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Date: September 14, 2007

Subject: Award Presentation at Oct. 2nd Council Meeting for the 2007 Pacific Northwest Clean Water Association, Washington State Collections System Operator of the Year Award – City of Kirkland, Public Works Department, Surface and Wastewater Division’s – Senior Maintenance, Dan Van Iterson

RECOMMENDATION:

This memo is for information only.

BACKGROUND DISCUSSION:

Our Surface and Waste Water team member of 13 years, (previously with Rose Hill’s Water and Sewer District for 15 years!), Dan Van Iterson, has been nominated and received the award as Washington State’s Collection Systems Operator of the Year from the Pacific Northwest Clean Water Association (PNCWA).

Highlights for Dan’s performance as Collection Systems Operator of the Year award include his design and implementation of a skid that was attached to the video camera (see photos). This is used when launching the camera into lines to lift it above flow for better visual capacity, as well as protect the camera when being lowered into the lines. He also has excellent attendance and has taken initiative to volunteer as a member on Lake Washington Technical College’s Science Technician Program’s Curriculum Advisory Board in Kirkland. Dan also leads tours of the Plaza Lift Station annually for school children in summer science camp.

Dan has taken many courses from Lake Washington Technical College while being employed with the City of Kirkland. His classes include electrician training and certification classes as well as business writing classes. Dan has assisted during many storm and emergencies and is very dependable. He knows the city’s wastewater conveyance and lift station equipment well. He currently operates the TV/Video truck, camera and software. Dan attended the PNCWA annual conference, as a guest of the association and was honored at the awards banquet, at Vancouver, Washington on September 9-12, 2007, where he spoke to an audience of 600 people. We are very proud of Dan and congratulate him on winning the Pacific Northwest Clean Water Association’s Collection Systems Operator of the Year Award.

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