



**Public Utility District No. 1  
of Thurston County**

**Commissioners**

Linda Oosterman – District 1  
Russell E. Olsen – District 2  
Chris Stearns – District 3

August 25, 2017

From: General Manager  
To: PUD Commissioners

RE: Declaration of Emergency Waiver of Competitive Bidding Requirements,  
200<sup>th</sup> Water System, Water System Identifier 57616 Q

In accordance with RCW 39.04.280(2)(b), I have declared an emergency situation exists and have waived the small works roster competitive bidding requirements.

At approximately 4:00 a.m. on August 25, 2017, the 200<sup>th</sup> water system failed. We had issues with the water system failing on August 24<sup>th</sup> and believed staff had repaired the system. A Field Technician went out to the water system early this morning and was not able repair the water system. He believes the pump needs to be replaced. I declared an emergency waiver of competitive bidding requirements and Pacific Northwest Pumps is evaluating the water system and will do what is necessary to restore water service to this water system.

This system failure left the customers without water and presented a real, immediate threat to the proper performance of the water system's essential functions and required immediate action to ensure the PUD's customers have safe drinking water.

The award of the expedited necessary contracts on behalf of PUD No. 1 of Thurston County to address this emergency situation were approved. The emergency action and waiver of the competitive bidding requirements were necessary.

This is the written finding of the existence of an emergency required by said RCW and is brought to notify the Commission and the public at this next available public meeting and is duly entered of record no later than two weeks following the award of the contract.

Sincerely,

***John Weidenfeller***

John Weidenfeller  
General Manager