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To: INTERESTED PARTIES

**From: CHRIS HUNTINGTON, MANAGER
POLICY AND TECHNICAL SERVICES**

Subject: LINCOLN COUNTY PROPOSED FEE ADOPTION

The State Building Codes Division (division) has received the enclosed notice of intent to adopt building inspection program fees from the above listed municipality. Pursuant to Oregon Administrative Rule 918-020-0220, municipalities seeking to adopt fees are required to provide the following summary information 45 days prior to the proposed adoptive date.

- (A) The affected specialty code or program areas;
- (B) A description of the proposed building inspection program fees including the approximate percentage change when applicable;
- (C) The proposed effective date;
- (D) The date of the last fee increase in the specialty code or program area if applicable;
- (E) The anticipated date, time and location of the local municipal hearing scheduled pursuant to Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 294.160;
- (F) The name, phone number, and title of a contact person; and
- (G) A narrative explaining the purpose of the proposed fee adoption.

The division is required to notify interested parties after receiving a notice of intent to adopt building inspection program fees from a municipality. Enclosed is the information the municipality provided to the division pursuant to the above administrative rule requirements.

If you have concerns about this proposed fee change, you may contact the municipality directly by contacting Lincoln County Building Official, Al Eames, (503) 265-0231 or attend the local municipal hearing on June 2, 2010 in the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners Conference Room, 225 W Olive Street, Newport, OR at 9:30 a.m. If you still have unresolved concerns, you may, pursuant to ORS 455.210(3) and 479.845, appeal this fee adoption by sending a written request to the division within 60 days of the municipality's letter of notice to the division.

cc: LINCOLN COUNTY



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March 9, 2010

Trevor Johnson
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Re: Fee Increases for Lincoln County, Oregon

Trevor:

Please accept this letter as notification that Lincoln County wishes to increase our fees for Manufactured Home Placement Permits, Mechanical Permits, and our hourly rate. These increases would be scheduled to go into effect on July 1, 2010 with a projected hearing date of June 2, 2010 that complies with ORS 294.160. The meeting would be held at 9:30am in the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners Conference Room located at 225 W Olive St. Room 108 Newport Oregon.

Lincoln County is proposing to increase our Manufactured Home Placement permit fee from \$105.00 to \$160.00 which is a 34% increase. The proposed fee is in accordance to OAR 918-500-0105 and would cover inspections for slab/runner, blocking, and final. This increase in permit fees would more adequately cover the true cost to Lincoln County for performing these inspections. Please take note that this permit fee has never been raised since the beginning of the program in Lincoln County.

Regarding Mechanical Permits, Lincoln County proposes to change the manner in which these fees are collected to become consistent with OAR 918-050-100(C)(2)(b). The proposed method of collection would be based on the cost of the equipment and installation of the equipment. The value will then be applied to our current fee schedule with a set minimum charge of \$50.00. The average cost for mechanical installation on a dwelling is \$55.00 but under the new schedule the fee would increase to about \$92.00 which is a 40% increase. By implementing the new fee schedule Lincoln County will be able to offset the costs in administering the issuance and inspections on the mechanical permits. This proposed increase still remains below the costs of

plumbing and electrical permits for the same dwelling. In addition please take note that the last fee increase for the mechanical permit program was done in July of 1999, to the best of my knowledge.

In regards to hourly rate for inspections, Lincoln County proposes raise the hourly rate from \$30.00 per hour to \$50.00 per hour, which is a 40% increase. Increasing this fee puts the fee more in line with the true cost to Lincoln County for performing such inspections. Again take note that Lincoln County has never increased its hourly rate for special inspections since the beginning of this program.

If you have any questions or need any additional information please feel free to contact me at 541-265-0231 or by email at aeames@co.lincoln.or.us. Thank you for the consideration and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Al Eames
Lincoln County Building Official

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