BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Exempting a Personal Services Contract for the Provision of Application Review Services from the Screening and Selection Procedures of the Personal Services Contracting Rule

ORDER NO. 19-2003

WHEREAS, Section 10 of the Columbia County Personal Services Contracting Rule, adopted by Order No. 16-96, authorizes the Department of General Services, with approval of County Counsel, to exempt certain personal services contracts from the screening and selection procedures of the Personal Services Contracting Rule upon approval of the following findings: (a) It is unlikely that such exemption will encourage favoritism in the awarding of personal services contracts or substantially diminish competition for these contracts; and (b) the awarding of personal services contracts pursuant to the exemption will result in substantial cost savings to the County; in making such findings the Board may consider the type, cost, amount of the contract, number of persons available to bid and such other factors as the Department may deem appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Personal Services Contracting Rules also exempt single-source personal services contracts from the screening and selection procedures of the Personal Services Contracting rule, where only a single personal services contractor is known to the County to be qualified to do the particular job or perform the particular services required, or only the single personal services contractor has reasonable access to factual, technical or statistical information necessary to perform the services required; and

WHEREAS, the Columbia County Land Development Services Department desires to obtain surface mining application review services on a temporary basis to review an application by Glacier NW for aggregate mining at the Fort James site near the Scappoose Airpark; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that such surface mining application review services is necessary to complete the application review in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, Dorian Kuper, is a geologist with Kuper Consulting, has worked for Columbia County regarding several surface mining issues in the past, and therefore has particular knowledge of the County's codes and Surface Mining program, which is necessary to perform the required work; and

WHEREAS, Dorian Kuper is the only personal services contractor known to the

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County to be qualified to do the required work; and

WHEREAS, it is unlikely that the exemption of a personal services contract with Kuper Consulting, will encourage favoritism in the awarding of personal services contracts or substantially diminish competition for these contracts; and the awarding of such personal services contract pursuant to the exemption will result in substantial cost savings to the County; and

WHEREAS, Kuper Consulting has proposed to do the necessary work for an amount not to exceed \$11,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the contract with Kuper Consulting to perform surface mining application review services in accordance with Dorian Kuper's work proposal, is hereby exempted from the screening and selection procedures of the Personal Services Contracting Rule, and the General Services Director is authorized to sign the personal services contract subject to the approval of the Office of the County Counsel.

DATED this 12th day of March, 2003.

Approved as to form

Office of County Counsel

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON By: By: (A) Commissioner By: Commissioner