EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request

For Contract Awards, Renewals, and Increases

The Board is being asked to approve an extension to an existing Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with **Springfield Utility Board (SUB)** for the **Indefeasible Right of Use (IRU) Agreement** for **Dark Fiber Service.**

Board Meeting Date:	March 7, 2017			
Project Name/Contract#:	IRU for D	ark Fiber Service / IGA 114	16	
Primary Contact:	Mel Dam	ewood	Ext. 7145	
Purchasing Contact:	Quentin F	Furrow	Ext. <u>7380</u>	
Contract Amount: Original Contract Amount:		\$37,407 (2006-2011)		
Additional \$ Previously Approved:		\$ <u>227,593 (2011-2017)</u>		
Invoices over last approval:		\$		
Percentage over last approval:		<u></u> %		
Amount this Request:		\$160,000 (2017-2020)		
Resulting Cumulative Total:		\$425,000		
Contracting Method: Method of Solicitation:		Direct Negotiation		
If applicable, basis for exemption:		EWEB Rule 6-0190, ORS 190.010		
Term of Agreement:		April 1, 2006 to March 31, 2020		
Option to Renew?		Yes		
Approval for purchases "	as needed	"for the life of the contract	No	
Proposals/Bids Received	l (Range):	-		
Selection Basis:				

Narrative:

The Board is being asked to approve an extension to an existing Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Springfield Utility Board (SUB) for the Indefeasible Right of Use (IRU) Agreement for Dark Fiber Service.

Springfield Utility Board owns, maintains and operates fiber optic infrastructure in the Springfield area. Since 2006, SUB has leased one pair of "dark" fiber to EWEB to complete connections between EWEB Headquarters, the Hayden Bridge Filtration Plant, Hayden Bridge Switching Station, Thurston Substation, and the Leaburg and Walterville Power Plants. The fiber provides reliable and low cost broadband voice and data communications capabilities to these key Electric and Water facilities.

In 2013, EWEB increased its use of SUB dark fiber five-fold by increasing from one pair to five pairs in order to provide fiber connectivity for its Ethernet network. EWEB now has redundant communications to its electric facilities in Springfield and upriver; which are required in order to meet NERC Reliability Standards and Requirements for system operations. The requested additional funds will cover the additional service years including negotiated increases in lease fees over the next three years. EWEB's current SUB fiber utilization is 123.8 pair miles. With SUB's current lease rate of \$34.20 per pair mile the current annual cost is \$50,807.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Management requests the Board approve an extension to the existing IGA with **Springfield Utility Board (SUB)** for the **Indefeasible Right of Use (IRU) Agreement** for **Dark Fiber Service**. The costs for this service are included in Electric and Water budgets. EWEB has an overall O&M budget of \$9.34 Million for the Engineering and Environmental department in 2017.

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SIGNATURES:	
Project Coordinator:	
Manager:	
Purchasing Manager:	
Executive Officer:	
Board Approval Date:	

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