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The Honorable Tim Burgess  
President, Seattle City Council  
Seattle City Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Seattle, WA 98104

Dear Council President Burgess:

I am pleased to transmit to the City Council the following confirmation packet for the re-appointment of Ray Hoffman as the Director of Seattle Public Utilities.

The materials in this packet are divided into two sections:

**A. Director Name**

This section contains Ray's appointment and oath of office forms, his resume, and the press release announcing his re-appointment.

**B. Background Checks**

On file from original appointment.

Ray Hoffman has worked for the City since 1990 in a number of roles in SPU and its predecessor utility and as a policy advisor. During his time at SPU he has taken on a number of challenges, including a long-term water supply contract with the Cascade Water Alliance, the Cedar River Watershed Habitat Conservation Plan and the deal between the City and Boeing to clean up a Superfund site on the Duwamish Waterway.

Ray has also played an integral role in some of the City's most significant conservation programs, including its waste reduction and recycling effort, the 1% water conservation initiative, Seattle City Light's greenhouse gas mitigation program, and SPU's goal to become carbon neutral by 2015. Ray's leadership during the last four years includes overseeing SPU's Strategic Business Plan process and the consent decree with the EPA. He has also supported SPU's development of a Community Engagement and Equity Planning Toolkit, and worked with staff to successfully apply it to various services, projects and programs.

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His stewardship has led to a strengthened Capital Improvement Projects plan and asset management program as well as better internal financial controls. I am excited to re-appoint Ray as the leader of SPU and I urge you to support his re-appointment as Director.

If you have any questions about the attached materials or need additional information, please contact Uriel Ybarra of my office, at 206-684-8162, or via e-mail, at [uriel.ybarra@seattle.gov](mailto:uriel.ybarra@seattle.gov).

Sincerely,



Edward B. Murray  
Mayor, City of Seattle