

State of Oregon
Department of Environmental Quality

Memorandum

Date: Aug. 1, 2012

To: Environmental Quality Commission

From: Dick Pedersen, Director

Subject: Agenda item L, Informational item: Commissioner recognition
Aug. 23-24, 2012, EQC meeting

Purpose of item This item recognizes the service of Judy Uherbelau, EQC commissioner. The August 2012 meeting is her last commission meeting.

Background Judy Uherbelau began her service on the Oregon Environmental Quality Commission March 1, 2005. During her service, the commission has taken many actions, passed dozens of rules and strengthened Oregon's regulations to protect human health and the environment.

Commissioner Uherbelau's extensive legal expertise and deep commitment to outreach to all parts of the state has been integral to the commission's successes in advancing regulations and agency policy that protects the environment for all Oregonians. While each commission is different due to the professional and personal experiences of its members, the commitment to Oregon's environment and all Oregonians is constant and obvious in Commissioner Uherbelau's dedication.

The commission is a five-member volunteer body, and DEQ sincerely appreciates the work and commitment of the commissioners. A new commissioner will be appointed by Governor Kitzhaber in September, and, pending Senate confirmation, will join EQC for its October 2012 meeting.

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