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Lincoln County Board of Commissioners
225 West Olive Street, Room 110
Newport, OR 97366

RE: Ambulance Service Review Committee (ASRC)

Dear Board of Commissioners:

This letter shall serve as a notification that I will be stepping down from both the Ambulance Service Review Committee and the appointed position of Chairperson. I have served on this committee for almost a year now since the committee was reformed and was appointed chair at our first meeting. My time on this committee has been supported and encourage by my Board of Directors at Siletz Valley Fire District, up until this time.

Due to funding shortfalls within my organization, my roles and responsibilities have grown over the past year. We have reduced our staffing levels from three to two and likely more cuts to come soon. Moreover, funding for my position is in danger due to a limited tax base and grant expiration. Beyond daily operations, my focus has transitioned from supporting the county emergency services to locating funding options for Siletz Fire to keep our agency sustainable.

I would like to say that this committee has been trending in the right direction. I do believe that future success will be likely, but the BOC's active interest with the committee would help facilitate that. It is essential there is proper oversight for the ASA providers to ensure the community is receiving the best possible care within the grounds of a sustainable business model. There have been times where this has been in question, which is why I feel your involvement in the future would be beneficial.

Thank you for your time and future support of the ASRC.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RC Mock", written over a horizontal line.

RC Mock

Fire Chief, Siletz Valley Fire District