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[Reissued 15 June 1993--this copy should be easier to read]

Contents: 1. Periodical Abstracts Ondisc (PAI); 2. FY94 budget.

1. UMI's Periodical Abstracts Ondisc (PAI) is one of the popular CD-ROM data bases that we have available in reference. It provides abstracts to articles in 977 currently published magazines (more if you include recently discontinued and ceased titles). We currently subscribe to 712 of these (including CCE titles). For some of the more popular titles (*Glamour*, *Mademoiselle*, *Popular mechanix*) we only subscribe to the microfilm. This decision (mfilm only subscription) may need to be readdressed if the indexing becomes more current than in the past. Statistics as follows:

Total titles covered: 977

URI has current: 712 (73%)

URI lacks current: 265 (27%)

Many of the titles are strictly recreational, and would not be a high priority purchase for URI. 108 of these titles [see attached list] are also covered by the Expanded Academic Index and one or more of the Wilson indexes. Many of these would be top priority new subscriptions.

2. FY94 Budget.

With the near certainty of insufficient funds to maintain all current serials, we will need to review the higher-priced serials for possible reductions. This will enable us to focus on a few titles rather than the entire list of serials.

In addition, under the best of circumstances, we will need to reduce/curtail monograph purchases. The approval plan will be maintained (albeit in reduced form) until the new budget is received, and revised allocations can be made. Firm orders, with extensive justifications, will be considered. Pass on same to me, if there is urgency.