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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Board of Public Utilities
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WATER

IN THE MATTER OF THE RESOLUTION OF)	ORDER
TOWNSHIP OF CHESTER REQUESTING WATER)	
SERVICE FROM THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP)	
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY TO SERVE A)	
PORTION OF THE TOWNSHIP)	DOCKET NO. WO13070617

Party of Record:

Carol Isemann, Municipal Clerk/Administrator of Chester Township

BY THE BOARD:

On July 3, 2013, the Township of Chester ("Chester") filed a Petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") stating that on June 5, 2013, Chester had adopted Resolution R-2013-62 requesting that the Washington Township Municipal Utilities Authority ("WTMUA") furnish potable water at retail to portions of Chester.

Chester is requesting that said resolution be approved by the Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:14B-20(6) which states, in part, with regard to a municipal utility authority "...that no water shall be sold at retail in any municipality without the district unless the governing body of such municipality shall have adopted a resolution requesting the municipal authority to sell water at retail in such municipality, and the board of public utility commissioners shall have approved such resolution as necessary and proper for the public convenience."

The request is being made due to the fact that Chester has no public water facilities to furnish water to certain areas in the Township. The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") has determined that, as the result of pollution emanating from the Combe Fill South Superfund Site, private wells for a number of businesses and residences in Chester are currently contaminated or are at risk of contamination and are in need of a public water supply. The EPA and Chester have requested the WTMUA to extend its public water system into Chester to provide potable water. The WTMUA is in close proximity to the additional customers to be served in Chester. Chester will seal and abandon all private water wells as a result of or the risk of contamination. The additional customers to be served by the WTMUA will be charged the same rates as current customers. WTMUA currently serves approximately 2,586

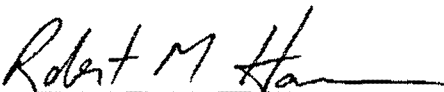
customers within Washington Township and will provide potable water to approximately 73 customers in Chester.

Based on the foregoing and a thorough review of the record to this proceeding, the Board **HEREBY FINDS** that the extension of WTMUA to serve certain residents of Chester is necessary and proper for the public convenience. Therefore, the Board **HEREBY APPROVES** Resolution R-2013-62 dated June 5, 2013 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:14B-20(6).

This Order shall be effective on August 30, 2013.

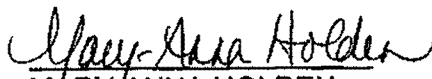
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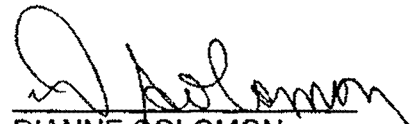
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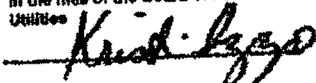

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