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SUBJECT: Emergency Fire Cost Committee

Recommendation to Purchase a Firefighting Expense Insurance for the 2020 – 2021 Policy Year

Dear Peter,

The Emergency Fire Cost Committee (EFCC) voted unanimously at its March 3, 2020 meeting to recommend to you that Oregon purchase a firefighting expense insurance for the 2020 – 2021 policy year (April 15, 2020 – April 14, 2021), as long as the entire insurance premium (before taxes and fees) is at or under \$4 million. It appears that Willis Towers Watson, the state of Oregon's Insurance Broker, will be able to secure a policy from Lloyds's of London.

Based on the factors considered by the committee, consistent with Oregon law¹, the EFCC believes the purchase of this policy is important to help ensure financial certainty in the face of challenging fire seasons that Oregon has endured in this decade.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kenneth P. Cummings, Chair
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¹ <https://www.oregonlaws.org/ors/477.775>