

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Reimbursing the Mist-Birkenfeld Rural )  
Rural Fire Protection District Pursuant to ORS 275.275(2) )  
[2006 Distribution – Mist Gas Field Revenues] )  
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**ORDER NO. 116 - 2007**

WHEREAS, on December 29, 1994, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Order No. 338-94 which, among other things, authorized the Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District (RFPD) to apply for reimbursement for a portion of their operational costs due to the impaction on the District by natural gas exploration, development, transportation and storage in the Mist gas fields; and

WHEREAS, this reimbursement would be made to the Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District out of the proceeds received from the Mist gas field and pursuant to ORS 275.275(2)(c); and

WHEREAS, on May 24, 2007, the Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD submitted a list of budgeted expenditures for the 2006-2007 fiscal year, along with the corresponding percentage which is a result of impaction, in the amount of \$177,399, certified to be for the costs described above; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed and approved these costs, and the Columbia County Treasurer has verified said costs; and

WHEREAS, the Request for Reimbursement and Certification, the Board's approval and the Treasurer's verification referred to above are attached hereto as Exhibits A, B and C, respectively, and are incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, the amount of funds available for reimbursement for impaction at this time is \$121,460.82, and by prior authorization, the Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD is entitled to 66 percent of those funds; and

WHEREAS, due to the receipt of increased revenues for fiscal year 2006 - 2007, 66 percent of the \$121,460.82 available for reimbursement of impaction costs is \$80,164.14; and

WHEREAS, the Vernonia RFPD submitted an impact statement showing actual costs in the amount of \$30,697.50 and the Vernonia RFPD is only entitled to its actual costs; and

WHEREAS, after payment of the Vernonia RFPD's actual costs, there is \$90,763.32 available in impact fees to reimburse the Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD; and

WHEREAS, this matter is now before the Board of County Commissioners for approval of reimbursement in the amount of \$90,763.32 which is the allowable amount of reimbursement for the above-mentioned costs approved pursuant to Order No. 338 - 94 and Order No. 113 - 2007;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD shall be reimbursed in the amount of \$90,763.32, as a portion of their operational costs due to impaction on the district by natural gas exploration, development, transportation and storage in the Mist gas fields, as described in the attached Exhibit A.

DATED this 27 day of June, 2007

Approved as to form

By: Sarah Hanson  
Office of County Counsel

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: Jita M. Whitard  
Chair

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Commissioner

By: Joe Corsiglia  
Commissioner

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EXHIBIT A

MIST-BIRKENFELD RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
12525 Highway 202 Mist, OR 97016  
(503)755-2710 or (503)755-0510

**CERTIFICATE**

On behalf of the Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District, we certify that the following request represents accurately the costs incurred by this district in providing services deemed to reimbursable under ORS 275.275(2)(b):

Dated this 22th day of May, 2007.

COLUMBIA COUNTY

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COUNTY COUNSEL  
Mist Birkenfeld Rural  
Fire Protection District

By: William D. G.  
Chairman

By: Patricia Wright  
Secretary

**REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT  
FOR COSTS DUE TO IMPACTION**

Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Protection District requests reimbursement of \$132,166 for impaction costs as detailed below.

The following is a listing of budgeted expenditures for the 2006-2007 fiscal year and the corresponding percentage which is a result of 'IMPACTION':

<b>2006-2007 Budgeted Amounts:</b>	<b>Total:</b>	<b>30% (Impaction)</b>
Personal services:	\$237,130	\$79,043
Material & Services:	\$104,350	\$34,783
Capital Outlay:	\$175,000	\$ 58,333
Contingencies:*	\$15,720	\$ 5,240
Totals:	\$533,200	\$177,399

Amount Requested: \$177,399

NOTE: Unappropriated funds are not included in the amounts listed above. Reserve funds are not included in the amounts listed above.

If total requests for reimbursement exceed the total amount available for disbursement from the "impaction fund", we request that the formula approved and applied in November of 1994 be used to determine the disbursement amounts. Enclosed is a cost of operation statement and a certification of cost signed by our Board Chairman.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

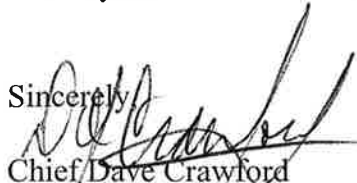
  
Chief/Dave Crawford

EXHIBIT B

COLUMBIA COUNTY



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## Board of Commissioners

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### MEMORANDUM

TO : Ruth Baker, Treasurer

FROM : Board of Commissioners

DATE : June 25, 2007

RE : Review and Determination Regarding Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District's May 24, 2007, Request for Reimbursement, Certificate and Cost Bill

The Board of County Commissioners has reviewed the May 24, 2007, request for reimbursement, certificate and cost bill submitted by the Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District for a portion of their operational costs incurred due to the impact on the district of natural gas exploration, development, transportation and storage in the Mist gas fields. The Board has determined that the documentation is adequate and that the operational costs incurred meet the requirements for which the Board originally approved reimbursement, under ORS 275.275(2), in Order No. 338-94.

The Board hereby requests that you verify the cost bill sought for reimbursement, as required by ORS 275.275(2), and sign and return the attached verification document to the Office of County Counsel.

Thank you.

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# COLUMBIA COUNTY

*Office of the Treasurer  
Ruth Baker*

*Columbia County Courthouse  
St. Helens, Oregon 97051*


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## VERIFICATION

Pursuant to ORS 275.275(5), I have reviewed the attached May 24, 2007, request for reimbursement, certificate and cost bill submitted by the Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District and hereby verify that, to the best of my knowledge, they are for a portion of the operational costs incurred due to the impaction on the district of natural gas exploration, development, transportation and storage in the Mist gas fields. The Board of County Commissioners has determined these costs to be reimbursable under ORS 275.275(2)(c) and for which distribution has been authorized in Order No. 338-94 and Order No. 113 - 2007.

Dated this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2007.

COLUMBIA COUNTY TREASURER

By:   
Ruth Baker