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Report to the Environment Committee  
from Rian van Schalkwyk, Manager Emergency Management

**Porirua City Council Emergency Management (Civil Defence) Plan**

1. **Purpose**

To seek approval under Section 35 (2) of the Civil Defence Act 1983 for extending the renewal date of the Porirua City Council Emergency Management Plan.

2. **Background**

The current Porirua City Council Emergency Management (Civil Defence) Plan expires on 10 September 2001. The existing Plan meets the requirements of the Wellington Regional Council and is also consistent with, and gives effect to, the operative Regional Civil Defence Plan.

Porirua City Council has requested a six-month extension to the renewal date for its Civil Defence Plan. This will enable the Council to incorporate the current local emergency response arrangements (Civil Defence Act 1983) and changes in the national and regional operating environment (new CDEMG legislation) into the plan.

This request is made pursuant to Section 36 (3) of the Civil Defence Act 1983, which reads as follows:

*"Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, a local civil defence plan shall continue to be operative while a new plan is prepared for such period or periods of extension, not exceeding 6 months in total, as may be granted by the regional or united council on the application of the territorial authority."*

3. **Recommendation**

*That the Committee extends the current Porirua City Council Emergency Management Plan to 10 March 2002.*

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