

Draft Minutes
Seattle Water Supply System Operating Board
December 3, 2009
2:30– 4:30 p.m.

Mercer Island Council Chambers
9611 SE 36th Street
Mercer Island, WA 98040

<u>Board Members</u>	<u>Board Alternates</u>	<u>Wholesale Utility Representatives</u>	<u>SPU Attendees</u>	<u>Other Attendees</u>
Walt Canter John Bjork Roger Eberhart Matt Everett Dave Hilmoe Nancy Ahern	Terry Smith John Thompson Ron Speer	Dick Swaab Mark Parsons Steve Moye Margaret Wiggins Fanny Yee Ken Howe Kathleen Keene Linda Swanson	Dan Swenson Terri Gregg Bruce Flory Rand Little	Byron Murgatroyd

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Minutes/Agenda

The November 5, 2009 minutes were approved by consent of the Operating Board.

3. New Business

▪ 2009 Annual Survey of Wholesale Customers – Summary of Results

Bruce Flory went over the 2009 Annual Survey of Wholesale Customers. Based on various comments from Operating Board members, Bruce will make several revisions to the document before finalizing it.

(Visit Operating Board website for a copy of the draft survey)
(www.operatingboard.org)

- **Update on Cedar River Instream Resources**

Rand Little gave an update on Cedar River Instream Resources. Rand's presentation included a review of Cedar Salmon geography; linkages to the regional water system; Cedar salmon population trends; and two research projects (Indicators of Hydrologic Alteration and Peak Flow Adaptive Management).

(Visit Operating Board website for a copy of the presentation)
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- **Operating Board Administrative Matters**

Dan Swenson reviewed the process for determining the 2011 Operating Board Chair and Vice-Chair at January 7, 2010 meeting. Board members were asked to provide input on the 2010 work plan and they agreed that if there is a lack of substantive agenda items for a meeting, then the meeting could be cancelled.

4. **Executive Summaries and Other Business s**

- **ICS300/400 Training**

January 20-22, 2010 hosted by Woodinville Water District

- **2010 Wholesale Water Rates**

Operating Board members were reminded that wholesale water rates will increase for 2010. This rate increase is part of the previously approved 2009-2011 rates package.

- **Tolt Pipeline I and II Repair Work**

Repair work has been successfully completed on both pipelines.

- **Morse Lake Pump Plant**

Dave Hilmoe noted that before moving forward with more work on the Morse Lake Pump Plant a consultant will be hired to conduct a value engineering review of the project. The Operating Board will be consulted on the outcome of the review.

- **Future Meetings**

January 7th

5. **For the Good of the Order**

- **Letters to Mayor-elect McGinn and Councilman-elect O'Brien**

The Operating Board requested that staff draft letters to Mayor-elect McGinn and Councilman-elect O'Brien informing them of the Operating Board's work and inviting them to a future meeting.

- **Portland Water Bureau: E. Coli Outbreak over Thanksgiving Weekend**
It was noted that Portland Water Bureau had to issue a boil water order over the Thanksgiving weekend to about 50,000 customers, after E. Coli was detected in one of its uncovered reservoirs. The website www.oregonlive.com has a number of very interesting articles about the incident.
- **National Public Works Trust Fund**
It was reported that Congressman McDermott is interested in establishing a National Publics Work Trust Fund, modeled after the one we have in Washington State.
- **Laboratory Services – WD 20 and WD 125**
WD 20 and WD 125 noted that they have worked with the SPU Lab to develop a contract for additional sampling services.

6. **Public Comment Period**

None provided.

7. **Meeting Adjourned**

Approved by:

Chair, Walt Canter

Date

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