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**RULES AND REGULATIONS
SEWER SYSTEM
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A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A SEWER SYSTEM BY THE MID-CENTRE COUNTY AUTHORITY IN CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.

From and after the effective date of this Resolution, the following Rules and Regulations shall be in effect and govern the operation of the sewer system of the Mid-Centre County Authority in Centre County, Pennsylvania (hereinafter referred to as "Authority").

**ARTICLE I.
DEFINITIONS**

Unless the context specifically and clearly indicates otherwise the meaning of terms used in this Resolution shall be as follows:

"Act" shall mean the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, also known as the Clean Water Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C § 1251 *et seq.*

"Authority" shall mean Mid-Centre County Authority of Centre County, Pennsylvania, a municipality authority organized and existing under the Municipality Authorities Act of 1945, as amended and supplemented.

"Billing Unit" shall mean and includes, as applicable, each of the following: a "Commercial Establishment", a "Residential Establishment", or an "Industrial Establishment".

"Borough" shall mean the Borough of Milesburg and the Borough of Unionville, Centre County, Pennsylvania, municipalities of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting by and through their Councils' or, in appropriate cases, acting by and through their authorized representatives.

"Building Sewer" shall mean the pipe leading from the sewage drainage system of any structure to the Service Lateral of a Collection Sewer.

"Categorical Pretreatment Standard" or "Categorical Standard" shall mean any regulations containing pollutant discharge limits promulgated by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in accordance with Sections 307(b) and (c) of the Act (33 U.S.C. § 1317) which apply to a specific category of users and which appear in 40 CFR Chapter I, Subchapter N, Parts 405 – 471.

"Collection Sewer" or "Sewer Main" shall mean the Authority's collection sanitary sewers located under highways, roads, streets, and rights-of-way with branch Service Laterals that collect and convey Sanitary Sewage or Industrial Wastes or a

combination of both to a pumping or treatment facility.

"Commercial Establishment" shall mean any room, group of rooms, building or enclosure containing plumbing and used or intended for use in the operation of one business enterprise for the sale or distribution of any product, commodity, article or service or used or intended for use for any social, amusement, religious, educational, charitable or public purpose. "Commercial Establishment" includes institutional dormitories, but does not include personal care boarding homes licensed by the Commonwealth.

"Compatible Pollutant" shall mean wastewater constituents which the wastewater treatment plant is designed to treat, and wastewater substances which will not interfere with the treatment system or pass through the treatment system inadequately treated.

"Connection Fee" shall mean a fee imposed in accordance with Chapter 56 of Title 53 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes to reimburse the Authority for the costs incurred in providing the necessary facilities between the main sewer line and the property line of the property to be served.

Where the Authority has allowed the property Owner or others to construct these facilities, the connection fee will reflect the Authority's cost of inspection, administrative processing, or other costs chargeable to these facilities.

"Connection Unit" shall mean each individual building or portion of a building (factory, apartment house or office building) which is designed or adaptable to separate ownership. Other multiple unit structures whose individual apartments or units are connected to a common internal sewage system and are not subject to separate ownership shall be considered as one Connection Unit.

"Contractor" shall mean the individual, firm, partnership, co-partnership or corporation designated by the Owner for the construction of sanitary sewers.

"Customer Facilities Fee" shall mean a fee imposed in accordance with Chapter 56 of Title 53 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes to reimburse the Authority for the costs of facilities installed between the property line and the internal plumbing of the property to receive service.

Where the Owner or others install these facilities, the customer facilities fee will reflect the Authority's cost of inspection, administrative processing, or other costs chargeable to these facilities.

"Domestic Wastes" or "Domestic Wastewater" shall mean the wastes produced from noncommercial or nonindustrial activities, and which result from normal human living processes, which are of substantially similar origin and strength to those typically produced in residential establishments, including wastes from sanitary

conveniences.

"Engineer" shall mean the individual, firm, or corporation presently employed as Consulting Engineer to the Authority.

"Equivalent Dwelling Unit" (EDU) shall mean a unit of service equivalent to that provided to a single family Residential Establishment.

"Improved Property" shall mean any property upon which there is erected a structure intended for continuous or periodic habitation, occupancy or use by human beings or animals and from which Sanitary Sewage and/or Industrial Wastes shall be or may be discharged.

"Industrial Establishment" shall mean any room, group of rooms, building or other enclosure used or intended for use, in whole or in part, in the operation of a business enterprise for manufacturing, fabricating, processing, cleaning, laundering or assembling any product, commodity, or article or from which any industrial waste, as distinct from Sanitary Sewage, shall be discharged.

"Industrial User" an Industrial Establishment or an improved property used, in whole or in part, for manufacturing, processing, cleaning, laundering or assembling any product, commodity or article or from which any process waste, as distinct from domestic waste, shall be discharged.

"Industrial Wastes" shall mean any solid, liquid or gaseous substance or waterborne wastes or forms of energy rejected or escaping from any industrial, manufacturing, trade or business process or the development, recovery or processing of any natural resources, as distinct from Sanitary Sewage.

"Interference" shall have the meaning as defined in 40 CFR Section 403.3.

"National Pretreatment Standards" or "Pretreatment Regulations" shall mean any regulation containing pollutant discharge limits promulgated by the EPA in accordance with Section 307 (b) and (c) of the Act which applies to Industrial Users.

"Nonresidential Establishment" shall mean any Improved Properties consisting of commercial, industrial, schools, professional offices, churches, institutions, etc... that is not a Residential Establishment.

"NPDES Permit" shall mean a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit issued pursuant to Section 402 of the Act.

"Owner" shall mean any Person vested with ownership, legal or equitable, sole or partial, of any Improved Property.

"Pass Through" shall have the meaning as defined in 40 CFR Section 403.3.

"Person" shall mean any individual, partnership, company, association, society, corporation, trust, governmental body, political subdivision, municipality, municipality authority, or other group or entity.

"Pollutant" shall mean any solid or liquid waste, sewage, garbage, sludge, chemical wastes, biological or radioactive materials, heat, industrial, municipal, or agricultural waste discharged into the water.

"Pressure System" shall mean a system consisting of a complete grinder pump system including grinder pump, motor, basin, control panel, and pressure lateral between the grinder pump unit and point of connection at the curb box.

"Reservation of Capacity Fee" shall mean a fee imposed by the Authority for allocating to an Owner, based on his request, capacity in the Authority's Sewer System or wastewater treatment facility in advance of his payment of the Authority's Tapping Fee.

"Residential Establishment" shall mean any room, group of rooms, building or other enclosure occupied or intended for occupancy as separate living quarters by a family or other group of Persons living together or by a Person living alone, excluding institutional dormitories, but including personal care boarding homes licensed by the Commonwealth.

"Sanitary Sewage" shall mean the normal water-carried household and toilet wastes from any Improved Property.

"Service Lateral" shall mean that part of the Sewer System extending from a Collection Sewer to the curb line, right-of-way line or, if there is no curb or right-of-way line, to the property line.

"Sewer" shall mean any pipe, main, or conduit constituting a part of the Sewer System and used or usable for collection and transportation of Sanitary Sewage and Industrial Wastes.

"Sewer System" shall mean all facilities and property owned by the Authority as of any particular time, including but not limited to, facilities for collecting, pumping, conveying, and treating Sanitary Sewage and Industrial Wastes.

"Significant Industrial User" shall mean any industrial user of the Sewer System who:

1. Discharges 25,000 gallons per day or more of process wastewater. Process wastewater is any water, which, during manufacturing or processing comes into direct contact with (or results from the production or use of) any raw material, intermediate product, finished product, by-product, or waste

product. Process wastewater does not normally include sanitary wastewater, non-contact cooling water, or plant-area stormwater runoff, unless such wastewaters are covered by a federal regulation, or

2. Contributes an actual or estimated process wastestream which makes up 5 percent or more of the total recorded flow into the treatment system, or
3. Is subject to a national categorical pretreatment standard as published by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, or
4. Is found by the EPA, State, or Authority to have a reasonable potential to adversely affect, either singly or in combination with other users, on the processes, effluent, sludge, or air emissions of the treatment system.

"Slug Loading" shall mean any pollutant including oxygen demanding pollutants (BOD5, etc.) released in a discharge at a flow rate and or concentration which will cause interference with the treatment system.

"Standard Construction Specifications" shall mean the current standard construction and material specifications for sanitary sewer extensions of the Authority.

"Standard Methods" shall mean the most recent edition of "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" as published by the American Public Health Association, American Water Works Association, and Water Environment Federation.

"Tapping Fee" shall mean a fee imposed by the Authority in accordance with Chapter 56 of Title 53 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes consisting of a capacity part, a collection system part, a special purpose part, and a reimbursement part.

The Capacity Part A fee to recover the costs of capacity-related general system facilities including, but not limited to, treatment, pumping, trunks, interceptor and outfall mains, storage, sludge treatment and disposal, interconnection or other system facilities to provide existing service and future capacity-related facilities to provide future services as restricted therein.

The Collection Part A fee to recover the costs of collection-related facilities such as mains required to provide existing services and those that will provide future services.

Special Purpose Part A fee to recover the costs of special purpose facilities applicable only to a particular group of customers, serving a particular purpose or serving a specific area,

and such facilities may include those that provide existing services and those that will provide future services.

Reimbursement Part A fee to recover the amount necessary to recapture the allocable portions of facilities in order to reimburse the property Owner at whose expense such facilities were constructed.

"Township" shall mean Boggs or Union Township, Centre County, Pennsylvania, a municipal subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting by and through its authorized representatives.

"Treatment System" shall mean all facilities, structures, and equipment owned and operated by the Authority for the collecting, transporting, treatment, recycling, and reclamation of wastewater including any works that are an integral part of the treatment process.

"Wastewater" shall mean Sanitary Sewage or Industrial Wastes or any combination thereof.

ARTICLE II. CONNECTION PERMITS

SECTION 2.10: Connection Permit Application

No connection shall be made nor construction of the Building Sewer, Service Lateral, or Pressure System commenced unless and until the Owner of the property in which the work is to be done, or the Contractor who is to do the work as the Owner's representative, shall have applied for and obtained a connection permit, in the manner hereinafter provided. A connection permit shall also be required whenever any of the following situations exist:

1. A new building or facility is connected to the Sewer System or to the internal drainage system of an existing building or facility.
2. An existing building or facility is expanded in such a way that there is an increased potential for the generation of wastewater. Flow estimates shall be made by the Authority based on sound engineering practice.

In addition, persons applying for connection of a Nonresidential Establishment must satisfy the requirements of Article IX.

The application for connection to the Sewer System shall be submitted on the official form prepared for this purpose and must be complete. Forms may be secured at the Authority's office.

SECTION 2.20: Payment of Connection Fees

The application referred to in Section 2.10 shall be accompanied by the required fees as provided for in Section 6.10. An application is not considered complete unless accompanied by payment of all applicable fees.

SECTION 2.30: Permit Issuance

Upon receipt of a properly executed application to connect, and payment of all required fees, the Authority shall issue a connection permit to the Owner.

SECTION 2.40: Permit Display

The connection permit shall be kept on the Owner's premises and shall be made available for review, upon request, from the time the work begins until the final inspection has been made and the work has been approved.

SECTION 2.50: Permits for Significant Industrial Users

All Industrial Users proposing to connect to or discharge to the Sewer System shall obtain a wastewater discharge permit before connecting to or discharging to the Sewer System. The

wastewater discharge permit will define the allowable levels of pollutants discharged into the Authority's Sewer System.

SECTION 2.60: Sale of Property

If a property which is connected to the Sewer System is sold, or otherwise conveyed, the purchaser and/or seller shall promptly notify the Authority of such sale or conveyance.

**ARTICLE III.
CONNECTION PROCEDURE AND SPECIFICATIONS**

SECTION 3.10: Specifications for Connection

No connection shall be made to the Sewer System unless the manner in which the connection is made and the materials and workmanship employed in affecting such connection shall comply with the requirements of the Authority. It shall also be necessary for all connections to comply with any special requirements imposed under Section 3.50 of this Resolution.

SECTION 3.20: Illegal Discharges

Any person who discharges or permits to be discharged any material to the Sewer System except through approved connections will be subject to charges as provided in Section 6.80 in addition to being subject to the penal provisions of any appropriate Township Ordinance.

SECTION 3.30: Separate Connections and Exceptions

Except as otherwise provided in this Section, each Connection Unit shall be connected separately and independently with a Sewer through a Building Sewer.

The grouping of more than one Connection Unit on a Building Sewer shall not be permitted except under special circumstances or for good sanitary reasons or other demonstrated good causes. Special permission of the Authority, in writing, must be secured and is subject to such rules, regulations, and conditions as may be prescribed by the Authority.

Further, in the event a single Building Sewer is permitted to serve a double house or condominium complex, it will be necessary for the Owners to sign an agreement (which the Authority may record in the office of the Recorder of Deeds) relieving the Authority of any responsibility or obligation caused by or resulting from the installation of a single Building Sewer. The agreement shall provide that any disagreement between the parties concerning future maintenance of the common sewer will be sufficient cause for the Authority to require additional connections to the Sewer Main to provide individual service. The installation of such separate Building Sewers and/or Service Laterals shall be made at the expense of the Owners signing the agreement.

SECTION 3.40: Legal Requirements

All Contractors and qualified individuals installing connections to the Sewer System shall comply with all of the Authority's rules, regulations and guidance and all Federal, State, and local requirements, including but not limited to the following:

1. The latest Borough and/or Township Ordinance governing sewer connections and the Borough and/or Township Road Occupancy Regulations;
2. Pennsylvania Law which requires that a utility be notified in advance of work to be

performed in the area of a utility's facilities;

3. Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration Regulations;
4. Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Regulations for work within State Highway rights-of-way, such as, but not limited to: (i) permits, (ii) blasting bonds, (iii) construction methods and materials, (iv) inspection and (v) traffic control;
5. Department of Environmental Protection Streams Encroachment and Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Requirements.

SECTION 3.50: Special Conditions

Whenever, in the opinion of the Engineer or other duly authorized representative of the Authority, special conditions require additional safeguards or more stringent specifications to be observed, then, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Resolution, or requirements of the Township, the Authority specifically reserves the right to refuse to permit a connection to be made to its Sewer System until such special requirements or specifications as may be stipulated by the Authority have been satisfied.

SECTION 3.60: Contractor Qualifications

No Contractor shall install or construct a Building Sewer, Service Lateral or Pressure System unless registered with the Authority. The Contractor shall register by providing evidence of past experience in blasting, plumbing, or electrical work, and by providing evidence of adequate insurance coverage. Evidence of insurance coverage shall be presented to the Authority in the form of insurance certificates and shall indicate coverage with the following minimum limits:

GENERAL LIABILITY

Bodily Injury and Property Damage - \$1,000,000

(Contractual liability coverage to fund the hold-harmless agreement contained in the Authority's registration application and coverage of independent contractors, and completed operations shall also be included.)

AUTOMOTIVE

Bodily Injury and Property Damage - \$300,000

Insurance certificates shall be kept current with the Authority during the period the Contractor is installing or constructing Building Sewers, Service Laterals or Pressure System in the Mid-Centre County Authority.

The Authority's Contractor registration becomes final upon the satisfactory completion by the Contractor of at least one Building Sewer, Service Lateral or Pressure System installation in the Authority's service area.

Removal of a Contractor from the Authority's registration listing may be performed for any of the following reasons:

1. Contractor fails to maintain the required certificates of insurance specified by the Authority;
2. Contractor non-compliance with Authority requirements;
3. Excessive expenditure of Authority personnel time and effort to monitor Contractor work performance;
4. Noncompliance with the quality of work required by the Authority.

The identity of all Contractors removed from the approved registration list will be announced at the next public meeting of the Authority.

The installation of a Building Sewer or Pressure System by the Property Owner will be considered on a case-by-case basis subsequent to a formal written request and submission of qualifications.

SECTION 3.70: Building Sewer and Service Lateral Pipes and Fittings

For all gravity installations, the pipe and fittings used for the Building Sewer and Service Lateral shall be ductile iron conforming to the requirements of ANSI 21.51 & ANSI 21.10 or Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) SDR 35 pipe and fittings conforming to the requirements of ASTM D 3034 manufactured from Class 12454-B.

For all pressurized systems Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) SDR-21 pipe conforming to the requirements of ASTM D 2241 manufactured from Class 12454-5 (PVC 1120) rigid PVC compounds shall be used.

Joints for ductile iron pipes and fittings shall be either mechanical or push-on with rubber gasket compression joints conforming to the requirements of ANSI A21.11. Joints for PVC SDR-35 and PVC SDR-21 pipes and fittings shall be push-on type gasket joints conforming to ASTM D 3212 and ASTM D 3139 respectively. The gasket shall conform to ASTM F 477.

The pipes shall have permanently tight joints which shall prevent the admission of groundwater and shall be laid at a minimum grade of one quarter (1/4) inch per foot with the best possible alignment. To protect the pipes from frost or crushing from surface activity, a minimum of four (4) feet of cover must be provided. Under special conditions, a variance to the latter two requirements may be granted by the Authority.

The pipe for the Building Sewer and Service Lateral shall have a minimum inside diameter of four (4) and six (6) inches respectively. No transitions from one pipe size to another or from one pipe material to another will be made unless manufactured adapters, designed specifically for that purpose and approved by the Authority, are used. All changes in direction must be made with pipe fittings. No fitting greater than forty-five (45) degrees will be permitted, except under certain conditions acceptable to the Authority. Sweep ninety (90) degree bends may be used.

For purposes of identification and early warning during trenching or other excavation, non-residential properties shall have continuous warning tapes in all trenches. Such tapes shall be optional for residential properties. Tapes shall be buried at a depth of six (6) inches below finished grade. In pavement, tapes shall be buried six (6) inches below the top of the subgrade. The underground warning tape shall be a magnetic polyethylene tape, three (3) inches in width with a minimum lettering of one inch.

SECTION 3.80: Main Trap and Air Intake Pipes

Prior to the installation of the Building Sewer, the Authority's representative may inspect the property to determine whether or not the plumbing facilities are properly trapped and vented.

A trap and vent pipe must be provided for each Building Sewer (See Exhibit A). The vent and trap must be placed immediately outside the building wall. The top of the air intake pipe shall extend a minimum of 12 inches above the ground surface to prevent surface water from entering and shall be provided with a mushroom or other type cap sufficient to prevent the entrance of rainwater.

SECTION 3.90: Cleanouts

Unless otherwise authorized by the Authority or its representative, clean-outs shall be provided in each Building Sewer at intervals that will permit complete rodding with a fifty (50) foot long auger or tape. Such intervals shall include the length of the Service Lateral and riser as appropriate. Clean-outs will also be required within five (5) feet upstream of every change in direction greater than forty-five (45) degrees and immediately downstream of the trap. Clean-outs shall be constructed using a one piece combination wye and 45-degree bend and riser to the ground surface. The riser pipe shall be provided with a standard 4-inch screw-type ferrule and shall be watertight.

SECTION 3.100: Building Sewer and Service Lateral Bedding

Building Sewers and Service Laterals shall be provided with a stone bedding consisting of AASHTO No. 8 coarse aggregate or suitable substitute if approved by the Authority's Representative. Exposed bedrock shall not be considered a suitable substitute. If stone is required, a minimum of four (4) inches of stone is required underneath the pipe with backfill of stone to the midpoint of the pipe diameter.

SECTION 3.110: Notification of Authority Inspector

The permit holder shall give advance notice to the Authority's representative when the facilities to be connected to the Sewer System are ready to be tested. This advance notice shall be at least 48 hours prior to the desired date and time of the test. It shall be the duty of the permit holder to insure that the facilities will withstand the prescribed test before giving notification to the Authority. Inspections and tests shall only be performed during the hours posted by the Authority's inspector.

SECTION 3.120: Open Trench Inspection of Building Sewers, Service Laterals and Pressure Systems

No connection or pipe trench shall be backfilled unless and until the Service Lateral, Pressure System or Building Sewer installation has been inspected, tested and approved by the Authority's representative. The Building Sewer, Service Lateral, or Pressure System may be carefully covered with twelve (12) inches of AASHTO No. 8 stone prior to testing and inspection provided the joints are left uncovered.

SECTION 3.130: Air Testing and Inspection of Building Sewers

An air test (See Exhibit B) shall be performed in the presence of the Authority's representative on the line being installed from the point of connection at the building to the point of connection at the Service Lateral, grinder pump or Sewer Main. Both ends of the Building Sewer, or the Building Sewer and Service Lateral, shall remain uncovered until the air testing has been completed and the installation approved and noted in writing on the permit. No other evidence of such approval shall be accepted.

After the air test has been completed and the installation approved, the remainder of the trench shall be backfilled, compacted, and restored with clean earth void of rock, wood, or other similar debris. The entire backfill process shall be carried out carefully so as not to disturb the pipe.

Use of a new connection to the Sewer System will not be permitted until the installation has been inspected, tested, and approved in accordance with the Authority's procedures.

SECTION 3.140: In-Home Inspection and Discharge Regulations

At the time of the inspection of the Building Sewer, and from time to time as determined by the Authority, the Authority's representatives shall have the right to inspect the facilities within the home following adequate prior notification to determine whether the facilities connected to the Sewer System are in conformance with the Authority's Rules and Regulations.

All water contaminated by use must be discharged into the sewer including water from sinks and washing machines. Conversely, the discharge of roof, storm, surface, or building foundation water or drainage into the sewer is expressly prohibited. Floor drains in

basements subject to groundwater infiltration or flooding must also be removed, permanently sealed, or otherwise not connected to the Building Sewer.

SECTION 3.150: Building Sewer, Grinder Pump Station, Pressure System and Service Lateral Costs

All of the costs and expenses associated with the construction of the Building Sewer, Pressure System or Service Lateral and the connection of the Building Sewer to a Service Lateral or Pressure System, including testing, shall be borne by the Owner of the Improved Property. Such Owner shall indemnify and save harmless the Authority from all loss or damage which may be occasioned, directly or indirectly, from the construction of the Building Sewer, Pressure System or Service Lateral and the connection of the Building Sewer to a Service Lateral or Pressure System.

SECTION 3.160: Grinder Pump Station Agreements

On occasion, it may be practical and desirable for the Authority to allow Owners of improved property to have access to the Authority's Sewer System by use of a grinder pump station and Pressure System. Owners may be required to enter into a written agreement with the Authority before a permit is granted for such connections. The agreement shall be in a form approved by the Authority and shall set forth the terms under which the Authority shall render service through such connections. Copies of the agreement may be recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Centre County.

SECTION 3.170: Grinder Pump Station Specifications and Maintenance of the Pressure System

Prior to issuance of a Pressure System connection permit, the Owner shall submit to the Authority documentation to enable the Authority to determine whether the proposed installation meets its requirements and whether the grinder pump will serve its intended purpose.

For single-family residential establishments, the prefabricated Grinder Pump Station shall consist of a Basin Package, Grinder Pump, Control Panel, and all other necessary appurtenances. All equipment in the wet well shall be capable of constant submergence in sewage to a minimum depth of ten feet without electrical power being energized. All materials exposed to wastewater shall have inherent corrosion protection: i.e., painted cast iron, fiberglass, stainless steel, PVC. The Grinder Pump Station shall be free from electrical and fire hazards and shall be mounted at a suitable location outside the home.

Each Basin Package shall:

- A. Be suitable for use near structures, and be free from noise, odor, or health hazards.
- B. Be supplied in a wet well configuration.
- C. Include one (1) PVC flapper type check valve for installation in the service lateral between the grinder pump station and the pressure Sewer Main.
- D. Provide a level detection for controlling pump and alarm operation.

- E. Be equipped with a ball valve at the pump discharge.
- F. Include an anti-siphon capability in the discharge piping system.
- G. Be furnished with a molded polyethylene cover.
- H. Be furnished with factory pre-wired junction box. The junction box shall be protected from ground water and be mounted on the under side of the cover.
- I. Be equipped with a stainless steel "C" channel rail assembly to facilitate removal of the pump(s) from ground level.

Each Grinder Pump Unit shall:

- 1. Be factory built.
- 2. Be manufactured by the Owner's preferred manufacturer.

Each Control Panel shall:

- 1. Be constructed with a padlock-able fiberglass enclosure
- 2. Include a visual and audible high water alarm device.
- 3. Include an elapsed time meter to indicate pump run time.

Maintenance of the Pressure System to the point of connection with the Service Lateral, or Sewer Main, shall be the responsibility of the Owner.

Pressure systems for all other types of Nonresidential Establishments are subject to the review and approval of the Authority.

SECTION 3.180: Grinder Pump Station Installation

All grinder pump station equipment shall be installed strictly in accordance with recommendations of the manufacturer. Excavation for the grinder pump station shall be to a depth such that, after installation of the grinder pump station, the top of the unit shall be raised six (6) inches above finished grade. All piping within the station shall be at a level that is lower than the frost depth or depth of bury specified for the low pressure sewer piping, which ever is lowest. The bottom of the excavation shall be level and all loose material shall be removed. A 6-inch deep layer of gravel or crushed stone, equal to or finer than AASHTO No. 8, shall be placed in the excavation prior to placement of the grinder pump station. The grinder pump station shall be weighted and anchored with a concrete weight. The concrete shall have a minimum strength of 2,500 psi and a minimum weight of 1,000 lbs (See Exhibit C).

The grinder pump station shall be leveled on the gravel base and rotated for proper alignment with the gravity Building Sewer, pressure lateral Sewer, and electrical service connection. Backfill around the grinder pump station, and for a distance of one foot above the pressure lateral discharge pipe, shall be AASHTO No. 8 stone, as required, with proper compaction. Care shall be taken to bring the fill up evenly around the grinder pump station. Rock, wood, or other debris shall not be used as backfill. After stone backfill has been placed around the station to a height of one (1) foot above the pressure lateral discharge pipe, clean earth fill may be used to complete the backfill operation to the ground surface.

SECTION 3.190: Pressure Lateral Specifications and Installation

The pressure lateral (See Exhibit C) shall be one and one-half (1-1/2) inch SDR 21 PVC pipe (200 psi), with rubber gasket joints. The pipe shall be placed a minimum of four feet below the surface. Thrust blocks shall be provided for all fittings and at all locations where horizontal and/or vertical deflections are made.

A minimum of four inches of AASHTO No. 8 coarse aggregate shall be placed underneath the pipe. Stone backfill shall be placed to a minimum of one foot above the top of the pipe in such a manner so as not to disturb the pipe. Backfill for the remaining portion of the trench shall be in accordance with the requirements of Section 3.120 & 3.130.

In addition, where a pressure lateral discharges into a force main collection sewer, a curb box and redundant check valve shall be installed by the Owner unless already provided by the Authority as a part of its facilities.

SECTION 3.200: Grinder Pump Station Wiring Specifications

All wiring in the grinder pump station shall be installed and functionally tested at the factory. As a minimum requirement, all wire connections inside the basin wet well must be completed during factory assembly and 100% functionally tested prior to shipment. This includes all control panel connections. All electrical wires penetrating or passing through the silhouette of the pump station must be guaranteed to be water tight by the manufacturer and must be installed at the factory prior to shipment. No junctions, plugs, electrical quick disconnects (EQD's) etc. will be allowed between the pump motor housing and the junction box, nor junction box and control panel. Direct bury electrical cable must be factory installed in the station and arrive at the job site with a minimum length of fifty (50) feet external to the station ready to unroll and connect to power source and control panel. Installation of wiring from the control panel to the Owner's circuit breaker panel or fuse box shall be in accordance with the requirements of all local, state, and national electric codes and the grinder pump manufacturer's recommendations. Underground conduit shall be a minimum diameter of three-fourths (3/4) of an inch and watertight. A minimum of two (2) feet of cover shall be provided.

SECTION 3.210: Underground Warning Tape

For the purposes of early warning and identification of underground wiring and pressure piping during trenching or other excavation, continuous warning tapes shall be provided in all trenches. Tapes shall be buried to a depth of six (6) inches below finished grade. In pavement, tapes shall be buried six (6) inches below the top of the subgrade. The underground warning tape shall be a magnetic polyethylene tape, three (3) inches wide with 1-inch lettering.

SECTION 3.220: Gravity Portion of Grinder Pump Station Installation

The gravity portion of the Building Sewer upstream of the grinder pump station, including traps and clean-outs, shall be constructed as provided in other applicable sections of Article

III (especially Sections 3.70 through 3.130) except that the clean-out riser immediately downstream of the house trap shall be modified to also serve as a vent for the grinder pump basin.

SECTION 3.230: Testing and Inspection of Grinder Pump Stations and Pressure Systems

Every Grinder Pump Station and Pressure System shall be inspected, tested and approved by the Authority prior to connection to the Sewer System lateral. Each grinder pump shall be submerged, operated and tested for performance compliance to its respective curve. The pressure lateral shall be hydrostatically tested by the installer in accordance with the procedures and requirements listed in Exhibit D. If the pressure lateral fails the prescribed test requirements, the installer shall be responsible for determining deficiencies in the materials and/or workmanship and for correcting the same to the satisfaction of the Authority. The installation shall then be retested for conformance with the Authority's requirements.

SECTION 3.240: Policy in Relation to Grease Interceptors and Oil Separators

- A. Grease Interceptors shall be required when proposed development will discharge grease-laden waste from food preparation areas. These developments include, but are not limited to, restaurants, hotel kitchens, hospitals, school kitchens, bars, and factory cafeterias. The need for grease interceptors shall be at the discretion of the Authority and as detailed below:
 - 1. Criteria: specific criteria for the proper implementation and function of grease interceptors can be found in the Standard Specifications for the Construction and Acceptance of Sanitary Sewers for the Connection to the Existing Sanitary Sewer Systems.
 - 2. Additional Requirements:
 - a. Review and approval of the proposed interceptor design by the Authority/Engineer is required prior to installation.
 - b. Discharges of fats, oils & grease (FOG) will be subject to the policy on Surcharges for Excess Strength Compatible Pollutants from Nonresidential Establishments, provided in Section 6.40 of these Rules and Regulations. Reference Surcharge Policy for Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) and Fats, Oils & Grease (FOG) discharge standards.
 - 3. Responsibilities and Maintenance:
 - a. Standard Care, cleaning, and routine pumping:

1. Pumping is established at a minimum of once per month. Adjustments to this schedule may be requested after one (1) year of operation. The Owner/operator of the facility is responsible for the arrangement and costs associated with pumping. The Authority shall be notified prior to each pumping. Also, the Owner/operator of the facility shall obtain a pumping receipt after each pumping and provide a copy of that receipt to the Authority for its records within two (2) weeks of pumping.
 2. An annual inspection and pressure washing of the interceptor is recommended.
 3. The interceptor is to be in good repair and operating condition at all times.
 4. The following discharges to the interceptor are prohibited:
 - Continuous discharge of hot water (>90°F)
 - Discharge of concentrated alkaline or acidic solutions
 - Discharge of concentrated detergents
- b. The Authority will conduct routine sampling for BOD and FOG.
- c. The use of best management practices for FOG reduction is required of all kitchen personnel.
- B. Oil Separators shall be required when proposed development will discharge oil-bearing, grease-bearing or flammable wastes. These developments include, but are not limited to, repair garages, car washing facilities with engine or undercarriage cleaning capability and factories. The need for oil separators and requirements for their proper implementation and function shall be at the discretion of the Authority and as detailed below:
1. Criteria: specific criteria for the proper implementation and function of oil separators can be found in the Standard Specifications for the Construction and Acceptance of Sanitary Sewers for the Connection to the Existing Sanitary Sewer Systems.
 2. Additional Requirements:
 - a. Review and approval of the proposed separator design by the Authority/Engineer is required prior to installation.
 - b. Oils, grease and flammable wastes are never to be discharged into the Sewer System, or sinks and drains that are connected to the system.

3. Responsibilities and Maintenance:

a. Standard Care, cleaning, and routine pumping:

1. Pumping is established at a minimum of once per year. Adjustments to this schedule may be requested after one (1) year of operation. The Owner/operator of the facility is responsible for the arrangement and costs associated with pumping. The Authority should be notified prior to each pumping. Also, the Owner/operator of the facility shall obtain a pumping receipt after each pumping and provide a copy of that receipt to the Authority for their records within two (2) weeks of said pumping.
2. The separator is to be in good repair and operating condition at all times.

**ARTICLE IV.
MAINTENANCE OF BUILDING SEWERS AND SERVICE LATERALS**

SECTION 4.10: Customer Responsibility; Exceptions

The maintenance, repair or replacement of a Building Sewer shall be the obligation of the Property Owner.

The maintenance, repair or replacement of the Service Lateral and Pressure Systems shall be the responsibility of the Authority.

If the property Owner denies the Authority access to the Pressure System or fails to execute a Grinder Pump Agreement, the Authority shall not be held responsible for the maintenance or repair of the Pressure System. Furthermore, if it is determined that the occupant(s) of the building are responsible for the malfunction/damage to the Pressure System, the property Owner or occupant(s) shall be held responsible for the cost of the repair or replacement of the Pressure System.

**ARTICLE V.
EXTENSIONS AND ADDITIONS TO THE SEWER SYSTEM**

See “Standard Specifications for the Construction and Acceptance of Sanitary Sewers for the Connection to the Existing Sanitary Sewer Systems” (Separate Cover).

**ARTICLE VI.
RATES, CHARGES, AND BILLING**

SECTION 6.10: Tapping, Connection, and Customer Facilities Fees

For each connection made to the Sewer System, the following fees and charges will be imposed:

- A. For all connections made to the Sewer System (including the existing system, additions to the system, and capped sewers, whether built by the Authority or built by or at the expense of developers), a **Tapping Fee** shall be imposed to reflect the value of service readily available for use and to reflect the capital costs associated with the Authority's wastewater facilities.

This Fee shall also be imposed whenever: (1) a new building or facility is connected to an existing Building Sewer or the internal drainage system of an existing building or facility; (2) an existing building or facility is expanded in such a way that the generated quantity of wastewater is likely to exceed one EDU. Flow estimates shall be made by the Authority based on sound engineering practice.

Said Tapping Fee shall be as shown on the Rate Resolution and shall be due and payable at the time the application for connection is filed. Said Tapping Fee shall be in addition to any and all other fees and charges pursuant to this Article.

If two (2) or more residential units, stores, offices, industrial units, etc., are connected to the Sewer System through a single lateral, or if two (2) or more types of uses are made of the same Improved Property, the Tapping Fee shall be computed as though each residential unit, store, office, industrial unit, etc., were a separate Improved Property or user with a separate connection to the Sewer. In other words, multiple uses of the same building are additive.

- B. For all connections made to the Sewer System (including the existing system, additions to the system, and capped sewers, whether built by the Authority or built by or at the expense of developers), a **Connection Fee** shall be imposed to reimburse the Authority for the costs of facilities installed between the Sewer Main and the property line of the property to receive service.

Said Connection Fee shall be as shown on the Rate Resolution and shall be due and payable at the time the application for connection is filed. Said Connection Fee shall be in addition to any and all other fees and charges pursuant to this Article.

- C. For all connections made to the Sewer System (including the existing system, additions to the system, and capped sewers, whether built by the Authority or built by or at the expense of developers), a **Customer Facilities Fee** shall be imposed to reimburse the Authority for the costs of facilities installed between the property line and the internal plumbing of the property to receive service.

Said Customer Facilities Fee shall be as shown on the Rate Resolution and shall be due and payable at the time the application for connection is filed. Said Connection Fee shall be in addition to any and all other fees and charges pursuant to this Article.

SECTION 6.20: Reservation of Capacity Fee

- A. By specific resolution of the Authority, a Reservation of Capacity Fee will be imposed upon the Owners of property who have requested the Authority to reserve capacity for future development, either directly or by submitting a Planning Module for the Authority's approval.
- B. The Reservation of Capacity Fee shall be in an amount established from time to time by the Authority, as shown on the Rate Resolution, and shall be billed and collected at the same time and in the same manner as the Sewer Rentals or Charges imposed by the Authority for the users of the Sewer System.
- C. Reservation of capacity and payment of the Reservation of Capacity Fee shall be limited to one year. Connection to the sewer system must be completed within sixty (60) days of the end of that year.

SECTION 6.30: Sewer Rental Rates or Charges

Sewer rental rates or charges are imposed upon, and shall be collected from, the Owner of each Improved Property, which shall be connected with the Sewer System. The charge is for use of the Sewer System, whether such use shall be direct or indirect, and shall be payable as provided herein.

Sewer rental rates or charges shall be based upon the Rate Resolution adopted by the Authority and amended from time to time.

- A. All Sewer rental rates shall be computed in accordance with the rates shown on the current Rate Resolution.
- B. The Sewer rate or charge for all Nonresidential Establishments shall be based on the EDU classification listed in this Authority's Rate Resolution.
- C. Sewer rental rates for Residential Establishments using the Unionville Extension portion of the Sewer System and for Residential Establishments using all other portions of the Sewer System are as shown in this Authority's Rate Resolution. Each residential dwelling unit in a double house, in a row of connection houses, or in an apartment shall be billed as a separate entity. Annual sewer rental charges, as shown in the Rate Resolution, shall be payable on a quarterly basis. A "residential" user is defined as an Improved Property having a water service line three-quarter inch (3/4 inch) or smaller.

- D. Sewer rental rates for Nonresidential Establishments using the Sewer System are as shown in this Authority's Rate Resolution. Annual sewer rental charges, as shown in the Rate Resolution, shall be payable on a quarterly basis. A "nonresidential" user is defined as an Improved Property having a water service line larger than three-quarter inch (3/4 inch).
- C. Sewer rental charges shall commence and shall be effective as of the date of connection of each such Improved Property to the Sewer System or sixty days from service or receipt of the Authority's notice to connect each such Improved Property to the Sewer System, whichever event shall occur first, and shall be payable as provided herein, in accordance with the Rate Resolution adopted by this Authority.
- D. Owners of any nonresidential Improved Property shall be responsible for providing this Authority with complete information required to compute the sewer rate or changes to such nonresidential Improved Property including that information required to compute any surcharge. The Authority will consider performing the required analysis to determine any surcharge, if requested. Costs for this analysis shall be billed to the Owner of the nonresidential Improved Property.

If the Owner of any nonresidential Improved Property shall fail to provide this Authority with complete information required to compute the sewer rental rate or charge to such nonresidential Improved Property, this Authority may estimate a reasonable applicable sewer rental rate or charge for such nonresidential Improved Property and such estimated sewer rental rate or charge shall be the actual sewer rental rate or charge payable until the required information is filed; provided, however, that no rebates will be paid by this Authority if the information filed reveal a lower indicated sewer rental rate or charge than that estimated by this Authority.

- E. Where more than one use occurs on an Improved Property, the sum of EDUs for each separate use will apply in establishing sewer rates and charges.
- F. If two or more families, that is groups of Persons, use separate cooking and/or toilet facilities in an Improved Property, the sewer rental rate or charge payable hereunder shall be computed as though each such family was a separate user with a separate connection to a sewer.
- G. Once billing has begun for an Improved Property or rental unit, it continues whether the unit is vacant or occupied.
- H. The Authority reserves the right to inspect vacant mobile home court lots and spaces to determine if the sewer lateral has been adequately plugged to prevent the infiltration of groundwater, melting snow, sticks, stones, vermin, etc. into the collection system within the mobile home court and subsequently to the Sewer System owned and operated by the Authority. For each open lateral discovered by the Authority, an illegal connection inspection fee, as shown on this Authority's Rate Resolution, will be charged to the mobile home court operator to defray the costs of

inspection.

- I. Once service is established to a mobile home in a mobile home court, be it lot or rental unit, the unit will be billed for service whether the unit is vacant or occupied.
- J. A discount at the rate shown on this Authority's current Rate Resolution shall be given if the sewer rental is paid one year in advance.
- K. If an Improved Property Owner pays the rate in advance and during that time the rates are increased, the Improved Property Owner is responsible for that increase.
- J. In the event a municipal sewerage customer requests a change to their EDU billing classification, said customer shall submit to the Authority a request in writing, signed by the municipal sewerage customer requesting the change. Each written request for a change in a customer's EDU billing classification shall provide sufficient facts and credible evidence to support the desired change. Each written request for a change in a customer's EDU billing classification shall be submitted to the Authority within ninety (90) days of the mailing of the bill to which the request pertains. A failure to provide a written request to change a customer's EDU billing classification within this timeframe will result in an acceptance of the billing rate of the disputed bill. The Authority shall determine within sixty (60) days after receiving each written request for a change in EDU billing classification whether the requesting customer is entitled to the requested change. The Authority shall communicate this decision, in writing, to the requesting customer. Each denial of a written EDU billing classification change request shall state the reason for the denial. All decisions rendered regarding requests to change a customer's EDU billing classification, as set forth in these Rules and Regulations, shall be appealable to the Authority Board of Directors.
- K. Every Owner of an Improved Property which is connected to the Sewer System initially shall provide this Authority with and thereafter shall keep this Authority advised of his/her correct mailing address. Failure of any Person to receive bills for sewer rental rates and charges shall not be considered an excuse for nonpayment nor shall failure result in an extension of the period of time during which the net bill shall be payable.
- L. Failure of an Improved Property's Owner to reach this Authority for any reason shall not be considered an excuse for nonpayment nor shall such failure result in an extension of the period of time during which the net bill shall be payable.
- M. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as prohibiting special agreements between this Authority and owners of Improved Properties under conditions and circumstances making special agreements advisable and necessary.
- N. Sewer rental rate bills are required to be mailed directly to the Owner of record and NOT to a tenant. Any agreement of payment between Owner and tenant must be considered a transaction between both and in no way concerns the Authority. The

property Owner is always ultimately responsible for bill payment to the Authority.

N. Time and Method of Payment

1. All bills for sewer and charges shall be rendered on the first days of February, May, August, and November, respectively, in each year, or as soon after the first day of said months as is possible and shall cover a quarterly billing period consisting of the immediately preceding three calendar months. Owners of Improved Property connected to the Sewer System during any calendar quarter shall pay a pro rata sewer rate and charge for service for the balance of the calendar quarter.
2. Sewer rates and other charges shall be due and payable upon the applicable billing dates as provided in these Rules and Regulations. If sewer rates and charges are not paid within the 30-calendar days after each billing date, an additional sum, in the amount shown on this Authority's Rate Resolution, shall be added to such net bill, which net bill, plus such additional sum, shall constitute the gross bill. Payment made on, mailed and postmarked on, or paid in person on or before the last business day, within office hours (8am-4pm), of such thirty (30) calendar day period shall constitute payment within such period. If the end of such thirty (30) calendar day period shall fall on a legal holiday or a Sunday, payment made or mailed and post-marked on the next succeeding business day which is not a legal holiday shall constitute payment within such period. If sewer rental rates and charges are not paid within sixty (60) calendar days after each billing date, an interest rate, in the amount shown on this Authority's Rate Resolution, shall be added thereafter. Interest shall accrue on any delinquent account at the maximum rate permitted by law, which is shown in this Authority's Rate Resolution. Any and all payments received on delinquent accounts shall be applied first to interest and penalty accrued on such account, and then to the oldest outstanding gross bill, including any accumulated late fee and each remaining gross bill thereafter in chronological order.
3. At the end of two (2) quarters, if the municipal bill is still unpaid, a civil complaint will be filed with the District Magistrate for collection or a municipal lien, including but not limited to the costs, interest, constable's/sheriff's fee, and attorney's fee will be the responsibility of the Owner of the Improved Property. If the bill remains unpaid, the Authority will proceed with the sheriff's sale of the Improved Property.
3. Monthly sewer rental rate payments will be accepted. Additionally, the Authority will accept automated payments from a customer's bank account.
4. In the event a payment of sewer rental rates or other charges rendered by this Authority are returned by a banking institution for any reason, a charge for each instance, in the amount shown on this Authority's Rate Resolution, shall

be added on the property owner's account. The Authority may also demand payment of the account by cash, certified check, bank draft, cashier's check, or bank/postal money order. The account, which was paid by the returned check, shall be considered delinquent until full payment is rendered.

SECTION 6.40: Inspection Fee and Inflow Charge

- A. Inflow Inspection: Subject to the following conditions, the Authority shall have the right to enter any customer's home or business for the purpose of inspecting and confirming that the customer is not introducing any water other than domestic sewage into the sewer system. By performing such inspections, it is the intent of the Authority to minimize the costs associated with the illegal introduction of rain, surface, ground, runoff and other waters collecting in the public sewer system.
- B. Notice of Inspection: The Authority shall give each customer, or a customer and a customer's tenants in the event of a known rental property, fifteen (15) days notice of an inflow/infiltration inspection pursuant to these Rules and Regulations. The notice shall include the date and time of the proposed inspection, the purpose of the inspection, and instructions that the customer shall contact the Authority if the customer will be unavailable or if the inspection will not be reasonably possible at the requested time. The Authority shall have the right to reschedule an inspection at a customer's request, provided that the date of inspection must be within thirty (30) days of the date of Notice of Inspection, unless the customer is not reasonably available within such timeframe, in which case the inspection shall be scheduled as soon as reasonably possible.
- C. Inflow Inspection Procedures: At the appointed date and time, representatives of the Authority shall have the right to enter the customer's home and inspect each connection that a customer may have with the sewer system. Should an illegal connection be found, the customer will be assessed an inspection fee, in the amount shown on this Authority's Rate Resolution, for the initial inspection. If it is determined at the initial inspection that the customer has no illegal connections with the sewer system, there shall be no charge for the inspection.
- D. Notice of Violation: If, following an inspection, the Authority determines that a device contributing to unlawful and unauthorized inflow is located on a premises, the Authority shall immediately notify the customer, in writing, of the presence of said device. The customer or Owner shall thereafter have fifteen (15) days from the date of the Notice of Violation from which to disconnect the device. Upon the expiration of the fifteen (15) day period, the Authority shall conduct a follow-up inspection in order to verify compliance with the Notice of Violation. Additional compliance inspections may also be conducted. The customer will be assessed an inspection fee, in the amount shown on this Authority's Rate Resolution, for each inspection in which the Authority finds any violations. If it is determined at any inspection that the customer has no illegal connections with the sewer system, there shall be no charge for the inspection.

- E. Inflow Charge: If, after fifteen (15) days of receiving a Notice of Violation, a follow-up inspection confirms that a customer is continuing to contribute unauthorized inflow into the sewer system, the Authority shall impose an Inflow Charge against the customer in the quarterly amount shown in this Authority's Rate Resolution. The Authority shall alternatively impose the Inflow Charge if, after thirty (30) days of a Notice of Inspection, a customer does not allow the Authority to undertake the inflow inspection as scheduled or make alternative scheduling arrangements in accordance with these Rules and Regulations. The Inflow Charge shall be added to the quarterly billing for each such customer of the system in accordance with the provisions hereof. Said charge shall be used to generate income for the Authority to treat unauthorized inflow being generated from sump pumps and other similar unlawful devices. The Inflow Charge shall be billed and collected on the same schedule as the quarterly sewer rental charge. The Board may increase or decrease the Inflow Charge by appropriate resolution.
- F. Appeal: Any customer or Owner who receives a written Notice of Violation or who receives an Inflow Charge may file a written appeal with the Authority not later than ten (10) days from the date of the Notice of Violation or thirty (30) days from the date of the billing of the Inflow Charge. The filing of an appeal will temporarily stay the requirement that an unlawful and unauthorized inflow causing device be dismantled, but it will not stay the imposition of the Inflow Charge, unless otherwise determined by the Authority. Upon the filing of an appeal, the Authority Board shall grant the right of the appealing customer or Owner to explain at the next Board meeting why such appeal should be granted. Upon granting the appealing customer or Owner the right to be so heard, the Authority Board shall have the right to take any action deemed reasonable under the circumstances.
- G. Injunction: The Authority shall require the elimination of any unlawful and unauthorized inflow causing device. The Authority may pursue an order from the Centre County Court of Common Pleas requiring the elimination of the device if the customer or Owner fails to comply with any Notice of Violation issued by the Authority. The customer or Owner shall be responsible for the Authority's cost and expenses, including its attorney fees, if the Authority is required to pursue legal action in order to accomplish the dismantling or removal of an unlawful and unauthorized inflow causing device. In addition to the above, the Authority, in such a situation, may take all other actions provided for by law. Until the device in question is eliminated, the charge provided for herein shall apply to the account and not be refunded.
- H. Periodic Change: If it is deemed necessary by the Board of the Authority, the Inflow Charge and associated actions by the Authority may be imposed annually or more frequently as the Board of the Authority so determines. The assessment and inspection schedule for all future impositions of this Inflow Charge shall be at the discretion of the Board of the Authority.

- I. Schedule of Initial Assessments: So as to provide ample opportunity for inspection by the Authority, and fee avoidance by the Authority's customers, the initial Inflow Charge will not be charged to all customers of the system simultaneously, but will be introduced in stages at the discretion of the Authority Director.
- J. Notice Requirements: Each Notice provided to a customer in accordance with this section of these Rules and Regulations shall be mailed via first-class U.S. Mail or the equivalent.
- K. Tenant/Owner Responsibilities: The Inflow Charge will be assessed, if necessary, against the registered customer of the Authority. Ultimate responsibility for compliance with these Rules and Regulations shall fall to the Owner as with all Authority charges and fees. The Authority advises all parties in a landlord-tenant relationship to work together to comply with the requirements set forth in these Rules and Regulations.

SECTION 6.50: **Surcharges for Excess Strength Compatible Pollutants from Nonresidential Establishments**

- A. Initial Survey
 - 1. The Authority may make an initial survey of the discharge from nonresidential establishments to determine the applicability of the Surcharge.

The survey shall consist of suitable sampling and analysis of the wastewaters for three consecutive days during a period of normal industrial or commercial operation.
 - 2. Based on the survey results, the Authority may institute the Surcharge and/or require the Owner to provide such tests, equipment, and information as will provide a further basis for determination of the Surcharge.
- B. Frequency of Surcharge Monitoring: After the initial survey the Authority shall determine the frequency of surcharge monitoring; provided, however, subsequent monitoring shall be conducted at least annually for three consecutive days during a period of normal industrial or commercial operation.
- C. Data to Determine Surcharge
 - 1. Where the Authority determines that accurate information exists, the surcharge shall be based on the volume of wastewater used for billing purposes for the appropriate period and the concentration of surchargeable pollutants measured in a composite sample taken over the duration of the discharge or twenty-four (24) hours, whichever is shorter. Where the discharge exceeds twenty-four (24) hours, the composite sample shall form the basis for surcharge billing until such time as the Authority, on its own

initiative or upon request of the Owner, takes another 24-hour composite sample.

2. Where the Authority determines that accurate information does not exist, the surcharge shall be based on the Authority's estimates of wastewater volume and concentration of surchargeable pollutants for the appropriate period as determined by:
 - a. a grab sample, or;
 - b. typical concentrations for similar operations as published in technical literature, or;
 - c. wastewater surveys of discharges from other similar operations.
3. The cost of obtaining all information required to determine the surcharge shall be borne by the Owner. This includes, but is not limited to, the costs of sample collection, flow measurement, and laboratory analysis.
4. In establishing pollutant concentrations for surcharge purposes, all analyses shall be made in accordance with the latest edition of "Standard Methods".

D. Surcharge Limits and Calculation

1. Discharges are subject to surcharge at the rates shown in the Rate Resolution when the concentration of the pollutant exceeds the threshold limit.
2. The rate shall apply to each milligram per liter (mg/l) per million gallons (MG) by which the pollutant concentration exceeds the threshold limit.

SECTION 6.60: Industrial Waste Discharge Permit Fee

Each application for an Industrial Waste Discharge Permit shall be accompanied by a fee. The amount of the Fee shall be as shown on the Rate Resolution.

SECTION 6.70: Review and Inspection Fees

Review and inspection fees associated with the Authority's Engineer, Solicitor, and Inspector, as well as fees associated with the Engineer's Inspector are as set forth in this Authority's Rate Resolution. Review and inspection fees reflect the costs of services provided to the Authority that are required in order for the Authority to provide access to and ensure the proper functioning of the Sewer System.

SECTION 6.80: Fines for Improper Connections/Violations of Authority Rules and Regulations

Whenever it appears that the connection of a property to the Sewer System has been improperly made or whenever it appears there has been a violation of the Rules and Regulations of the Authority, the Authority reserves the right to charge a fine in the amount shown on this Authority's Rate Resolution for each day the property is improperly connected to the Sewer System. The Authority also reserves the right to pursue immediate correction of any violation, including by filing an injunction request with the relevant court or administrative body, in which case all costs and fees associated with the action shall be paid by the Property Owner.

SECTION 6.90: Estimated Charges

Whenever any person discharges or permits to be discharged any material into the Sewer System by any means other than through a connection approved in accordance with these regulations, the Authority reserves the right to estimate the quantity and strength of the material and to make an appropriate charge based on such estimate.

SECTION 6.100: Billing and Collection Procedures

Billing and collection procedures are as set forth in these Rules and Regulations, in accordance with this Authority's current Rate Resolution.

**ARTICLE VII.
NO ABATEMENT OF RENTALS OR CHARGES**

SECTION 7.10: No Abatement Except for Physical Disconnection

There shall be no abatement of Sewer Rentals or Service Charges imposed by this Resolution unless the property for which an abatement has been requested has been physically disconnected from the Sewer System in a manner satisfactory to the Authority.

**ARTICLE VIII.
GENERAL RESTRICTION OF HARMFUL DISCHARGES**

SECTION 8.10: No Connection Allowed and Disconnection for Harmful Discharges

In order to prevent discharges deemed harmful, or to have a deleterious effect upon any portion of the Sewer System, the Authority reserves the right to refuse permission to connect to the Sewer System, to compel discontinuance of use of the Sewer System, or to compel treatment of wastewaters by any person using the Sewer System. Nonresidential establishments are, also, subject to the additional requirements of Article IX.

SECTION 8.20: Reference to Section 9.20

All Persons using the Sewer System shall be subject to the prohibited discharge requirements of Section 9.30.

**ARTICLE IX.
INDUSTRIAL WASTE CONTROL REGULATIONS**

SECTION 9.10: General Provisions

- A. Purpose of Article IX
 - 1. This Article sets forth the uniform requirements for Industrial Users of the Authority's treatment system. It enables the Authority to comply with State and Federal laws and regulations.
 - 2. The provisions of this Article assure continuity of wastewater treatment, help prevent violation of the Authority's NPDES permit, and protect the treatment system from damage.
- B. Objectives of Article IX
 - 1. To prevent the introduction of pollutants into the treatment system which will interfere with the operation of the system or contaminate the resulting sludge;
 - 2. To prevent the introduction of pollutants into the treatment system which will pass through the system, inadequately treated, into receiving waters or the atmosphere;
 - 3. To improve the opportunity to recycle and reclaim wastewaters and sludges from the system.
- C. Scope of Article IX: This Article shall apply to all Industrial Users of the Authority's treatment system, including those who are such by contract or agreement with the Authority and regardless of whether such Industrial Users are located within or outside of the Township.
- D. Administration of Article IX: Except as otherwise provided herein, the Authority shall implement, administer and enforce the provisions of this Article.

SECTION 9.20: Discharge Permits

- A. Permits Required: All Significant Industrial Users proposing to connect to or discharge into the treatment system must obtain a permit before connecting to or discharging into the treatment system. All Significant Industrial Users currently connected to or discharging into the treatment system must apply for a permit within 60 days after notification from the Authority that a permit is required. A separate permit shall be required for each wastewater connection discharging, directly or indirectly, into the sewage system. For each user having multiple connections at a single plant or facility, a single permit shall be required which may set forth specific effluent limitations and conditions for discharge from each separate connection.

- B. Compliance Required: No permit holder shall discharge wastewater in excess of any permit limitations. Any permit holder proposing to modify its discharge in a manner which would violate any permit limitations must apply for an amended permit.
- C. Permit Applications: Persons seeking a permit shall complete and file with the Authority an Industrial Waste Discharge Application accompanied by any applicable fees. The applicant shall submit, in units and terms appropriate for evaluation, information including but not limited to:
1. Name, address, and telephone number of applicant and the name and current mailing address of the Owner of the premises from which the Industrial Wastes are intended to be discharged.
 2. Daily average volume of wastewater to be discharged.
 3. Schedule of all process waste flows produced before and after pretreatment at said premises, including the daily volume, and wastewater constituents and characteristics as determined by representative samples and analyses done by a qualified laboratory acceptable to the Authority and in accordance with "Standard Methods".
 4. Estimated time and duration of discharge within a twenty percent (20%) tolerance.
 5. Estimated hourly peak wastewater flow rates, including daily, monthly, and seasonal variations within a twenty percent (20%) tolerance.
 6. Site and plumbing plans showing all connections to the sewage system and describing any pretreatment facilities.
 7. A description of activities, facilities, and plant processes on the premises, chemical storage areas (including a list of stored chemicals), all process waste materials which are, or could be, discharged, (excluding proprietary information concerning process and products).
 8. Type, classes or products produced.
 9. The average number of employees and normal hours of work.
 10. Any other relevant information the Authority may deem to be necessary to evaluate the permit application.
- D. Processing and Issuance of Permits: The Authority will evaluate all permit applications and may require additional information from the applicant to complete the evaluation. Within sixty (60) days of the receipt of all of the required data, the

Authority will issue a draft permit. The applicant will then be allowed a thirty (30) day comment period. Upon the expiration of the comment period, or upon the expiration of ninety (90) days from the date the data has been received, the Authority shall issue or deny a permit. Issuance of a permit shall not relieve the user from complying with all applicable laws, regulations, and ordinances promulgated by other government authorities, nor shall the issuance of a permit be construed as a representation by the Authority that the discharge permitted therein complies with such laws, regulations, and ordinances. Permits are issued solely to govern the discharge of wastewater into the sewer system and shall not be construed to benefit any third party.

- E. Permit Restrictions: Permits shall be expressly subject to all provisions of the Rules and Regulations, user charges, and fees of the Authority. By way of example, permit restrictions may include, but shall not be limited to, the following:
1. Limits on the average and maximum wastewater constituents and characteristics;
 2. Limits on average and maximum rate and time of discharge, or requirements for flow regulations and equalization;
 3. Requirements for installation and maintenance of inspection, flow metering, and sampling facilities.
 4. Specifications for monitoring programs which may include sampling locations, frequency and method of sampling, flow metering, number, types and standards for tests and reporting schedule;
 5. Requirements for submission of periodic discharge reports which may include information concerning volume, rate of flow, constituent concentrations, peak flow rates, hours of operation, number of employees, or other information;
 6. Requirements for maintaining and retaining plant records relating to wastewater discharge as specified by the Authority and affording Authority personnel access thereto;
 7. Requirements for notification of the Authority of any new discharge of wastes or any substantial change in the volume or character of the wastewater constituents being introduced into the treatment system;
 8. Requirements for notification of Slug Loading;
 9. Requirements for pretreatment;
 10. Prohibition of discharge of certain wastewater constituents;

11. Requirements for the protection of the sewage system;
 12. Other conditions as deemed appropriate by the Authority to insure compliance with all applicable local, State, and Federal regulations.
- F. Duration of Permits: Permits shall be issued for a specified time period, not to exceed five (5) years. A permit may be issued for a period less than a year or may be stated to expire on a specific date. The user shall apply for permit reissuance a minimum of 60 days prior to the expiration of the user's existing permit.
- G. Modification of Permits: The terms and conditions of any permit are subject to change by the Authority during the life of the permit to accommodate changed conditions including but not limited to: changes in local, State, and Federal laws or regulations, or in event of variation in reported data as provided in Section 9.40 (C) (4). Permit holders shall be informed of any proposed changes in their respective permits at least sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of change, and shall be allowed a comment period relating to any of the proposed changes in their permits within the first thirty (30) days after issuance of such proposed changes by the Authority. The Authority shall allow a user a reasonable period of time to comply with any changes in the permit required by the Authority, unless otherwise required by emergency or governmental regulations.
- Nothing in this paragraph is intended to preclude the Authority from taking immediate action to temporarily modify a permit when there is imminent risk of damage to the treatment system or injury to the health and welfare of the public or to the environment.
- H. Transfer of Permit: Permits are issued to a specific user for a specific operation. A wastewater discharge permit shall not be assigned or transferred or sold to a new Owner, new user, different premises, or a new or changed operation without the written approval of the Authority.

SECTION 9.30: Discharge Requirements

- A. National Pretreatment Standards
1. Prohibited Wastewater Discharges
 - a. General Prohibitions: No user shall discharge any wastewater which will pass through or interfere with the operation or performance of the treatment system.
 - b. Specific Prohibitions: No user shall discharge any of the following pollutants into the treatment system:

1. Any flammable liquids, solids or gases, or any materials which interact with other substances to cause a fire or explosion. Prohibited materials include, but are not limited to: gasoline, kerosene, naphtha, benzene, toluene, xylene, ethers, alcohols, ketones, aldehydes, peroxides, chlorates, perchlorates, bromates, carbides, hydrides, and sulfides;
2. Any solid or viscous substance that may cause obstruction to flow in the sewer system or be detrimental to the treatment system operation. These substances include, but are not limited to: ashes, cinders, sand, mud, straw, shavings, metal, glass, feathers, tar, wood, paunch manure, hair, paper products other than toilet tissue, plastics, rags;
3. Any wastewater containing more than 100 ppm by weight of FOG;
4. Any wastewater containing any garbage that has not been ground by a household type or other suitable garbage grinder;
5. Any pollutant that will cause or contribute to corrosive damage or hazard to the structure, equipment or personnel of the treatment system; in no case shall discharges have a pH less than 6.0 s.u. or higher than 9.0 s.u.;
6. Any wastewater containing toxic pollutants in sufficient quantity, either singly or by interaction with other pollutants, to injure or interfere with any wastewater treatment process, to constitute a hazard to humans or animals, to create a toxic effect in the receiving waters of the treatment system, or to exceed the limitations set forth in a Federal Categorical Pretreatment Standard. A toxic pollutant shall include but not be limited to any pollutant identified pursuant to Section 307 (a) of the Act;
7. Any noxious or malodorous liquids, gases, or solids which either singly or by interaction with other wastes are sufficient to create a public nuisance or hazard to life or are sufficient to prevent entry into the sewers for maintenance and repair;
8. Any pollutant that will cause the effluent or any other product of the treatment system such as residues, sludges, or scums, to be unsuitable for reclamation and reuse or to interfere with the reclamation process. In no case shall a substance discharged to the treatment system cause the sludge produced to be in non-compliance with disposal criteria, guidelines, or

regulations developed under Section 405 of the Act; or any criteria, guidelines or regulations affecting sludge use or disposal developed pursuant to the Solid Waste Disposal Act, the Clean Air Act, the Toxic Substances Control Act, or State Criteria applicable to the sludge management method being used;

9. Any wastewater with objectionable color not removed in the treatment process, such as, but not limited to, dye wastes and vegetable tanning solutions;
10. Any heated wastewater that exceeds a temperature of 65 degrees C (150 degrees F) or that is sufficient enough to increase the temperature of the treatment system's influent above 40 degrees C (104 degrees F);
11. Any pollutant, including oxygen demanding pollutants (BOD5, COD, etc.) released in a discharge of such volume or strength as to result in interference with the treatment system;
12. Any wastewater containing pollutants of such character or quantity that special and unusual attention is required for their handling;
13. Any nonbiodegradable oils of mineral or petroleum origin;
14. Any radioactive wastes or isotopes of such half-life or concentration that causes violation of local, State or Federal regulations;
15. Any waters not intended for treatment by the treatment system including, but not limited to storm water, surface water, groundwater, roof runoff, or subsurface drainage.

2. Categorical Standards

- a. The provisions of 40 CFR Section 403.6 and any categorical pretreatment standards promulgated by the Environmental Protection Agency for a particular industrial subcategory shall be incorporated herein by reference.
- b. Industries subject to Federal Categorical Pretreatment Standards shall comply with all of the requirements thereof including the reporting requirements of 40 CFR Section 403.12.

B. Authority Standards

1. The Authority reserves the right to establish more stringent standards or limitations on discharges to the treatment system if deemed necessary to comply with the objectives of this Article of the Rules and Regulations.
2. Nothing in this Article shall be construed as preventing any special agreement between the Authority and any user of the treatment system which would allow compatible pollutants of unusual strength or character to be accepted into the system and specially treated. This agreement, however, shall not waive any of the National Pretreatment Standards unless such a waiver is granted by mechanisms established under the Pretreatment Regulations.

C. Accidental Discharges and Slug Loadings

1. Each user shall provide protection from accidental discharges and Slug Loadings. Facilities to prevent accidental discharges and Slug Loadings shall be provided and maintained at the user's own expense. In the case of an accidental discharge or Slug Loading, the user shall notify the Authority immediately by telephone. The notification shall include the location of the discharge, type, volume, and concentrations of the waste, and the corrective actions taken.
2. Within five (5) days following an accidental discharge or Slug Loading the user shall submit to the Authority a detailed written report describing the cause of the discharge and the measures which will be taken by the user to prevent similar occurrences.
3. Such notifications outlined above shall not relieve the user from exposure to enforcement action as provided herein or from applicable surcharges.
4. If an accidental discharge or Slug Loading causes a situation which results in extra expense for the Authority, the responsible user shall reimburse the Authority for such extra expense. Such situations include, but are not limited to: causing an obstruction or damage to any part of the treatment system, causing a violation of an applicable government law or regulation which results in a fine imposed on the Authority, and any other damage to persons, property, animals, fish, or the receiving waters of the treatment system.

D. Dilution Restriction: No user shall ever increase the use of process water or, in any way, attempt to dilute a discharge as a partial or complete substitute for adequate treatment to achieve compliance with the limitations contained in the Federal Categorical Pretreatment Standards, or with any other pollutant-specific limitation developed by the State or Authority unless expressly authorized to do so in writing.

E. Pretreatment: Users shall provide necessary wastewater treatment as required to

comply with this Resolution and shall achieve compliance with all Federal Categorical Pretreatment Standards within the time limitations as specified by the Federal Pretreatment Regulations. Any facilities required to pretreat wastewater to a level acceptable to the Authority shall be provided, operated, and maintained at the user's expense. Detailed plans showing the pretreatment facilities and operating procedure shall be submitted to the Authority for review. The Authority shall indicate its acceptance in writing before construction of the facility may begin. The review of such plans and operating procedures will in no way relieve the user from the responsibility of modifying the facility as necessary to produce an effluent acceptable to the Authority under the provisions of this resolution. Any subsequent changes in the pretreatment facilities or method of operation which may result in material changes in the characteristics or volume of wastewater discharged to the treatment system shall be reported to the Authority which shall indicate its acceptance thereof in writing prior to the user's initiation of the changes.

SECTION 9.40: Reporting and Monitoring

- A. Users Subject to Categorical Standards: Baseline reports, compliance schedules, reports on compliance with categorical standard deadlines, and periodic reports on continued compliance shall be submitted to the Authority in accordance with and as required by 40 CFR Section 403.12. The Authority reserves the right to require additional monitoring and reporting beyond that required by the Federal Regulation.
- B. Users Not Subject to Categorical Standards: Users may be required to periodically submit certain information to the Authority. Measurements may be required, including but not limited to: flow rates, flow volumes, and concentrations of particular constituents of the wastewater. These measurements and reports thereof shall be made as frequently as necessary to comply with the terms and conditions of the user's permit or as required by the Authority.
- C. General Requirements
 - 1. All wastewater analyses shall be conducted in accordance with appropriate procedures contained in "Standard Methods". If no appropriate procedure is contained therein, a standard procedure acceptable to the Authority will be provided by the Authority and shall be used to measure the wastewater constituent concentrations.
 - 2. The Authority may require any user to construct and maintain a wastewater monitoring facility of a design or configuration acceptable to the Authority and sufficient to accomplish monitoring requirements.
 - 3. The sampling, analysis, and flow measurement procedures, equipment, data and test results shall be subject at any reasonable time to inspection by the Authority. Flow measurement systems and all appropriate equipment shall be regularly calibrated in accordance with the manufacturer's

recommendations.

4. Should measurements or other investigations indicate that the user has discharged wastewater, the constituents of which are significantly different in quantity and quality from those stated, the Authority shall notify the user and require that the user furnish all information in his possession relevant to the apparent variance.
 5. Adequate identification shall be provided for all of the Authority's inspectors and other authorized personnel, and these persons shall identify themselves when entering any property for inspection purposes.
 6. Authorized personnel of the Authority shall be provided access to all facilities directly or indirectly connected to the Authority's sewer system at all reasonable times, and whenever occasioned by emergency conditions.
- D. **Surcharge Monitoring:** Monitoring of wastewater for purposes of establishing a surcharge for excess strength compatible pollutants (eg. BOD5) shall be in accord with Section 6.50 of the Rules and Regulations. The frequency of surcharge monitoring shall be stated in the user's permit.

SECTION 9.50: Violations and Enforcement

- A. **Hazardous Discharges Necessitating an Emergency Response, Including Temporary Termination of Service**
1. The wastewater treatment service and/or a Permit may be temporarily terminated when in the opinion of the Authority or Plant Manager it is necessary to stop an actual or threatened discharge which presents or may present an imminent and substantial danger to the health or welfare of persons or to the environment, or which causes or has the potential of causing interference with the treatment system or violation of any condition of the Authority's NPDES permit.
 2. If, in the opinion of the Authority or Plant Manager, the exigencies of the situation require immediate action, the Authority shall take such steps as deemed necessary, including immediate severance of the sewer connection, without giving the user prior notice. Where practicable, however, the Authority shall make reasonable attempts to promptly notify the user, in person or by telephone, of the taking of any action. Further, within 48 hours of any temporary termination of service or other action, the Authority shall either place in the mail or personally deliver to the user a notice of the termination or other action taken.
 3. Any user notified of a suspension of the wastewater treatment service and/or their Permit shall immediately stop or eliminate contribution to the treatment

system. In the event of a failure of the user to comply voluntarily with the suspension order, the Authority shall take steps as deemed necessary, including immediate severance of the sewer connection, to prevent or minimize damage to the treatment system or endangerment to any individuals.

4. Suspension shall continue until such time as, in the opinion of the Authority or Plant Manager, suspension is no longer necessary under (A) (1).
5. A detailed written report describing the causes of the hazardous discharge and the measures taken to prevent any future occurrence shall be submitted by the user to the Authority within five (5) days of the date of occurrence.
6. Any user aggrieved by a suspension under (A) (1) shall have the right to an informal conference with the person who ordered the suspension. Such conference shall be held within 48 hours of receipt of a written request therefore.
7. The user shall be afforded all of the rights of a party under the Local Agency Law, 2 Pa. C.S.A. 551-555, 751-754.

B. Other Violations

1. The user shall submit to the Authority a detailed report concerning any discharge which does not comply with the requirements of this Article or the user's permit. Such report shall be made within ten (10) days of the discharge and shall include information on the cause of the discharge and corrective measures to be taken to prevent future occurrence.
2. Whenever the Authority finds that any user has violated or is violating his permit, or any prohibition, limitation or requirement contained herein, the Authority shall issue to such user a written notice stating the nature of the violation. Upon receipt of notification the user shall prepare a detailed report on the violation and a plan for the satisfactory correction thereof. The report and plan shall be submitted to the Authority within thirty (30) days of the receipt of the notice.

C. Remedies for Violations

1. Any user who violates the requirements of this Article, his permit standards or other applicable State or Federal laws or regulations is subject to having their service and/or permit suspended or revoked.
2. The user shall be given at least ten (10) days written notice of the suspension or revocation. The notice shall be either personally served upon the user or sent to them by certified mail.

3. The user shall be afforded all of the rights of a party under the Local Agency Law, 2 Pa. C.S.A. 551-555, 751-754.
4. Legal Action
 - a. The Authority Solicitor may commence an action for appropriate legal and/or equitable relief in a court of competent jurisdiction against any user who violates these regulations, his permit restrictions, or other applicable State and Federal laws or regulations.
 - b. The Authority may report to the Department of Environmental Protection any violation of these regulations.
- D. Public Notification of Violators: Pursuant to the requirements of 40 CFR Section 403.8, the Authority shall annually publish a newspaper notification of users who have been significant violators of the National Pretreatment Standards or other requirements.

SECTION 9.60: Miscellaneous Provisions

- A. Confidential Information: Information and data concerning a user obtained from reports, questionnaires, monitoring programs and from inspections shall be available to the public or other governmental agency without restriction unless the user specifically requests and is able to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Authority that the release of such information would divulge information, processes or methods of production entitled to protection as trade secrets of the user. Wastewater constituents and characteristics will not be recognized as confidential information. In no event, shall the Authority disclose any claimed confidential information to any person without prior notice in writing to the user and without providing the user with the opportunity to protect such confidential information, including their right to seek judicial relief.
- B. Fees
 1. The Authority intends to recover the cost of administering this Article and any associated requirements from the user of the treatment system to whom the requirements of this Article apply.
 2. The Authority may adopt charges and fees which may include but are not limited to:
 - a. Fees for reimbursement of costs for setting up and administering the Authority's industrial waste control program;
 - b. Fees for monitoring, inspections, and surveillance procedures;

- c. Fees for reviewing procedures or facilities designed to prevent accidental discharges or Slug Loadings;
- d. Fees for permit applications;
- e. Other fees as the Authority may deem necessary to carry out the requirements contained herein.

**ARTICLE X
INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT**

SECTION 10.10: Inspection Rights

For the purpose of enforcing the provisions of these Rules and Regulations of the Authority with respect to the operation of the Sewer System and for the purpose of advancing and protecting the public health, the Authority reserves the right to come upon or enter the premises of any person, firm, or corporation connected to the system for the purpose of inspecting the sewer facilities located thereon and for the purpose of determining compliance with the requirements of the Authority. In the event that the Authority's duly authorized representatives are denied access to any customer's premises for these purposes, the Authority reserves the right to discontinue sewer service to such premises until inspection is permitted and compliance with the requirements of the Authority has been determined.

SECTION 10.20: Discontinuance of Service

Notwithstanding any other provisions or implications of these Rules and Regulations to the contrary, the Authority reserves the right at all times to refuse to render or to continue to render sewer service to any property or through any lines whenever it appears that the connection of the property to the Sewer System has been improperly made or whenever it appears there has been a violation of the Rules and Regulations of the Authority with respect to the installation or use of the sewage disposal facilities. In the event that the Authority shall elect to discontinue service to any user connected to its lines, except as provided in the Industrial Waste Control Regulation for Significant Users document, the Authority shall give ten (10) days written notice by Certified Mail to the Owner prior to disconnecting the property from the sewer system.

SECTION 10.30: Legal Remedies

Notwithstanding any other provisions or implications of these Rules and Regulations to the contrary, the Authority reserves the right at all times to take appropriate action, up to and including formal legal action, to address or correct any violation of the Rules and Regulations of the Authority. In the event that the Authority successfully pursues formal legal action, the Property Owner shall reimburse the Authority for all costs and expenses, including legal fees, incurred as a result of the action or proceeding.

**ARTICLE XI
RATE RESOLUTION**

The Authority's Rate Resolution is incorporated into these Rules and Regulation by reference. The effective date of the Rate Resolution is set on the Rate Resolution itself and may differ from the effective date of these Rules and Regulations.

**ARTICLE XII
SEVERABILITY**

If any Article or provision of these Rules and Regulations are found invalid by any court or other jurisdiction, the remaining Articles or provisions shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect.

**ARTICLE XIII
REPEAL PROVISIONS**

All Resolutions of the Authority which are inconsistent with these Rules and Regulations are hereby repealed.

MID-CENTRE COUNTY AUTHORITY

Secretary