RESOLUTION NO. 1458

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A USED SNOW CAT WITHOUT CALLING FOR BIDS

WHEREAS, the District has determined it is necessary to purchase a Snow Cat for replacement of the thirty year old model currently in use for power line maintenance and patrolling; and

WHEREAS, due to low annual operating hours, it has been determined that a used unit would provide good service at a substantially reduced cost of a new unit; and

WHEREAS, RCW 39.04.280(1)(b) provides that the Commission may waive the competitive bidding requirement to purchase equipment subject to special market conditions; and

WHEREAS, equipment dealers will not hold used units, or bid used units under formal bid contracts and eliminate the possibility of selling the equipment to other parties during the bidding process; and

WHEREAS, the District staff have been reviewing and inspecting used units, and have determined that a Pisten Bully Scout Snow Cat is available from Peterson Equipment Company for \$90,000 plus tax, which meets all the needs of the District; and

WHEREAS, the unit from Peterson Equipment Company is fully equipped, less a \$6,000 trade in for a 30 year old Thiokol "Imp", while a new unit exceeds \$105,000 exclusive of tax without desired options, for a savings in excess of \$15,000 to the District; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Okanogan County declare that due to special market conditions the bidding requirement be waived, and authorize the purchase of a 2007 Pisten Bully Scout Snow Cat in an amount not to exceed \$84,000 plus tax.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 3rd day of June, 2008.

Ernest J. Bolz, President

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