved increased from 332 to 622, and the total number of headings checked increased from 337 to 669.

The number of item records created also grew, from 3,128 last year to 10,549 this year. This increase was realized in large part by the completion of a project to add item records for several large electronic resource record sets.

Statistics for processing of *Library of Congress Subject Headings Weekly Lists* decreased from 23,329 last year to 3,681 this year. The number of original authority records entered into InfoLinks by the unit also showed a decrease, from 2,214 last year to 1,819 during the current period. However, there was no backlog of workforms to be entered.

Outlook:

The unit would like to work on updating, writing, and adding more procedures to the department webpage.
The unit did not yet begin work on cataloging the university concert recordings, and it is hoped that this will commence in the coming year. Also, the libraries have received a very large jazz collection (2339 LPs, 34 10-inch records, and 1 reel to reel tape) that we will begin cataloging.

**MONOGRAPHS: ACQUISITIONS AND COPY CATALOGING UNIT**

**Highlights:**

**Acquisitions highlights:**
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**Monographic cataloging highlights:** There are no significant cataloging backlogs of monographic materials.

**Approval plan highlights:**

Approval plan activity continued to expand to improve efficiency in selection of materials during the 2005-2006 year. $298,062.03 was spent on our largest approval plan which is called the expanded academic plan and includes University Press titles which are down from last year’s total of $377,000. The overall amount spent with YBP totaled $550,136.53 for 9605 titles which is down from last year’s total of $575,129.04. 2390 of the 4552 were books that were automatically sent to the library based on criteria set up with YBP. Only eighty-seven (or 4%) of these titles were returned to YBP after being reviewed.

Other approval plans include the Children’s awards books, an Art exhibition catalog plan with Worldwide Books, and an approval plan for German titles from Harrassowitz. The Latin American Approval Plan was dropped because the quality of subject material received was not up to standard. After comparing the data it seems that the average price of a title ordered on the Expanded Academic plan has increased substantially. This may be due to the addition of several more science publishers this year.

For more details of approval plan activity, use this link to find the full report for 2006:
http://libinfo.uark.edu/cataloging/catnews.asp
Outlook:

The unit would like to reduce the backlog of replacement orders to one of no more than six months.

It is anticipated that the university procurement card will continue to be a valuable tool for Doris Cleek to acquire materials in a timely manner.

The unit would like to continue work on updating, writing, and adding more acquisitions procedures to the department webpage.

The unit would like to make significant progress in the cataloging of the Nudie Williams collection.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS CATALOGING UNIT

Highlights:

The Special Formats Cataloger position was vacant until September 28, 2005. Mikey King continued to assume the original cataloging duties for theses and dissertations as well as managing the process of accepting these materials and sending them to ProQuest/UMI. Mikey worked with Elaine Dong, Special Formats cataloger, to orient her into local cataloging practices and procedures. The successful transfer of theses and dissertations cataloging to Elaine allowed Mikey to begin planning work on maps cataloging and Special Collections cataloging projects. With new staff, Tom Dillard and Tim Nutt in place in Special Collections, it is essential that Mikey be available for her primary responsibilities.

Judy Culberson cataloged 109 RUSH titles for the convenience of library patrons. Judy also assisted in other department projects; she processed a significant number of Book No Barcode reports in FY06 and took over the responsibility for processing the withdrawn forms and has eliminated a backlog of these forms.

Outlook:

The unit plans to complete the cataloging of the Arkansas Cookbook Collection.

The unit will work in collaboration with Tim Nutt and catalog materials selected from the Margaret Smith Ross Collection.

SPECIAL FORMATS CATALOGING UNIT

Highlights:

Elaine Dong successfully assumed her position as Head of the Special Formats Cataloging Unit. She has mastered the policies, practices, and workflow in the processing and cataloging of theses and dissertations.

Elaine Dong cataloged the 76 online books in the ASCE online conference proceedings collection under the general oversight of Cheryl Conway. She also cataloged two free online books.
Her cataloging is very accurate and detailed and her approach to such projects is systematic and organized. She has assumed sole responsibility for the Referex online books cataloging project.

Sarah Loch was hired and joined the unit in May 2006.

Outlook:

The unit plans to catalog a backlog of Kinesiology publications, approximately 450 microfiche theses and dissertations.

The unit has assumed the responsibility for the Microfilm Barcode Project and will evaluate the past procedures and practices in view of the current situation.

The unit will catalog the Referex online books.

The University Graduate School has been planning for submission of digital theses and dissertations; this new procedure is currently being tested. Elaine Dong will reevaluate procedures and workflow as needed when this change is permanent.

SERIALS CATALOGING UNIT

Highlights:

The unit lost an LAT II position when Rachel Skoney transferred to InterLibrary Loan in July 2005. The various tasks have been reassigned to the remaining LATs: Julie Thacker and Angela Hand.

914 new print serial titles were cataloged. This represents a 25% increase in copy and original cataloging over FY05.

5,263 serial titles were recataloged; this represents 23% increase in recataloging over FY05.

The transfer of 31,483 volumes to LISA from main, compact, and the branch libraries represents an increase of 97% over the FY05 transfer of 862 volumes. Fortunately, the Global Update function in MilCat permits the creation of lists and the global update of location codes and LIB HAS locations.

To offset the increases in cataloging, recataloging and transferring of serial volumes, progress on the Serials Barcode Project declined. There was a 69% decrease in serial titles converted and a 77% decrease in item records created.

Serials barcode project:

- Total titles for July 2005-June 2006: 564 (69% decrease in titles converted)
- Total of item records created for July 2004-June 2005: 11,588.
• Total of item records created for July 2005-June 2006: 2,620 (77% decrease in total item records created)
• It was expected that the pace of work on this project would decline due to the transfer of one LAT II to another department.

As expected, cataloging and recataloging of electronic journals continued to be a major portion of the unit’s workflow. A total of 751 titles were cataloged or recataloged for 33 different online journal groups. An additional 197 miscellaneous free internet journal titles were cataloged. The total is 948 electronic journal titles for FY06. The total for FY05 was 777. This results in an 18% increase in the cataloging of electronic journals.

Online book sets cataloged:
• ASCE online conference proceedings: Cheryl Conway reviewed the 85 titles and wrote procedures. Elaine Dong performed the cataloging for 76 titles.
• Oxford Reference online book: Cheryl Conway cataloged 152 Oxford online dictionaries.

Outlook:

The addition of electronic journals continues to have a significant impact on the serials cataloging unit. The unit will continue to give these journals a high priority.

The unit will continue to monitor the effect of the transfer of one LAT II position to ILL and Reference. However, it is expected that the unit will need at least a portion of the half-time clerk’s time in the fall.

The unit may expect an impact on workflow due to major transfers of materials. In the FY06 year, Cheryl Conway spent considerable time and effort in planning a method for adding large groups of records to SmeadLink database. The plans will be tested in FY07.

The project to reclassify Special Collections Dewey Decimal serials to LC classification was begun in June 2006. It is expected that Angela Hand, who will coordinate the progress of the project will spend a considerable amount of time on this project. Cheryl Conway will perform original cataloging as time permits and provide LC call numbers as needed. Julie Thacker will also assist as needed.

The OCLC Union List has implemented the use of the MARC21 Holdings Format for local holdings records. Julie Thacker, Angela Hand, and Cheryl Conway have spent considerable time in studying both the format and the results of the OCLC conversion of existing records to the new format. Julie and Angela have attended two Amigos workshops. (Cheryl missed one due to inclement weather and one due to illness.) Further study is needed; Cheryl Conway will attend an Amigos workshop August 28-29 in Dallas. It will be necessary to plan a project to edit microform holdings in OCLC union list as the summary information in over 5,000 records may not display accurately because of a problem with the migration of this data into the new format.
PERSONNEL CHANGES

In July 2005, Rachel Skoney was officially transferred to the InterLibrary Loan and Reference Departments.

On September 28, 2005, Elaine Dong, new Head of the Special Formats Cataloging Unit and special formats cataloger, assumed her position.

In October 2005, Chao Lin resigned. Sarah Loch was hired as half-time LAT II in May 2006.

In May 2006, Natsuki Kuboyama, half-time Clerical Assistant, resigned due to graduation. In June 2006, Ghadir Zannoun was hired to replace her for summer 2006 to transliterate Arabic materials, to assist with the physical processing of new books, and to assist with data entry projects.

PERSONNEL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

BOOK REVIEWS:


LIBRARY OR EDUCATION OUTREACH / PERFORMANCES / CREATIVE WORK

Elaine Dong participated in the “Race for the Cure” on April 22, 2006 at Northwest Arkansas Mall.

Mikey King answered telephones in October and April for KUAF pledge drives.

Deb Kulczak sang in the University of Arkansas Master Chorale, which presented its performance of Carl Orff’s Carmina Burana, April 2006.

CAMPUS COMMITTEES / ACTIVITIES / POSITIONS HELD

Angela Hand is serving as one of two library representatives to Staff Senate.

Mikey King served as a member of two university committees: Catastrophic Leave Bank Committee and Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee.

Deb Kulczak served as a member of the Campus Emergency Preparedness Committee.

Mary Walker served as a member of two university committees: the Landscape and Grounds Committee and the Artists and Concerts Committee.
OUTSIDE PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEES / POSITIONS HELD

Mikey King continues to serve as volunteer reviewer on the panel, “The Gustavus Myers Outstanding Book Awards” for the Gustavus Myers Center for the Study of Bigotry and Human Rights. She completed book reviews for two books:


Deb Kulczak assumed the office of Chair of the Arkansas Library Association’s Resources and Technical Services Division, 2006.

Mary Walker served as the Chair of the Arkansas Library Association’s Resources and Technical Services Division (completed December 2005).

LIBRARY COMMITTEES

All members of the department participated in the statewide Classification and Compensation Study conducted by the Arkansas Office of Personnel Management.

Cheryl Conway served as a member of the following library committees: Strategic Initiatives Cabinet, Collection Management Group, InfoLinks Review Committee, and the Library Reappointment Committee. Cheryl continued to serve on the SmeadLink Records Group a subcommittee of the Library Storage Committee. Cheryl is also Chair of the Cataloging Policies and Practices Review Committee. She also continued to serve as Chair of the Minority Librarian Residency Group until May 2006. Cheryl served as Chair of the Form 7 (Cataloging) Statistics Group.

In June 2006, Cheryl was elected to the Faculty Concerns Committee for two years and she has also accepted the responsibility of acting as library mentor for Tess Gibson, Head of ILL.

Judy Culberson served as a member of the Form 7 (Cataloging) Statistics Group.

Elaine Dong is a member of the Library Diversity Internship Committee. She is also a member of the Cataloging Policies and Practices Review Committee.

Angela Hand is a member of the Library Staff Concerns Committee.

Mikey King served as secretary of the Library Promotion I Committee. She served as a member on two committees: Post Tenure Review Committee and the University Archives Task Committee. Mikey is a member of the Cataloging Policies and Practices Review Committee.

Deb Kulczak is a member of the following library committees: the Cataloging Policies and Practices Review Committee, the Library Special Events Committee, and the OPAC Testing Committee.

Julie Thacker served as the department’s coordinator for work-study employees.

Mary Walker continued to serve as a member of the Web Development Group, PSICC 14/15. She also serves as a member of the Strategic Initiatives Cabinet, the Collection Management Group, the
Faculty Concerns Committee, and the InfoLinks Review Committee. Mary serves as a member of the Cataloging Policies and Practices Review Committee and served as chair of the Form 6 (Acquisitions) Statistics Group. Mary is serving on the Search Committee for Head of Fine Arts Library.

Carol Warriner is serving on the Search Committee for Life Sciences Librarian.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Acquisitions staff attended Gobi training for order acknowledgments presented by Jean Eaglesfield from YBP.

Cheryl Conway, Elaine Dong, Deb Kulczak, Mikey King, and Julie Thacker attended the SmeadLink training session on January 27, 2006.

Cheryl Conway and Elaine Dong attended the presentation, “The University of Arkansas Experience”, by Provost Bob Smith and Vice Chancellor Johnetta Cross Brazzell on March 8, 2006 (Mullins Library).

Cheryl Conway completed the ACCESS workshop program presented by Henry Rowe, University Computing Services, in Mullins Library. The program consisted of six workshops, one per month; the final workshop was held in May 2006.


Elaine Dong and Sarah Loch attended the Campus workshop: “Our Campus: Building a More Inclusive University of Arkansas”, on November 9, 2005 and June 7, 2006 respectively.

Elaine Dong also attended the University New Employee social (February 9, 2006) and a University Human Resources training session, Managing Employee Performance (March 7, 2006).

On Feb. 20, 2006, Angela Hand and Julie Thacker attended an online Amigos Stop and Learn workshop on the topic of the Union List Migration, held in Mullins Library.

Angela Hand and Julie Thacker attended the Amigos Workshop, “OCLC Connexion: Local Holdings Maintenance” on June 1, 2006 in Ft. Smith, AR.

Angela Hand attended the Arkansas Library Paraprofessionals Association’s ALPS Conference on May 17-19, 2006 in Little Rock, AR.

Mikey King attended two pre-conference workshops at the American Library Association in New Orleans, LA: Cataloging Cartographic Materials and Cataloging GIS (June 2006). Mikey attended two Campus diversity workshops: “Religion, a Dimension of Diversity” (September 7, 2005) and “Diversity, People in Russia” (June 8, 2006). She also attended the New Student Convocation (August 2006) and participated in Razorbash.

Deb Kulczak attended the November meeting of the Arkansas Innovative Users Group and
the annual meetings of the Music OCLC Users Group and the Music Library Association. Deb also audited two German classes during the year: “Readings in Current Events” and “Conversation.”

Sarah Loch is working towards a M.S. degree in Library Media & Information Technology.

Mary Walker attended the Arkansas Innovative Users Group conference, June 2, 2006. She also attended the University New Employee social (February 9, 2006)

Carol Warriner attended a Campus workshop for "Working Effectively with Patrons with Disabilities" on February 15, 2006.