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May 12, 2009

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SUPERSEDING INITIAL REVIEW OF APPLICATION S-87395

CITY OF HARRISBURG
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HARRISBURG, OR 97446

Reference: File S-87395

Dear Applicant:

**THIS IS NOT A PERMIT AND IS
SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT THE NEXT PHASE OF PROCESSING.**

This Initial Review supersedes the Initial Review issued May 1, 2009. The purpose of this Superseding Initial Review is to describe the correct source of water proposed by this application and the amended Willamette Basin Program citation used to determine whether the proposed use is allowable.

This document is the Department's preliminary analysis of your water use request called an Initial Review (IR). The purpose of the IR is to make a "first-cut" evaluation of the application, specifically focusing on whether the use is restricted by statute or rule and whether water is available for the proposed use. The IR is also meant to highlight issues and determinations that may preclude approval of the use or that may lead to restrictions.

This letter is to inform you of the unfavorable preliminary analysis of your water use permit application and to describe your options. In determining whether a water use permit application may be approved, the Department must consider the factors listed below, all of which must be favorable to the proposed use if it is to be allowed. Based on the information you have supplied, the Water Resources Department has made the following preliminary determinations:

Initial Review Determinations:

1. The application requested the use of 2.61 cubic feet per second (CFS) of water from Willamette River, tributary to Columbia River, for municipal use year-round.
2. The proposed use is not prohibited by law or rule except where otherwise noted below.
3. The use of water from Willamette River, tributary to Columbia River, for municipal use is not allowed from July 1 through August 30 under the Willamette Basin Program, under OAR 690-502-0050(1)(c).

4. Surface water is available in the amount and for the full period requested.

Summary of Allowable Water Use

Because not all items above are favorable, the use of 2.61 CFS of water from Willamette River, tributary to Columbia River, for municipal use year-round is not allowable, and it appears unlikely that you will be issued a permit. At this time, you must decide whether to proceed or to withdraw your application as described below.

Please reference the application number when sending any correspondence regarding the conclusions of this Initial Review. Comments received within the comment period will be evaluated at the next phase of the process.

Withdrawal Refunds:

If you choose not to proceed, you may withdraw your application and receive a refund (minus a \$150 processing charge per application). To accomplish this you must notify the Department in writing by **Tuesday, May 26, 2009**. For your convenience you may use the enclosed "STOP PROCESSING" form.

To Proceed With Your Application:

If you choose to proceed with your application, you do not have to notify the Department. Your application will automatically be placed on the Department's Public Notice to allow others the opportunity to comment. After the comment period the Department will complete a public interest review and issue a Proposed Final Order.

If A Permit Is Issued It Will Likely Include The Following Conditions:

1. Measurement, recording and reporting conditions:
 - A. Before water use may begin under this permit, the permittee shall install a totalizing flow meter or other suitable measuring device as approved by the Director at each point of diversion. The permittee shall maintain the meter or measuring device in good working order.
 - B. The permittee shall keep a complete record of the amount of water used each month, and shall submit a report which includes the recorded water use measurements to the Department annually or more frequently as may be required by the Director. Further, the Director may require the permittee to report general water-use information, including the place and nature of use of water under the permit.
 - C. The permittee shall allow the watermaster access to the meter or measuring device; provided however, where any meter or measuring device is located within a private structure, the watermaster shall request access upon reasonable notice.
 - D. The Director may provide an opportunity for the permittee to submit alternative measuring and reporting procedures for review and approval.
2. You may be required to install fish screens at the point of diversion to meet Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife specifications for adequate protection of aquatic life.

This initial review does not attempt to address various public interest issues such as sensitive, threatened, or endangered fish species. These issues will be addressed as the Department reviews comments from the public and other agencies, and prepares a Proposed Final Order. You should be aware that, if significant public interest issues are found to exist, such a finding could have an impact on the eventual outcome of your application.

The water source identified in your application may be affected by an Agricultural Water Quality Management Area Plan. These plans are developed by the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) with the cooperation of local landowners and other interested stakeholders, and help to ensure that current and new appropriations of water are done in a way that does not adversely harm the environment. You are encouraged to explore ODA's Water Quality Program web site at http://www.oregon.gov/ODA/NRD/water_agplans.shtml to learn more about the plans and how they may affect your proposed water use.

If you have any questions:

Feel free to call me at 503-986-0853 if you have any questions regarding the contents of this letter or your application. Please have your application number available if you call. General questions about water rights and water use permits should be directed to our customer service staff at 503-986-0801. When corresponding by mail, please use this address: Michele McAleer, Oregon Water Resources Department, 725 Summer St NE Ste A, Salem OR 97301-1266. Our fax number is 503-986-0901.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michele R. McAleer".

Michele McAleer
Water Right Application Caseworker

enclosures: Application Process Description and Stop Processing Request Form

S-87395
WAB 2-30200321
POU 2-30200321

APPLICATION FACT SHEET

Application File Number: S-87395

Applicant: CITY OF HARRISBURG

County: LINN

Watermaster: 2

Priority Date: FEBRUARY 17, 2009

Source: WILLAMETTE RIVER, TRIBUTARY TO COLUMBIA RIVER

Use: MUNICIPAL USE

Quantity: 2.61 CUBIC FEET PER SECOND

Basin Name & Number: WILLAMETTE, #2

Stream Index Reference: Volume 26 WILLAMETTE R & TRIBS

Point of Diversion: SENE, SECTION 16, T15S, R4W, W.M.; 2330 FEET SOUTH AND 1315 FEET WEST FROM NE CORNER, SECTION 16

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14 DAY STOP PROCESSING DEADLINE DATE: Tuesday, May 26, 2009

PUBLIC NOTICE DATE: Tuesday, May 12, 2009

30 DAY COMMENT DEADLINE DATE: Friday, June 12, 2009