



November 3, 2011

To: Executive Committee

From: George Kloeppel

Subject: LCOG 2012-13 Member Dues Rates

At its December 8 meeting, the Board will be asked to adopt Dues Rates for the next fiscal year. As soon as certified population and school enrollment figures are in hand, those rates will be used to generate the FY 2012-13 Dues Schedule—a component of next year’s Budget—and LCOG member jurisdictions will be notified.

In years past, an inflation factor has been applied to our Dues Rates in order to assure that this revenue source is keeping pace with inflation. We have not applied the CPI percentage in the last few years, in recognition of the difficult financial circumstances confronting local governments. I am persuaded that this is not the year to re-establish the inflation factor. Accordingly, I am recommending that the Rates that have been in place be retained for the coming year. I continue to believe that the tradition of adjusting rates to keep pace with diminished buying power is a good idea; and it is my hope that it can be employed again, when economic and political conditions allow. For now, I propose to “hold the line” on dues.

This would call for the following Rates to be applied in FY 2012-13. A motion to recommend these Rates to the Board of Directors is advised.

<u>Member Class</u>	<u>2011-12 Rate</u>	<u>2012-13 Rate</u>	<u>Basis</u>
Lane County	0.260	0.260	Population
Cities	0.470	0.470	Population
Schools	0.117	0.117	FT Students
Utilities	0.117	0.117	Service Accounts
Spec. Districts	\$470	\$470	Flat Rate