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Douglas Wittinger Deer Creek Water Association PO Box 30230 Bellingham, WA 98226

RE: County Council Hearing on Franchise Application

Dear Mr. Wittinger:

For your information, the Council is having a public hearing on the ordinance that would grant Deer Creek Water Association a non-exclusive franchise (please see the enclosed hearing notice). You may wish to post copies of this notice in the vicinity of the areas that are included in your franchise application. I have enclosed a copy of the public hearing notice for your records. The hearing is scheduled for March 12, 2019. The Council meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. and is located in the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, Washington.

You, or a representative, are encouraged to attend the hearing. Council will consider statements made during the hearing in making its final decision. If the ordinance is adopted, you will receive an "Acceptance of Franchise" form and an invoice from our office within a few weeks of the adoption date. Your franchise is not truly granted until the notarized <u>Acceptance of Franchise</u> is returned to our office along with payment. It will then be recorded by the County Auditor and a copy will be mailed to you.

Thank you, and please feel free to contact me if you have questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Marina Engels, CMC

Deputy Clerk of the Council

Enc. Hearing Notice

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