BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPOINTING

BARRY BENNETT TO THE METRO

SOLID WASTE RATE REVIEW COMMITTEE

) Introduce by Mike Burton

Executive Officer

WHEREAS, Chapter 5.08 of the Metro Code provides for the establishment of a Solid Waste Rate Review Committee composed of seven members, including one Metro Councilor who shall serve as Committee chair and who shall be appointed by the Council Presiding Officer; and the six other members shall be appointed by the Executive Officer, subject to confirmation by the Council; and

WHEREAS, The business related and financial experience position is vacant; and
WHEREAS, Barry Bennett comes highly recommended with a strong financial and
business background and is well suited to carry out the duties of this position on the Solid Waste Rate
Review Committee; and

WHEREAS, The resolution was submitted to the Executive Officer for consideration and was forwarded to the Council for approval; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

THAT the Metro Council hereby confirms the appointment of Barry Bennett to the Metro Solid Waste Rate Review Committee and that the term of service shall be three years, effective with the adoption of this resolution and ending September 1999.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 9th

day of January,

Jon Kvistad, Presiding Officer

Approved as to Form:

Daniel B. Cooper, General Co

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#### STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 96-2416 FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPOINTING BARRY BENNETT TO THE METRO SOLID WASTE RATE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Date: Octboer 24, 1996 Presented by: Roosevelt Carter

### FACTUAL BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

Ordinance No. 91-436A, Metro Code Chapter 5.08 establishes a seven-member solid waste rate review committee, six members of which are to be appointed by the Executive Officer, subject to confirmation by the Council. The members appointed by the Executive Officer include: two persons engaged in the business of hauling solid waste; one person with business-related financial experience; one person with experience in establishing rates; one person involved with a local recycling or waste reduction program; and one citizen rate-payer. The seventh committee member is a Metro Councilor appointed by the Council Presiding Officer.

For the past year or more, the Regional Environmental Management Department (REM) has been carefully proceeding with a major rate restructuring project involving several regional "stakeholders," and including members of the current Rate Review Committee. The outcome of this project could have a large impact on the regional solid waste disposal system as well as Metro and the REM Department revenues. Due to the potential impact of the rate restructuring project, it is important to have full representation on the rate review committee and to fill the vacant position with a member who has the business-related financial experience required.

Barry Bennett is a graduate of Harvard Law School and is employed as an attorney with the Bonneville Power Administration. Mr. Bennett will bring strong legal, technical expertise and experience to the Rate Review Committee.

### **EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

The Executive Officer recommends that Resolution No. 96-2416 be adopted, confirming the appointment of Barry Bennett to a three-year term in the business-finance related position on the Solid Waste Rate Review Committee.

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# EDUCATION '

Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA.
J.D. Cum Laude 1978

State University of New York at Albany, Albany, NY B.A. Summa Cum Laude 1975 (Phi Beta Kappa)

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 1992 to present-Bonneville Power Administration, Portland, OR-Attorney; government and energy law practice; litigation of Bonneville rate case and state rate cases; Environmental law and Indian law
- 1987 to 1990-Workers' Compensation Board, State of Oregon, Portland, OR-Administrative Law Judge-heard contested workers' compensation cases
- 1982 to 1986-Oregon Department of Justice, Salem, OR-Assistant Attorney General; administrative and government law practice; represented l'ublic Utility Commission in utility rate cases and related administrative hearings; represented various lending agencies
- 1978 to 1980-Spears, Lubersky, Campbell & Bledsoe, Portland, OR-Attorney; general practice and litigation

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 1990 to 1991-Sangamon State University, Springfield, IL-Assistant Professor of Legal Studies; taught interdisciplinary courses on law and public policy; Legal Writing; Legal Research
- 1986 to 1987-Nevada School of Law, Reno, NV-Assistant Professor, taught Environmental Law and commercial law courses
- 1981 to 1982-California State University, Chico, CA-Assistant Professor; taught Business Law courses
- 1980 to 1981-Northwestern University School of Law, Chicago, IL-Instructor of Legal Writing and Research

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