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John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor

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**To:** Energy Facility Siting Council

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**RE:** Amendment Rulemaking Progress Report (Information Item)

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Staff Recommendation: Proceed with the review of amendment rules and process with stakeholders described below.

Background:

Concerns raised by the Council about an increase in the numbers of amendment requests and a need for decision-making criteria for amendments, as well as issues raised by those affected by or regulated by amendment rules and processes, have served as a catalyst to initiate staff review. At the Council's August 24, 2012 meeting, the Council agreed that among the universe of rulemaking needs staff should begin work to address amendment issues first.

Progress Report:

Staff work is underway to:

- Identify types of amendment requests
- Identify a range of questions or issues to address
- Develop preliminary ideas for a range of possible solutions
- Plan and host one or more workshops to refine with stakeholders

Next Steps: If EFSC agrees with the process described in this memo, staff will:

1. Complete staff analysis
2. Host one or more workshops in November or December, 2012
3. Report workshop results and provide staff recommendations for the Council's direction at an early 2013 EFSC meeting.