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Halifax Regional Council

June 28, 2005

TO:

Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

Councillor Mosher

Vice Chair, Energy and Underground Services Committee

DATE:

June 17, 2005

**SUBJECT:** 

**Terms of Reference** 

# **ORIGIN**

Energy and Underground Services Committee Meeting of May 20, 2005 and June 17, 2005

# RECOMMENDATION

The Energy and Underground Services Committee recommends that Regional Council amend the Terms of Reference of the Energy and Underground Services Committee to set the quorum for regular meetings at four (4).

#### **BACKGROUND**

# **DISCUSSION**

The Energy and Underground Services Committee has a membership of seven (7) members, due to the difficulties in achieving quorum as outlined in Administrative Order 1, the Committee is requesting that the quorum for this Committee be set at four (4).

# **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

None.

# FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

#### **ALTERNATIVES**

None.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

# 1. Terms of Reference

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# **ENERGY AND UNDERGROUND SERVICES COMMITTEE**

COMPOSITION:

Seven Councillors (Motion adopted to increase Councillor

representation from six to seven on August 21, 2001)

**TERMS:** 

**Two years** (Regional Council on November 28, 2000 adopted a motion that all Councillor appointments be for a two year term with the exception of those noted in the report

presented to Regional Council.

\* All appointments approved by Regional Council on

November 28, 2000.

MANDATE:

That the Region prepare a position by forming a committee

to review the situation by preparing a cost

benefit analysis based on financial, operation, business development, job development and environmental

concerns.

Currently, the focus of the Committee will be to look at the

potential benefits from access to in the Municipality.

MOTION:

Council authorize filing of Notice of Intent to apply for a Gas distribution franchise by July 20, 2001; that Council reestablish the Ad-Hoc Committee on Gas effective immediately; and, that Council endorse the filing of an application for intervention status at the upcoming URB Hearing regarding the Sempra application (July 17, 2001).

**MOTION:** 

Extend the membership from six to seven members

(August 21, 2001).

**MOTION:** 

Halifax Regional Council approve the expansion of the Pipeline Review Committee to include Energy and Underground Services, that is, utility related issues, and further the Committee's name be changed to the Energy and Underground Services Committee with the current

membership remaining intact. (July 6, 2004)

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COUNCILLORS (7): Term: Two years

Term Expires: November, 2006

Councillor Stephen Adams

(Reappointed: November 19, 2002) (Reappointed: December 14, 2004)

Deputy Mayor Len Goucher

(Reappointed: November 19, 2002) (Reappointed: December 14, 2004)

Councillor Debbie Hum

(Appointed: November 18, 2003) (Reappointed: December 14 2004)

Councillor Sue Uteck

(Appointed: November 18, 2003) (Reappointed: December 14, 2004) Councillor Steve Streatch

(Appointed: December 14, 2004)

Councillor Linda Mosher

(Reappointed: November 19, 2002) (Reappointed: December 14, 2004)

Councillor Jim Smith

(Reappointed: November 19, 2002) (Reappointed: December 14, 2004)

Terms of Reference: Not yet established

Time and Day of Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month, Councillors' Meeting Room

**CHAIR: Councillor Stephen Adams**