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**REPORT TO SAANICH PENINSULA WASTEWATER COMMISSION
MEETING OF THURSDAY 17 FEBRUARY 2011**

SUBJECT **SAANICH PENINSULA WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT – THERMAL ENERGY RECOVERY PROJECT – EXTENSION TO GAS TAX FUNDING AGREEMENT**

ISSUE

The construction of the thermal energy recovery system has been delayed requiring that the Gas Tax Funding Agreement with the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) be amended.

BACKGROUND

The construction of the Saanich Peninsula wastewater treatment plant (SPWWTP) thermal energy recovery system was scheduled to be completed by 31 March 2011. However, due to the difficulty in locating a switch gear matching the existing SPWWTP system and securing delivery, the project has been delayed. In order to accommodate this delay, UBCM has agreed to a three-month extension to the Funding Agreement which requires Commission approval.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

SUMMARY

Not applicable.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Saanich Peninsula Wastewater Commission approve the amendment of the Gas Tax Funding Agreement with the Union of British Columbia Municipalities to extend the Saanich Peninsula Wastewater Treatment Plant Thermal Energy Recovery project completion date from 31 March 2011 to 30 June 2011.

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