



Financial Management Committee  
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Ms. Kathy Mezei  
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Dear Ms. Mezei:

**SUBJECT: MASS NOTIFICATION SYSTEM FOR EMERGENCIES**

The Financial Management Committee, at its meeting held on 2016 February 24, received your correspondence on behalf of the sub-committee on emergency notification for the Chevron Community Advisory Panel seeking an update on the status of the report "Mass Notification System for Emergencies".

In 2013, the Finance and Civic Development Committee and Council received a staff report on mass notification. Arising from the discussion of the report by Council and the Committee, staff was requested to undertake a further review of options.

Staff did undertake a review, and it was recommended that any further review be deferred until there was greater clarity in a number of key areas:

1. Mass Electronic Notification technology is constantly changing, and analysis of current alternatives available and the associated costs would be required.
2. The Trans Mountain Expansion Project application being considered by the National Energy Board could potentially require a Mass Electronic Notification system as a condition of the process.
3. A number of initiatives by the Federal and Provincial governments related to Mass Electronic Notification have been progressing and the integration of local government into these systems and processes needs to be more clearly understood prior to taking further action.

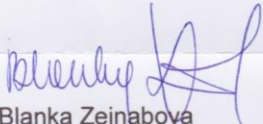
Based on these considerations, it was decided that no further action be taken at that time.

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Staff will continue to monitor developments arising from these proceedings and will consider alternatives and develop recommendations once there is more information on the three key areas given above.

Thank you for taking the time to inquire about an update on the Mass Notification System for Emergencies. We urge you to continue to require that Chevron have a mass electronic notification system as their facility is the source of potential hazards to the community.

Regards,



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