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Water Supply financial information 2008/9

1. Purpose

To provide the committee with a financial overview and financial statement that are to be incorporated in the 2008/9 Water Supply Annual Report.

2. Significance of decision

The matters for decision in this report do not trigger the significance policy of the Council or otherwise trigger section 76(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.

3. Background

For several years, the Water Group has provided a separate annual report to complement the Council's Annual Report. This has enabled reporting of more detailed information of the wholesale water supply activities. The report is directed to our four city council customers, various groups that are interested in water supply and other specialist target audiences, for example, financial commentators.

This year, it is proposed that the Water Supply Annual Report 2008/9 will be submitted to Council on 29 September for approval. Although the full report is still being finalised, the financial overview and financial statements have been completed. It is appropriate for the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee to consider this aspect of the report.

4. Financial information

Attachment 1 provides the financial information that will be included in the Water Supply's 2008/9 Annual Report, subject to any minor editorial amendments. The financial overview in the attachment reviews the information and there are two items of note. The change in book value of the Council's water supply assets has been increased by 17.5% as a result of a recent asset revaluation. Also, although a slight operating loss was recorded for the year, the business remains sounds, with a positive cash flow.

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5. Communication

It is expected that Greater Wellington will issue a media release following approval of the Council's Annual Report and the Water Supply Annual Report at the end of September.

6. Recommendations

That the Committee recommend to Council:

- 1. **Receives** the report.
- 2. *Notes* the content of the report.
- 3. Approves the content in the Water Supply Annual Report.

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Attachment 1: Financial overview and financial statements

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