Appendix A

Petition Statement

We, the under-notated, acting as co-applicants, hereby request a formal re-assessment of the reduced call-out status of Metchosin's Fire Department Emergency Response team as a result of the process initiated by provincial authorities under the Critical Response Model. The consequences of this implementation have significantly increased the time required for on-site call-out attendance and places Metchosin residents, and its increasing number of parks and recreational visitors, unnecessarily at risk. The effectiveness of a local Emergency Response can only remain so if our locally based provider is fully informed of all emergency call-outs and in a timely fashion.

We therefore request the immediate re-instatement of our former callout status, and the return of local decision-making authority for on-site attendance, to the municipal level in the interests of safety and wellbeing for all.

The Co-Petitioners and Collection Methodology:

The 526 individuals listed below were personally contacted during the period of December 2020 through January 2021. All of these persons indicated their clear understanding of the Statement above and the implications of same. Many cited personal recent experiences that reflect the urgency of this Petition.

Contact was undertaken by a variety of means in accordance with Covid-19 health advisories, primarily via e-mail and personal phone calls. All petitioners listed below are residents of the District of Metchosin and 18 years of age or older. Detailed records of the collection process and the ensuing results are available for scrutiny.