

**CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION
ADOPTED AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS
OF
PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THURSTON COUNTY**

We, the undersigned, being the President and Secretary of Public Utility District No. 1 of Thurston County, do hereby certify that the following Resolution was adopted by the Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Thurston County, in attendance at the meeting held at the office of the District, Suite 201, 921 Lakeridge Way S.W., Olympia, Washington, 98502 on Thursday, July 9, 2009, and that said Resolution has not been revoked.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-33

WHEREAS, Public Utility District (PUD) No. 1 of Thurston County (TPUD) has had a large default of utility bills that were not paid by renters, lessees, or tenants over the past several years and from whom TPUD could not collect these delinquent monies,

WHEREAS, property owners are in a much better position to collect, or require deposits from renters, lessees, or tenants of their properties and insure payment of the utility bills than the PUD,

WHEREAS, property owners are responsible and accountable for utility bills in most cities and in PUD's including Kitsap PUD, Jefferson PUD, and Stevens PUD,

WHEREAS, defaults from renters, lessees, or tenants not paying bills unfairly increases the rate base of all TPUD customers and this represents a subsidy to property owners who rent their property at the expense of property owners who do not rent their properties,

WHEREAS, it is recognized that property owners renting or leasing their properties should be responsible for utility bills associated with those properties,

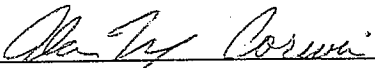
NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED that property owners are responsible for TPUD utility bills for properties which the own effective October 1, 2009, and

RESOLVED that TPUD's General Manager shall ensure implementation procedures are developed to implement and administer this resolution's policy direction.

Said Resolution was approved and adopted by the unanimous vote of the Commissioners present.

We do further certify that said meeting was attended by 3 of the three Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Thurston County and that the Resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of the Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Thurston County in attendance.



Alan Corwin
Commissioner and President of PUD

ATTEST:



Paul Pickett
Commissioner and Secretary

Public Utility District No. 1 of Thurston County

Authorization to Bill Tenant

Before utility bills can be transferred into a tenant's name, this form must be completed and returned to Thurston PUD, 921 Lakeridge Way, SW, Suite 201, Olympia, WA 98502.

Current Date: _____

Effective Date: _____

Please consider this memo as authorization to bill my tenant for water service,

at

Property Address

I understand in the event that my tenant fails to pay these charges, I will be responsible to pay the bill with all penalties and interest due. I further understand that delinquent utility charges may result in service turn-off to my rental property. It was also explained to me that the billing period for the PUD is monthly and payments are due on the 15th of the following month.

The tenant will be required to complete an application for service. A refundable deposit may be required based on their personal credit history.

OWNER INFORMATION
_____ NAME
_____ ADDRESS
_____ Phone: _____

TENANT INFORMATION
_____ NAME
_____ ADDRESS
_____ Phone: _____

OWNER SIGNATURE

DATE

July 15, 2009

Subject: Property Owner Responsibility for Utility Bill Payment

Dear Property Owner:

If you have renters or tenants, effective October 1, 2009, property owners will be responsible for ensuring payment of any and all Thurston Public Utility District No. 1 (District) utility bills. Most utility companies hold the owners responsible for the utility bills of their renters, tenants, or lessees. We are updating our policy to meet generally accepted industry standards.

We wanted to give you sufficient notice so that you can review this issue to see if your controls and deposits are in place to facilitate protecting your interests. We can bill you, or bill your tenant or provide you a copy of the bill and shut-off notices if you request copies. While you are still responsible for your property's utility bill, if you would like us to bill your tenant and have them pay your properties' utility bill, please complete the attached *Authorization to Bill Tenant* form and provide a signed copy to us. Bills will be mailed by the District the billing address furnished by the owner. Failure to receive a bill will not release the owner from the obligation to make the payment. Owners are responsible for their renters, tenants, or lessees District utility bills and for any penalties or interest incurred as a result of nonpayment or shutoff. Should the tenant fail to pay the bill when due, or cause damage to District property or equipment, the property owner will be held responsible. The arrangement for an authorization for the tenant to pay utility bills is solely for the convenience of the owner, and in no way is meant to infer a shift of legal responsibility.

Again, we wanted to provide you advance notice of your legal responsibility to pay for your renters, tenants, and lessees District utility bills or for any damage to District equipment or property. We hope this advance notice will provide you time to insure your interests are protected when you have tenants, renters, or lessees.

Sincerely,

John Weidenfeller
General Manager

Attachment: Authorization to Bill Tenant form