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Agenda Item #8
REPORT #JWDC 2009 - 07

**REPORT TO JUAN DE FUCA WATER DISTRIBUTION COMMISSION
MEETING OF TUESDAY, 3 NOVEMBER 2009**

SUBJECT AMENDMENTS TO THE WATER DISTRIBUTION LOCAL SERVICE CONDITIONS, FEES
AND CHARGES BYLAW

PURPOSE

To recommend approval of amendments to the Water Distribution Local Service Conditions, Fees and Charges Bylaw No.1, 2009.

BACKGROUND

The bylaw defines the conditions of service and fees and charges for the retail distribution service for the participating municipalities and electoral area. It also includes the penalties for violating the bylaw. Periodically the bylaw is reviewed and updated in light of experience with the application of the bylaw. This year we have conducted a comprehensive review with input from legal counsel. As a result a number of changes are proposed, most of which are housekeeping in nature to ensure consistency and clarity in the wording. In addition fines have been added for unauthorized use of a fire hydrant or an unauthorized connection to the system (refer to Schedule B).

Option 1. Recommend approval of Bylaw No. 3570 with amendments.

Option 2. Not recommend approval of Bylaw No. 3570 with amendments.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The retail water rate (Schedule C) has been revised to reflect the proposed increases in the wholesale rate and distribution rate. The wholesale rate included is the rate recommended by the Regional Water Supply Commission Budget Sub-Committee and is subject to the approval of the Regional Water Supply Commission and the CRD Board. The retail rate will be adjusted in Schedule C to reflect the actual wholesale rate approved by the Regional Water Supply Commission and the CRD Board.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Commission approve Bylaw No. 3570, *Water Distribution Local Service Conditions, Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 1, 2009* with amendments.

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