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Proposed CDEM Group Plan

1. Purpose

To ask the CEG to approve the proposed draft of the Wellington Region Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Plan (CDEM Group Plan).

2. Background

CDEM Group Plans have a five year operational period mandated by the CDEM Act (2002). The Wellington CDEM Group plan (1st generation) came into effect on 13 May 2005.

Due to requests from local authority Chief Executive Officers to look at the feasibility of shared services, the plan was placed on hold until a decision is made on the way forward for CDEM in the Wellington Region. This decision appears to taking longer than originally anticipated, so it was decided that the Group Plan should proceed, as it is now outside the mandated operational period.

3. Development of proposed draft plan

The following processes were employed in the development of the proposed CDEM Group Plan:

- Stakeholder workshops were conducted (June and July 2009) with emergency services, welfare agencies, lifeline organisations, national agencies and local authority emergency management staff. The results of the workshops have been incorporated into the proposed plan.
- Detailed review of the hazards and risk for the Wellington region (early 2009).

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- Internal review by Group Controllers and Emergency Management Officers from each of the local authorities.
- Informal review by MCDEM.

4. Submissions

Upon approval (both the CEG and CDEM Group) of the proposed plan the plan will be publically notified in November 2010 with submissions to be received by 31 January 2011. Following the submissions and possible hearings the proposed plan will go to the Minister for formal comment.

It is intended that the proposed Plan be presented to the CEG for approval at the April 2011 meeting and to the CDEM Group for final sign off in May 2011.

5. Recommendations

That the CEG:

- 1. Receives the report
- 2. Approves the proposed draft of the Wellington Region Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Plan for public consultation.

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Attachment 1: Copy of the proposed draft of the CDEM Group Plan

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