

**Statement Required by Section 2254.1036(b)**

Midland Memorial Hospital finds the following as to the Copper Pipe Case:

- (1) there is a substantial need for the legal services;
- (2) the legal services cannot be adequately performed by the attorneys and supporting personnel of the political subdivision; and
- (3) the legal services cannot reasonably be obtained from attorneys in private practice under a contract providing only for the payment of hourly fees, without regard to the outcome of the matter, because the political subdivision does not have funds to pay the estimated amounts required under a contract providing only for the payment of hourly fees.