

**Report 99.324**

15 June 1999

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**Report of the Meeting of the Utility Services Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Tuesday, 15 June 1999 at 10.30am**

**Matters for Council decision are shown in bold type and enclosed in a box**  
*Matters for information of Council are in italic type*

**Present**

Councillors McQueen (Chairperson), Laidlaw, Macaskill, Shaw, Shields, Thomas & Werry and Cr Hutchings (WCC)

**Officers Present**

Messrs Benham, Darroch, Kennedy, Leonard, Morrison, Roberts, Sells and Helen Sillars

**Public Business**

**Procedural Items**

US 45    **Apologies**

There were no apologies.

US 46    **Public Participation**

There were no members of the public who wished to participate in the meeting.

US 47      **Confirmation of Minutes**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Werry/Cr Thomas)*

*That the minutes of the meeting held on 7 May 1999 be confirmed, the public excluded part to remain in public excluded.*

**Matter for Recommendation**

US 48      **1999/2000 Water Levy:**

**Report 99.315 and Report 99.318**

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This matter has been reported separately to the Policy and Finance Committee on 22 June 1999.

**Matter for Decision**

US 49      **Appointment of Chief Engineer**

**Report 99.319**

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*Resolved*

*(Cr Thomas/Cr Shaw)*

*That the Committee appoint the Manager, Strategy and Assets, M Kennedy, to be Chief Engineer in terms of the Wellington Regional Water Board 1972 and the Wellington Regional Water Board Bylaws 1976.*

**Matters for Information**

US 50      **Y2K Preparedness**

**Report 99.314**

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*Resolved*

*(Cr Shaw/Cr Laidlaw)*

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

US 51      **Divisional Report**

**Report 99.309**

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**Fluoridation**

Mr Benham said he would prepare a comprehensive report about the Hutt City's request to take over the Petone water supply for the next meeting.

Mr Benham also noted a public meeting, organised by Councillor Allen, would be held in Petone on Wednesday 14 July 1999 to which Councillors Thomas and Werry had been invited and which officers would also attend. Councillor McQueen said he would be present.

### **Facilities Management Contract – Customer Services**

Mr Benham said discussions were continuing with Wellington City Council about performance indicators which should eventually result in improved reporting to the Committee.

*Resolved*

*(Cr Shaw/Cr Thomas)*

*That the report be received and the contents noted.*

### US 52 **Questions**

There were no questions.

### US 53 **General**

#### **Staff Farewells**

Councillor McQueen said that he noted with regret that Helen Sillars, Laboratory Manager and Greg Williams, Economist/Business Analyst had resigned. Councillor McQueen thanked Helen and Greg for their quality work with the Regional Council and wished both officers every success in their future careers.

#### **Pricing Methodology Workshop – Water Levy**

Members agreed there was need for a Pricing Methodology Workshop on the bulk water levy.

### US 54 **Exclusion of the Public**

*Resolved*

*(Cr Shaw/Cr Werry)*

*That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:*

*Report of the public excluded part of the Utility Services Committee meeting held on 15 June 1999*

*(1) Contract No 1179: Pakuratahi East Forest Access*

*(2) Contract No 2182: Standby Generator for Te Marua Pump Station*

*The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:*

***General subject of each matter to be considered: Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution***

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| (1) | <i>Contract No 1179: Pakuratahi East Forest Access</i>               | <i>Because of the need to carry on commercial negotiations</i> | <i>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist (ie to carry on commercial negotiations).</i> |
| (2) | <i>Contract No 2182: Standby Generator for Te Marua Pump Station</i> | <i>Because of the need to carry on commercial negotiations</i> | <i>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist (ie to carry on commercial negotiations).</i> |

*This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) (a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act of section 6 or section 7 or section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:*

*Wellington Regional Council (1) and (2)*

The open part of the meeting concluded at 12.15pm.

Cr A E McQUEEN  
Chairman

Date:

**Policy and Finance Committee – 29 June 1999**

*To be moved:*

**That the report of the meeting of the Utility Services Committee held on 15 June 1999, Items US 45 to US 54, be adopted.**