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**To:** LCOG Executive Committee  
**From:** George Kloeppe  
**Subject:** FY 2007-08 LCOG Member Dues

At its December 14 meeting, the LCOG Board will be asked to adopt the *rates* that will be applicable for the FY 2007-08 Member Dues Schedule. If approved by the Board, those rates will be combined with Portland State's population estimates (for the county and cities) and service account and school enrollment data (for the utilities and schools) to form the final Schedule in January. It is my intent to provide as much lead time as possible to our member jurisdictions, so that the requested COG dues amounts can be included in the local agencies' budget processes in the spring.

I will recommend that the basic dues structure that has been used for a number of years be maintained. Pursuant to the direction of the Board, a cost-of-living factor will be applied to each of the rates. That factor will be 3.0 percent—an increase smaller than the published CPI increase of 3.8 percent (August Annual Average 2006 CPI-U for US). A factor of 3 percent is recommended in recognition of the fiscal constraints under which LCOG's member jurisdictions are laboring. Under this proposal, the proposed rates for FY 2007-08 would be:

<u>Member Class</u>	<u>2006-07 Rate</u>	<u>2007-08 Rate</u>
Lane County	0.248	0.255
Cities	0.448	0.461
Schools	0.112	0.115
Utilities	0.112	0.115
Spec. Districts	\$448	\$461

The Committee's input on this proposal would be welcome. A recommendation for the adoption of dues rates for the next fiscal year would be appropriate.