<u>PRESS RELEASE</u>
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TO: KMAS, KRXY, SHELTON-MASON COUNTY JOURNAL, THE
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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CITY OF SHELTON, ECONOMIC
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RE: Environmental Health Advisory Committees

Mason County is looking for individuals to fill citizen-at- large positions on three
Environmental Health Advisory Committees. The committees have members with strong
technical knowledge and experience, but need interested citizens to bring a lay person's
perspective to the process.

The Food Advisory committee meets as a project committee, only meeting when there
is specific work to be done. This committee will be called together to help the
community make a smooth transition into the new food regulations being adopted by the
State Board of Health later this year.

The Drinking Water Advisory committee meets quarterly during the day. Meetings
are on a Wednesday from 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM. This committee is finishing a project
concerning the process of developing wells and will be working on updating the Group B
regulations and the workbook for existing, non-expanding wells.

The Onsite Advisory committee meets monthly, except during the construction
season, on the third Tuesday of the month from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. This group has
taken on the task of merging the three regulations and policy documents used by the
department to make one working document based on the State Onsite Regulations that
will be adopted later this year.

For further information on these committees please contact Debbie Riley, Environmental
Health Manager at 427-9670 ext. 358. For an application, please contact the Mason
County Commissioners office at 427-9670 Ext. 419 or visit our website at
www.co.mason.wa.us. Completed applications must be submitted to the
Commissioners' office by June 15, 2004.

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