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April 6, 2009

To: INTERESTED PARTIES

**From: CHRIS HUNTINGTON, MANAGER
POLICY AND TECHNICAL SERVICES**

Subject: LINN COUNTY PROPOSED FEE ADOPTION

The State Building Codes Division (division) has received the enclosed notice of intent to adopt building inspection program fees from the above listed municipality. Pursuant to Oregon Administrative Rule 918-020-0220, municipalities seeking to adopt fees are required to provide the following summary information 45 days prior to the proposed adoptive date.

- (A) The affected specialty code or program areas;
- (B) A description of the proposed building inspection program fees including the approximate percentage change when applicable;
- (C) The proposed effective date;
- (D) The date of the last fee increase in the specialty code or program area if applicable;
- (E) The anticipated date, time and location of the local municipal hearing scheduled pursuant to Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 294.160;
- (F) The name, phone number, and title of a contact person; and
- (G) A narrative explaining the purpose of the proposed fee adoption.

The division is required to notify interested parties after receiving a notice of intent to adopt building inspection program fees from a municipality. Enclosed is the information the municipality provided to the division pursuant to the above administrative rule requirements.

If you have concerns about this proposed fee change, you may contact the municipality directly by contacting John Hixson, Building Official, 541-967-3816 X2233, or attend the local municipal hearing on Wednesday, June 10, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. at the Linn County Courthouse, Room 200, Albany. If you still have unresolved concerns, you may, pursuant to ORS 455.210(3) and 479.845, appeal this fee adoption by sending a written request to the division within 30 days of the municipality's fee adoption date.

cc: Linn County



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To whom it may concern;

This letter is to inform Building Codes Division that Linn County is intending to raise fees on July 1, 2009 for the following specialty codes: Structural, Plumbing, and Mechanical. The percentage increase for each specialty code will be approximately 20 percent. Linn County has not had a fee increase since 2001 for any of these code programs. The public hearing is scheduled for June 10, 2009 at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Linn County Board of Commissioners

The fee increase is required to insure that the Linn County Building Department is able to maintain the level of service we currently provide. The Linn County Building Department has always prided its self on excellent customer service. Due to a reduction in permit activity our inspection staff has had to be cut by 20%. If fees are not increased a further reduction in staffing may be required.

I may be reached at the following phone number 541-967-3816 X2233 if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John S. Hixson".

John S. Hixson
Building Official
Linn County Planning & Building Department
541-967-3816 X2233