From: <u>Deanna Dawson</u>

To: <u>SCA</u>

Subject: FW: SCC PSCAA letter

Date: Monday, May 12, 2014 2:17:47 PM

Attachments: PSCAA letter.pdf

Dear SCA PIC Members, Board Members, Mayors, and Managers and Administrators-

In advance of this week's discussion at the PIC, I wanted you to have this letter from the Snohomish County Cities and Towns Association regarding the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency's proposed rate increase.

Best,

Deanna

From: LaFave, Carolyn [mailto:Carolyn.LaFave@edmondswa.gov]

Sent: Monday, May 12, 2014 1:42 PM

To: Deanna Dawson

Subject: SCC PSCAA letter

Hi Deanna,

Mayor Earling asked me to forward the attached letter to you.

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May 12, 2014

Paul Roberts, Chair Puget Sound Clean Air Agency 1904 Third Avenue - Suite 105 Seattle, WA 98101

Dear Chair Roberts:

On behalf of the Board of Snohomish County Cities, I am writing to express concern over the substantial increase in proposed membership assessment from the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency for next year.

While we all understand and appreciate that yours, and other regional agencies, have shown budgetary restraint the past few years during tight financial times, we're aware that the amount of the proposed increase for next year will have a severe impact on some of our cities. While many of our membership have begun to stabilize their economies, others are still struggling and indeed, some are still making reductions.

We appreciate the extensive outreach the agency has begun to make cities aware of the proposed increased assessment. The clear, concise conversation some of us have had with your Executive Director, Craig Kenworthy, has been much appreciated. He is providing information that reflects the needs of your agency in a clear, forthright manner and we hope that effort will continue.

We understand you are hearing similar concerns from across the four county areas you represent. We all support your agency and its achievements. Again, our concern is not whether you can and need to move your budget and mission forward; it is the blunt method and size of a one-year increase that we have deep concerns over. It is our hope and request that you reevaluate the methodology of your proposed increase and continue the dialogue you have begun with your membership.

Sincerely,

Dave Earling Mayor, City of Edmonds

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 ${\it Council member, City of Mill Creek}$

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