

Memorandum

To: Mr. Ramon J. Hirsig
Executive Director

Date: August 18, 2006

From: 
David J. Gau, Deputy Director
Property and Special Taxes Department

Subject: **2006-07 Emergency Telephone Users Surcharge Rate**
(August 29, 2006 Administrative Consent Agenda)

In accordance with sections 41030, 41031, and 41032 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, the Department of General Services (DGS) annually determines and notifies the Board of the surcharge rate estimated to produce sufficient revenue to fund the current year's 911 costs. Once the rate is fixed by the Board and published in its minutes, registered service suppliers are notified that the rate applies to charges for intrastate telephone communication services made on or after November 1.

Attached is the August 9, 2006 notification from DGS. It has determined that based on revenue projections and anticipated expenditures for the 2006-07 fiscal year, the current surcharge rate of .65 percent should be reduced to the minimum allowed by statute of .50 percent. I recommend the Board's adoption of the new .50 percent Emergency Telephone Users Surcharge Rate for the period November 1, 2006 to October 31, 2007.

Please place this item on the Board's August 29, 2006 Administrative Consent Agenda for approval.

DJG:kn
Attachment

cc: Mr. Gary Evans
Ms. Lynn Bartolo

Approved: 
Ramon J. Hirsig, Executive Director

BOARD APPROVED
At the _____ Board Meeting

Gary Evans, Acting Chief
Board Proceedings Division



MEMORANDUM

Date: August 9, 2006

To: Ramon Hirsig, Executive Director
Board of Equalization
450 N Street, MIC-73
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: Department of General Services
Telecommunications Division (916) 657-9903

Subject: SURCHARGE RATE – STATE EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER
ACCOUNT

As stipulated by Revenue and Taxation Code 41020 and 41031, the Department of General Services shall determine no later than September 1 of each year, a surcharge rate that will produce sufficient revenues to fund the expenditures authorized in support of California's 9-1-1 program.

Based on revenue projections, existing reserves and anticipated expenditures for the 2006/07 Fiscal Year, the Telecommunications Division is recommending the surcharge rate be reduced from the current level of 0.65 percent to the minimum allowed by statute of 0.50 percent, a decrease of 0.15 percent.

If you require additional information, please contact Daphne Rhoe, Chief, California 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Office, at (916) 657-9911.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barry R. Hemphill", is written over a horizontal line.

BARRY R. HEMPHILL
Deputy Director for Telecommunications

cc: Lynn Bartolo, Chief, Excise Taxes and Fees Division, Board of Equalization
Joe Mugartegui, Chief, Office of Fiscal Services, Department of General Services
Daphne Rhoe, Chief, California 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Office