### BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

the Matter of Reimbursing the Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District Pursuant to ORS 275.275(2) [2016 Distribution – Mist Gas Field Revenues]	) ) ) Order No. 21-2016 )
WHEREAS, on December 29, 1994, the Board of 338-94 which, among other things, authorized the Vernor RFPD") to apply for reimbursement for a portion of their of District by natural gas exploration, development, transpor	nia Rural Fire Protection District ("Vernonia operational costs due to the impaction on the
WHEREAS, this reimbursement is made to the V the proceeds received from the Mist gas field and pursua	
WHEREAS, on May 4, 2016, the Vernonia RFPD the 2013- 2014 fiscal year, along with the corresponding amount of \$38,881.65 certified to be for the costs describ	percentage which are a result of impaction in the
WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed and approve	ed these costs, and the Columbia County

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 available for reimbursement for impaction at this time is \$23,055.52 and, by prior agreement, Vernonia RFPD is entitled to thirty-four percent (34%) of those funds; and

WHEREAS, this matter is now before the Board of County Commissioners for approval of reimbursement in the amount of \$7,838.88, which is the allowable amount of reimbursement for the above-mentioned costs approved pursuant to Order No. 338-94 and Order No. 33-2016;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Vernonia RFPD shall be reimbursed in the amount of \$7,838.88 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  $29 \, \text{day}$  of June, 2016.

Treasurer has verified said costs; and

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

Approved as to form:

Henry Heimuller, Commissioner



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May 4, 2016

Columbia County Board of Commissioners ATTN: Jennifer 230 Strand Street St. Helens, Oregon 97051

RE: 2015-2016 Impact Request

Dear Jennifer;

We are asking for reimbursement of Impact funds under ORS 275.275 (2) (b). The following amount is being requested for reimbursement of operational costs in the amount of \$38,881.65.

Attached you will find a copy of our Operational cost projected out in percentage based on our current budget for the 2015-2016 budget year. You will also find attached a copy of the certificate signed.

I would like to say that we appreciate the Board of Commissioners consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Earl Dean Smith

Fire Chief

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### **CERTIFICATE**

On behalf of the Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District, we certify that the attached "Exhibit A" is a listing of budgeted expenditures for the 2015-2016 fiscal year along with the corresponding percentage, which is a result of "Impaction" on the district. This "Impaction" is due to the natural gas exploration, development, transportation and storage in the Mist gas fields. It has been determined that a portion of these operation costs are reimbursable under ORS 275.275 (2) (b).

Dated this 4th day of May 2016

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#### COST OF OPERATION

The following is a listing of budgeted expenditures for the 2015-2016 fiscal year and the corresponding percentage, which is a result of "Impaction".

2015-2016 Budget	Total Budget	15% Impaction
Personal Services	\$ 132,540	\$ 19,881.00
Materials and Services	\$ 110,121	\$ 16,518.15
Capitol Outlay	\$ 16,550 	\$ 2,482.50
Sub Total	\$ 259,211	\$ 38,881.65

Total amount requested for reimbursement \$ 38,881.65

Note: Unappropriated, Debt Service and Reserve funds are not included in the amounts above.

If the total requests for reimbursement exceed the total amount available for disbursement from the "impact 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 staff.

#### Exhibit B

#### **Columbia County**

# **Board of Commissioners**



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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Jennifer Cuellar, Treasurer

FROM:

**Board of County Commissioners** 

DATE:

June 8, 2016

RE:

Review and Determination Regarding Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District's May 4, 2016, Request for Reimbursement, Certificate and

Cost Bill

The Board of County Commissioners has reviewed the May 4, 2016. 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 impaction on the District of natural gas exploration, development, transportation and storage in the Mist gas field. 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(5), and sign and return the attached verification document to the Office of County Counsel.

Thank you,



## COLUMBIA COUNTY

Jennifer Cuellar-Smith, Director

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## **CERTIFICATE**

Pursuant to ORS 275.275(2)(b), I have reviewed the May 4, 2016, request for reimbursement, certificate and cost bill submitted by the Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District and 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)(b) and Order No. 33 - 2016.

Dated this 25th day of May, 2015.

Columbia County Treasurer

By: McCullar-Smith