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VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Raul Pino, MD, MPH
Commissioner
Connecticut Department of Public Health
410 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06134

Re: Woodridge Lake Sewer District's Proposed Regional Sewer Connection Project.

Dear Commissioner Pino:

Thank you for affording the Woodridge Lake Sewer District ("WLS D") the opportunity to respond to your letter, dated November 21, 2016, and provide you with an original and two copies of the enclosed information from Woodard & Curran regarding the proposed regional sewer connection project ("Project"). Also enclosed for your review is a courtesy copy of a letter from the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, dated November 18, 2016, regarding the Project, and in particular, the transmission line's proposed route.

As you will see from the enclosed letter and report by Woodard & Curran, Woodard & Curran has undertaken a detailed review of the public health elements of the Project and all alternatives, including impacts each alternative may have on a potential source of public drinking water, and has determined that the selected route does not constitute a threat to the environment or public health, and continues to be the best alternative. Woodard & Curran has also analyzed whether the Project will induce any future growth along the proposed route as it relates to the environment and public health, and has determined that there will be no impact because the proposed force main will serve only as a transmission main for WLS D.

Woodard & Curran's letter and report also provide detailed information regarding the design and features of the proposed pipe, which meet and, in some respects, exceed applicable local, state, and federal regulations. The proposed pipe is what is referred to as a "tight pipe," which will include modern monitoring and control features to detect a leak, in the unlikely event that one should occur. In addition, WLS D has agreed to design that section of the pipe that will traverse an edge of the Alan Reservoir Dam Watershed with additional safety features, as proposed by the Torrington Water Company.

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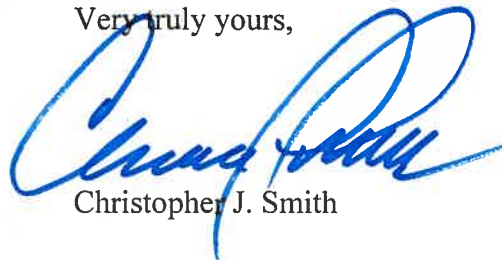
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In conclusion, Woodard & Curran has determined that the selected Project route is protective of public health and public drinking water supplies, and will not induce growth. We trust that the attached information will provide you with the data necessary to conclude your investigation, and determine that the selected route will not pose an immediate threat to the public health or public drinking water.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,



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