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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: In 1993 the State of Ohio passed House Bill 152, which requires the Division of Power and Water to pay operating license fees for the three water treatment plants. This fee is based upon the number of service connections. This is the 19th year for this payment. This fee is payable to the Treasurer, State of Ohio, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency by December 31st. Their Federal Identification Number is 31-6402047 (082).

Emergency Action is necessary so that the Division of Power and Water can pay the fee due by December 31, 2011, otherwise a 10% penalty may be applied.

FISCAL IMPACT: The Division of Power and Water has allocated \$227,500.00 in the 2011 Budget for this expense.

\$ 208,393.52 was expended for this purpose in 2010 \$ 208,393.52 was expended for this purpose in 2009.

To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to pay operating license fees for the three water treatment plants to the Treasurer, State of Ohio, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, for the Division of Power and Water; and to authorize the expenditure of \$211,000.00 from the Water Systems Operating Fund, and to declare an emergency. (\$211,000.00)

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio passed House Bill 152 in 1993 requiring the Division of Power and Water to pay operating license fees for three water treatment plants; and

WHEREAS, this fee is based upon the number of service connections. This is the 19th year for this payment. This fee is payable to the Treasurer, State of Ohio, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency by December 31st; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director of Public Utilities to pay operating license fees for the three water treatment plants to the Treasurer, State of Ohio, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, in an emergency manner in order to expedite payment of the fee, for the immediate preservation of public health, peace, property and safety; now, therefore.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

Section 1. That the Director of Public Utilities be and is hereby authorized to pay operating license fees, to the Treasurer, State of Ohio, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, for the Division of Power and Water, Department of Public Utilities.

Section 2. That the expenditure of \$211,000.00 much thereof as may be needed is hereby authorized from Water Systems Operating Fund 600, Department 60-09, OCA Code 601989, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3401, to pay the cost thereof.

Section 3. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby

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declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.