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Board of Commissioners
Douglas / Okanogan County FPD No. 15
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Dear Commissioners:

Washington Surveying and Rating Bureau (WSRB) has completed its evaluation of the fire protection capabilities, as they relate to fire insurance rating, of your community. It is our pleasure to inform you that the Public Protection Classification (PPC) for Douglas / Okanogan County FPD No. 15 has improved from Protection Class 9 to Protection Class 8, effective January 1, 2010.

Protection Class 8 will apply to properties located within 5 road miles of a responding fire station and having standard hydrant distribution and water supply. Properties not meeting these requirements will receive a different protection class rating. Protection class ratings for individual properties are available by calling WSRB customer service at (206) 217-0101. We recommend residents of your community contact their insurance agents to determine the relative effect this new protection class will have on their insurance premiums.

We wish to thank Administrator William Vallance and Fire Chief Kitzman for their cooperation during the evaluation.

This survey was not conducted for property loss prevention or for life safety purposes. The purpose was to gather information needed to determine a fire insurance relevant Public Protection Classification that may be used to develop fire insurance rates or loss costs. Our evaluation criteria incorporate many national recognized standards, such as those developed by NFPA and AWWA, and has been filed with and approved by the Washington State Office of Insurance Commissioner.

If you have any questions, please let us know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Kelly McGougan'.

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Enclosure
CC: William Vallance
Fire Chief Kitzman

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