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LOAN AGREEMENT

THIS WATER POLLUTION CONTROL REVOLVING FUND LOAN AGREEMENT (the "Loan Agreement"), made and entered into in several counterparts, by and among the WEST VIRGINIA WATER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, a governmental instrumentality and body corporate of the State of West Virginia (the "Authority"), the WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (the "DEP"), and the local government designated below (the "Local Government").

(Local Government)

$\underline{W} \underline{I} \underline{T} \underline{N} \underline{E} \underline{S} \underline{E} \underline{T} \underline{H}$:

WHEREAS, the United States Congress under Title VI of the federal Clean Water Act, as amended (the "Clean Water Act"), has provided for capitalization grants to be awarded to states for the express purpose of establishing and maintaining state water pollution control revolving funds for the planning, design, construction, acquisition and/or improvement of wastewater treatment facilities;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 22C, Article 2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended (the "Act"), the State of West Virginia (the "State") has established a state water pollution control revolving fund program (the "Program") to direct the distribution of loans to particular local governments pursuant to the Clean Water Act;

WHEREAS, under the Act the DEP is designated the instrumentality to enter into capitalization agreements with the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") to accept capitalization grant awards (U.S. General Services Administration; <u>Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance</u>, 32nd Edition § 66.458 (1998)) and DEP has been awarded capitalization grants to partially fund the Program;

WHEREAS, under the Act and under the direction of DEP, the Authority has established a permanent perpetual fund known as the "West Virginia Water Pollution Control revolving Fund" (hereinafter the "Fund");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Authority and DEP are empowered to make loans from the Fund to local governments for the acquisition or construction of wastewater treatment projects by such local governments, all subject to such provisions and limitations as are contained in the Clean Water Act and the Act;

WHEREAS, the Local Government constitutes a local government as defined by the Act;

WHEREAS, the Local Government is included on the DEP State Project Priority List and the Intended Use Plan and has met DEP's pre-application requirements for the Program;

WHEREAS, the Local Government is authorized and empowered by the statutes of the State to acquire, construct, improve, operate and maintain a wastewater treatment project and to finance the cost of acquisition and construction of the same by borrowing money to be evidenced by revenue bonds issued by the Local Government;

WHEREAS, the Local Government intends to construct, is constructing or has constructed such a wastewater treatment project at the location and as more particularly described and set forth in the Application, as hereinafter defined (the "Project");

WHEREAS, the Local Government has completed and filed with the Authority and DEP an Application for a Loan with attachments and exhibits and an Amended Application for a Loan also with attachments and exhibits (together, as further revised and supplemented, the "Application"), which Application is incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, having reviewed the Application and the Fund having available sufficient funds therefor, the Authority and DEP are willing to lend the Local Government the amount set forth on Schedule X attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, through the purchase of revenue bonds of the Local Government with moneys held in the Fund, subject to the Local Government's satisfaction of certain legal and other requirements of the Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual agreements hereinafter contained, the Local Government, DEP and the Authority hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

Definitions

1.1 Except where the context clearly indicates otherwise, the terms "Authority," "cost," "fund," "local government," and "project" have the definitions and meanings ascribed to them in the Act or in the SRF Regulations.

1.2 "Consulting Engineers" means the professional engineer, licensed by the State, designated in the Application and any successor thereto.

1.3 "Loan" means the loan to be made by the Authority and DEP to the Local Government through the purchase of Local Bonds, as hereinafter defined, pursuant to this Loan Agreement.

1.4 "Local Act" means the official action of the Local Government required by Section 4.1 hereof, authorizing the Local Bonds.

1.5 "Local Bonds" means the revenue bonds to be issued by the Local Government pursuant to the provisions of the Local Statute, as hereinafter defined, to evidence the Loan and to be purchased by the Authority with money held in the Fund, all in accordance with the provisions of this Loan Agreement.

1.6 "Local Statute" means the specific provisions of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, pursuant to which the Local Bonds are issued.

1.7 "Operating Expenses" means the reasonable, proper and necessary costs of operation and maintenance of the System, as hereinafter defined, as should normally and regularly be included as such under generally accepted accounting principles.

1.8 "Program" means the wastewater treatment facility acquisition, construction and improvement program coordinated through the capitalization grants program established under the Clean Water Act and administered by DEP.

1.9 "Project" means the wastewater treatment facility project hereinabove referred to, to be constructed or being constructed by the Local Government in whole or in part with the net proceeds of the Local Bonds or being or having been constructed by the Local Government in whole or in part with the proceeds of bond anticipation notes or other interim financing, which is to be paid in whole or in part with the net proceeds of the Local Bonds.

1.10 "SRF Regulations" means the regulations set forth in Title 47, Series

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31 of the West Virginia Code of State Regulations.

1.11 "System" means the wastewater treatment facility owned by the Local Government, of which the Project constitutes all or to which the Project constitutes an improvement, and any improvements thereto hereafter constructed or acquired from any sources whatsoever.

1.12 Additional terms and phrases are defined in this Loan Agreement as they are used.

ARTICLE II

The Project and the System

2.1 The Project shall generally consist of the construction and acquisition of the facilities described in the Application, to be, being or having been constructed in accordance with plans, specifications and designs prepared for the Local Government by the Consulting Engineers, the DEP and Authority having found, to the extent applicable, that the Project is consistent with the applicable provisions of the Program.

2.2 Subject to the terms, conditions and provisions of this Loan Agreement and the Local Act, the Local Government has acquired, or shall do all things necessary to acquire, the proposed site of the Project and shall do, is doing or has done all things necessary to construct the Project in accordance with the plans, specifications and designs prepared for the Local Government by the Consulting Engineers.

2.3 All real estate and interests in real estate and all personal property constituting the Project and the Project site heretofore or hereafter acquired shall at all times be and remain the property of the Local Government, subject to any mortgage lien or other security interest as is provided for in the Local Statute unless a sale or transfer of all or a portion of said property is approved by DEP and the Authority.

2.4 The Local Government agrees that the Authority and DEP and their respective duly authorized agents shall have the right at all reasonable times to enter upon the Project site and Project facilities and to examine and inspect the same. The Local Government further agrees that the Authority and DEP and their respective duly authorized agents shall, prior to, during and after completion of construction and commencement of operation of the Project, have such rights of access to the System site and System facilities as may be reasonably necessary to accomplish all of the powers and rights of the Authority and DEP with respect to the System pursuant to the pertinent provisions of the Act.

2.5 The Local Government shall keep complete and accurate records of the cost of acquiring the Project site and the costs of constructing, acquiring and installing the Project. The Local Government shall permit the Authority and DEP, acting by and through their Directors or duly authorized agents and representatives, to inspect all books, documents, papers and records relating to the Project and the System at any and all reasonable times for the purpose of audit and examination, and the Local Government shall submit to the Authority and DEP such documents and information as it may reasonably require in connection with the construction, acquisition and installation of the Project, the operation and maintenance of the System and the administration of the Loan or of any State and federal grants or other sources of financing for the Project.

2.6 The Local Government agrees that it will permit the Authority and DEP and their respective agents to have access to the records of the Local Government pertaining to the operation and maintenance of the System at any reasonable time following completion of construction of the Project and commencement of operation thereof or if the Project is an improvement to an existing system at any reasonable time following commencement of construction.

2.7 The Local Government shall require that each construction contractor furnish a performance bond and a payment bond, each in an amount at least equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price of the portion of the Project covered by the particular contract as security for the faithful performance of such contract and shall verify or have verified such bonds prior to commencement of construction.

2.8 The Local Government shall require that each of its contractors and all subcontractors maintain, during the life of the construction contract, workers' compensation coverage, public liability insurance, property damage insurance and vehicle liability insurance in amounts and on terms satisfactory to the Authority and DEP and shall verify or have verified such insurance prior to commencement of construction. Until the Project facilities are completed and accepted by the Local Government, the Local Government or (at the option of the Local Government) the contractor shall maintain builder's risk insurance (fire and extended coverage) on a one hundred percent (100%) basis (completed value form) on the insurable portion of the Project, such insurance to be made payable to the order of the Authority, the Local Government, the prime contractor and all subcontractors, as their interests may appear. If facilities of the System which are detrimentally affected by flooding are or will be located in designated special flood or mudslide-prone areas and if flood insurance is available at a reasonable cost, a flood insurance policy must be obtained by the Local Government on or before the Date of Loan Closing, as hereinafter defined, and maintained so long as any of the Local Bonds are outstanding. Prior to commencing operation of the Project, the Local Government must also obtain, and maintain so long as any of the Local Bonds are outstanding, business interruption insurance if available at a reasonable cost.

2.9 The Local Government shall provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering services satisfactory to the Authority and DEP covering the supervision and inspection of the development and construction of the Project and bearing the responsibility of assuring that construction conforms to the plans, specifications and designs prepared by the Consulting Engineers, which have been approved by all necessary governmental bodies. Such engineer shall certify to the Authority, DEP and the Local Government at the completion of construction that construction is in accordance with the approved plans, specifications and designs, or amendments thereto, approved by all necessary governmental bodies. The Local Government shall require the Consulting Engineers to submit Recipient As-Built Plans, as defined in the SRF Regulations, to it within 60 days of the completion of the Project. The Local Government shall notify DEP in writing of such receipt. The Local Government shall submit a Performance Certificate, the form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, and being incorporated herein by reference, to DEP within 60 days of the end of the first year after the Project is completed.

2.10 The Local Government shall require the Consulting Engineers to submit the final Operation and Maintenance Manual, as defined in the SRF Regulations, to DEP when the Project is 90% completed. The Local Government shall at all times provide operation and maintenance of the System in compliance with any and all State and federal standards. The Local Government shall employ qualified operating personnel properly certified by the State before the Project is 50% complete and shall retain such a certified operator(s) to operate the System during the entire term of this Loan Agreement. The Local Government shall notify DEP in writing of the certified operator employed at the 50% completion stage.

2.11 The Local Government hereby covenants and agrees to comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations issued by the Authority, DEP or other State, federal or local bodies in regard to the construction of the Project and operation, maintenance and use of the System.

2.12 The Local Government, commencing on the date contracts are executed for the acquisition or construction of the Project and for two years following the completion of acquisition or construction of the Project, shall each month complete a Monthly Financial Report, the form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by reference, and forward a copy by the 10th of each month to DEP and the Authority.

2.13 The Local Government, during construction of the Project, shall complete Payment Requisition Forms, the form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit C and incorporated herein by reference, and forward such forms to DEP in compliance with the Local Government's construction schedule.

ARTICLE III

Conditions to Loan; Issuance of Local Bonds

3.1 The agreement of the Authority and DEP to make the Loan is subject to the Local Government's fulfillment, to the satisfaction of the Authority and DEP, of each and all of those certain conditions precedent on or before the delivery date for the Local Bonds, which shall be the date established pursuant to Section 3.4 hereof. Said conditions precedent are as follows:

(a) The Local Government shall have delivered to the Authority and DEP a report listing the specific purposes for which the proceeds of the Loan will be expended and the procedures as to the disbursement of loan proceeds, including an estimated monthly draw schedule;

(b) The Local Government shall have performed and satisfied all of the terms and conditions to be performed and satisfied by it in this Loan Agreement;

(c) The Local Government shall have authorized the issuance of and delivery to the Authority of the Local Bonds described in this Article III and in Article IV hereof;

(d) The Local Government shall either have received bids or entered into contracts for the construction of the Project, which are in an amount and otherwise compatible with the plan of financing described in the Application; provided that, if the Loan will refund an interim construction financing, the Local Government must either be constructing or have constructed its Project for a cost and as otherwise compatible with the plan of financing described in the Application; and, in either case, the Authority and DEP shall have received a certificate of the Consulting Engineers to such effect, the form of which certificate is attached hereto as Exhibit D;

(e) The Local Government shall have obtained all permits required by the laws of the State and the federal government necessary for the construction of the Project, and the Authority and DEP shall have received a certificate of the Consulting Engineers to such effect;

(f) The Local Government shall have obtained all requisite orders of and approvals from the Public Service Commission of West Virginia (the "PSC") and the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council necessary for the construction of the Project and operation of the System, with all requisite appeal periods having expired without successful appeal and the Authority and DEP shall have received an opinion of counsel to the Local Government, which may be local counsel to the Local Government, bond counsel or special PSC counsel but must be satisfactory to the Authority and DEP, to such effect;

(g) The Local Government shall have obtained any and all approvals for the issuance of the Local Bonds required by State law, and the Authority and DEP shall have received an opinion of counsel to the Local Government, which may be local counsel to the Local Government, bond counsel or special PSC counsel but must be satisfactory to the Authority and DEP, to such effect;

(h) The Local Government shall have obtained any and all approvals of rates and charges required by State law and shall have taken any other action required to establish and impose such rates and charges (imposition of such rates and charges is not, however, required to be effective until completion of construction of the Project), with all requisite appeal periods having expired without successful appeal, and the Authority and DEP shall have received an opinion of counsel to the Local Government, which may be local counsel to the Local Government, bond counsel or special PSC counsel but must be satisfactory to the Authority and DEP, to such effect;

(i) Such rates and charges for the System shall be sufficient to comply with the provisions of Subsections 4.1(a) and 4.1(b)(ii) hereof, and the Authority and DEP shall have received a certificate of the accountant for the Local Government, or such other person or firm experienced in the finances of local governments and satisfactory to the Authority and DEP, to such effect; and

(j) The net proceeds of the Local Bonds, together with all moneys on deposit or to be simultaneously deposited (or, with respect to proceeds of grant anticipation notes or other indebtedness for which a binding purchase contract has been entered, to be deposited on a date certain) and irrevocably pledged thereto and the proceeds of grants irrevocably committed therefor, shall be sufficient to pay the costs of construction and acquisition of the Project as set forth in the Application, and the Authority and DEP shall have received a certificate of the Consulting Engineers, or such other person or firm experienced in the financing of wastewater treatment projects and satisfactory to the Authority and DEP, to such effect, such certificate to be in form and substance satisfactory to the Authority and DEP, and evidence satisfactory to the Authority and DEP of such irrevocably committed grants.

3.2 Subject to the terms and provisions of this Loan Agreement, the rules and regulations promulgated by the Authority and DEP, including the SRF Regulations, or any other appropriate State agency and any applicable rules, regulations and procedures promulgated from time to time by the federal government, it is hereby agreed that the Authority shall make the Loan to the Local Government and the Local Government shall accept the Loan from the Authority, and in furtherance thereof it is agreed that the Local Government shall sell to the Authority and the Authority shall make the Loan by purchasing the Local Bonds in the principal amount and at the price set forth in Schedule X hereto. The Local Bonds shall have such further terms and provisions as described in Article IV hereof.

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3.3 The Loan shall be secured and shall be repaid in the manner hereinafter provided in this Loan Agreement.

3.4 The Local Bonds shall be delivered to the Authority, at the offices of the Authority, on a date designated by the Local Government by written notice to the Authority, which written notice shall be given not less than ten (10) business days prior to the date designated; provided, however, that if the Authority is unable to accept delivery on the date designated, the Local Bonds shall be delivered to the Authority on a date as close as possible to the designated date and mutually agreeable to the Authority, DEP and the Local Government. The date of delivery so designated or agreed upon is hereinafter referred to as the "Date of Loan Closing." Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Date of Loan Closing shall in no event occur more than ninety (90) days after the date of execution of this Loan Agreement by the Authority or such later date as is agreed to in writing by DEP.

3.5 The Local Government understands and acknowledges that it is one of several local governments which have applied to the Authority and DEP for loans from the Fund to finance wastewater treatment projects and that the obligation of the Authority to make any such loan is subject to the Local Government's fulfilling all of the terms and conditions of this Loan Agreement on or prior to the Date of Loan Closing and to the requirements of the Program. The Local Government specifically recognizes that the Authority will not purchase the Local Bonds unless and until sufficient funds are available in the Fund to purchase all the Local Bonds and that, prior to such purchase, the Authority may purchase the bonds of other local governments set out in the State Project Priority List, as defined in the SRF Regulations. The Local Government further specifically recognizes that all loans will be originated in conjunction with the SRF Regulations and with the prior approval of DEP.

3.6 The Local Government shall provide DEP with the appropriate documentation to comply with the special conditions regarding the public release and audit requirements established by federal and State regulations as set forth in Exhibit E attached hereto at such times as are set forth therein.

ARTICLE IV

Local Bonds; Security for Loan; Repayment of Loan; Interest on Loan; <u>Fees and Charges</u>

4.1 The Local Government shall, as one of the conditions of the Authority and DEP to make the Loan, authorize the issuance of and issue the Local Bonds pursuant to an official action of the Local Government in accordance with the Local Statute, which shall, as adopted or enacted, contain provisions and covenants in substantially the form as follows:

(a) That the gross revenues of the System shall always be used for purposes of the System. Such gross revenues will be used monthly, in the order of priority listed below:

(i) to pay Operating Expenses of the System;

(ii) to the extent not otherwise limited by any outstanding loan resolution, indenture or other act or document and beginning on the date set forth in Schedule X, to provide debt service on the Local Bonds by depositing in a sinking fund one-third (1/3) of the interest payment next coming due on the Local Bonds and one-third (1/3) of the principal payment next coming due on the Local Bonds and, beginning three (3) months prior to the first date of payment of principal of the Local Bonds, if the reserve account for the Local Bonds (the "Reserve Account") was not funded from proceeds of the Local Bonds or otherwise concurrently with the issuance thereof in an amount equal to the maximum amount of principal and interest which will come due on the Local Bonds in the then current or any succeeding year (the "Reserve Requirement"), by depositing in the Reserve Account an amount not less than one-twelfth (1/12) of one-tenth (1/10) of the Reserve Requirement or, if the Reserve Account has been so funded (whether by Local Bond proceeds, monthly deposits or otherwise), any amount necessary to maintain the Reserve Account at the Reserve Requirement;

(iii) to create a renewal and replacement, or similar, fund in an amount equal to two and one-half percent (2-1/2%) of the gross revenues from the System, exclusive of any payments into the Reserve Account, for the purpose of improving or making emergency repairs or replacements to the System or eliminating any deficiencies in the Reserve Account; and

(iv) for other legal purposes of the System, including payment of debt service on other obligations junior, subordinate and inferior to the Local Bonds.

Provided, that if the Local Government has existing outstanding indebtedness which has greater coverage or renewal and replacement fund requirements, then the greater requirements will prevail until said existing indebtedness is paid in full.

(b) Covenants substantially as follows:

(i) That the Local Bonds shall be secured by a pledge of either the net or gross revenues of the System as provided in the Local Act;

(ii) That the schedule of rates or charges for the services of the System shall be sufficient to provide funds which, along with other revenues of the System, will pay all Operating Expenses and leave a balance each year equal to at least one hundred fifteen percent (115%) of the maximum amount required in any year for debt service on the Local Bonds and all other obligations secured by a lien on or payable from the

revenues of the System prior to or on a parity with the Local Bonds or, if the Reserve Account is funded (whether by Local Bond proceeds, monthly deposits or otherwise) at an amount equal to the Reserve Requirement and any reserve account for any such prior or parity obligations is funded at least at the requirement therefor, equal to at least one hundred ten percent (110%) of the maximum amount required in any year for debt service on the Local Bonds and any such prior or parity obligations;

(iii) That the Local Government shall complete the Project and operate and maintain the System in good condition;

(iv) That, except as otherwise required by State law or the Regulations, the System may not be sold, mortgaged, leased or otherwise disposed of, except as a whole, or substantially as a whole, provided that the net proceeds to be realized from such sale, mortgage, lease or other disposition shall be sufficient to fully pay all of the Local Bonds outstanding and further provided that portions of the System when no longer required for the ongoing operation of such System as evidenced by certificates from the Consulting Engineer, may be disposed of with such restrictions as are normally contained in such covenants;

(v) That the Local Government shall not issue any other obligations payable from the revenues of the System which rank prior to, or equally, as to lien and security with the Local Bonds, except parity bonds which shall only be issued if net revenues of the System prior to issuance of such parity bonds, plus reasonably projected revenues from rate increases and the improvements to be financed by such parity bonds, shall not be less than one hundred fifteen percent (115%) of the maximum debt service in any succeeding year on all Local Bonds and parity bonds theretofore and then being issued and on any obligations secured by a lien on or payable from the revenues of the System prior to the Local Bonds and with the prior written consent of the Authority and DEP; provided, however, that additional parity bonds may be issued to complete the Project, as described in the Application as of the date hereof, without regard to the foregoing;

(vi) That the Local Government will carry such insurance as is customarily carried with respect to works and properties similar to the System, including those specified by Section 2.8 hereof;

services of the System;

(vii) That the Local Government will not render any free

(viii) That the Authority may, by proper legal action, compel the performance of the duties of the Local Government under the Local Act, including the making and collection of sufficient rates or charges for services rendered by the System, and

shall also have, in the event of a default in payment of principal of or interest on the Local Bonds, the right to obtain the appointment of a receiver to administer the System or construction of the Project, or both, as provided by law and all rights as set forth in Section 5 of the Act;

(ix) That, to the extent authorized by the laws of the State and the rules and regulations of the PSC, all delinquent rates and charges, if not paid when due, shall become a lien on the premises served by the System;

(x) That, to the extent legally allowable, the Local Government will not grant any franchise to provide any services which would compete with the System;

(xi) That the Local Government shall annually cause the records of the System to be audited by an independent certified public accountant or independent public accountant and shall submit the report of said audit to the Authority and DEP, which report shall include a statement that the Local Government is in compliance with the terms and provisions of the Local Act and this Loan Agreement and that the Local Government's revenues are adequate to meet its Operating Expenses and debt service and reserve requirements;

(xii) That the Local Government shall annually adopt a detailed, balanced budget of the estimated revenues and expenditures for operation and maintenance of the System during the succeeding fiscal year and shall submit a copy of such budget to the Authority and DEP within 30 days of adoption thereof;

(xiii) That, to the extent authorized by the laws of the State and the rules and regulations of the PSC, prospective users of the System shall be required to connect thereto;

(xiv) That the proceeds of the Local Bonds, advanced from time to time, except for accrued interest and capitalized interest, if any, must (a) be deposited in a construction fund, which, except as otherwise agreed to in writing by the Authority, shall be held separate and apart from all other funds of the Local Government and on which the owners of the Local Bonds shall have a lien until such proceeds are applied to the construction of the Project (including the repayment of any incidental interim financing) and/or (b) be used to pay (or redeem) bond anticipation notes or other interim financing of such Local Government, the proceeds of which were used to finance the construction of the Project; provided that, with the prior written consent of the Authority and DEP, the proceeds of the Local Bonds may be used to fund all or a portion of the Reserve Account, on which the owner of the Local Bonds shall have a lien as provided herein;

(xv) That, as long as the Authority is the owner of any of the Local Bonds, the Local Government may authorize redemption of the Local Bonds with 30 days written notice to the Authority;

(xvi) That the West Virginia Municipal Bond Commission (the "Commission") shall serve as paying agent for all Local Bonds;

(xvii) That the Local Government shall on the first day of each month (if the first day is not a business day, then the first business day of each month) deposit with the Commission the required interest, principal and reserve account payment. The Local Government shall complete the Monthly Payment Form, attached hereto as Exhibit F and incorporated herein by reference, and submit a copy of said form along with a copy of the check or electronic transfer to the Authority by the 5th day of such calendar month;

(xviii) That, unless it qualifies for an exception to the provisions of Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, which exception shall be set forth in an opinion of bond counsel, the Local Government will furnish to the Authority, annually, at such time as it is required to perform its rebate calculations under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, a certificate with respect to its rebate calculations and, at any time, any additional information requested by the Authority;

(xix) That the Local Government shall have obtained the certificate of the Consulting Engineers to the effect that the Project has been or will be constructed in accordance with the approved plans, specifications and design as submitted to the Authority and DEP, the Project is adequate for the purposes for which it was designed, the funding plan as submitted to the Authority and DEP is sufficient to pay the costs of acquisition and construction of the Project and all permits required by federal and State laws for construction of the Project have been obtained;

(xx) That the Local Government shall, to the full extent permitted by applicable law and the rules and regulations of the PSC, terminate the services of any water facility owned by it to any customer of the System who is delinquent in payment of charges for services provided by the System and will not restore the services of the water facility until all delinquent charges for the services of the System have been fully paid or, if the water facility is not owned by the Local Government, then the Local Government shall enter into a termination agreement with the water provider; and

(xxi) That the Local Government shall submit all proposed change orders to the DEP for written approval. The Local Government shall obtain the written approval of the DEP before expending any proceeds of the Local Bonds held in

"contingency" as set forth in the final Schedule A attached to the certificate of the Consulting Engineer. The Local Government shall obtain the written approval of the DEP before expending any proceeds of the Local Bonds available due to bid/construction/project underruns.

The Local Government hereby represents and warrants that the Local Act has been or shall be duly adopted or enacted in compliance with all necessary corporate and other action and in accordance with applicable provisions of law. All legal matters incident to the authorization, issuance, validity, sale and delivery of the Local Bonds shall be approved without qualification by nationally recognized bond counsel acceptable to the Authority in substantially the form of legal opinion attached hereto as Exhibit G.

4.2 The Loan shall be secured by the pledge and assignment by the Local Government, as effected by the Local Act, of the fees, charges and other revenues of the Local Government from the System.

4.3 At least five percent (5%) of the proceeds of the Local Bonds will be advanced on the Date of Loan Closing. The remaining proceeds of the Local Bonds shall be advanced by the DEP monthly as required by the Local Government to pay Costs of the Project, provided, however, if the proceeds of the Local Bonds will be used to repay an interim financing, the proceeds will be advanced on a schedule mutually agreeable to the Local Government, the DEP and the Authority. The Local Bonds shall not bear interest during the construction period but interest shall commence accruing on the completion date as defined in the SRF Regulations, provided that the annual repayment of principal and payment of interest shall begin not later than one (1) year after the completion date. The repayment of principal and interest on the Local Bonds shall be as set forth on Schedule Y hereto. In no event shall the interest rate on or the net interest cost of the Local Bonds exceed any statutory limitation with regard thereto.

4.4 The Local Bonds shall be delivered to the Authority in fully registered form, transferable and exchangeable as provided in the Local Act at the expense of the Local Government. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, the Local Bonds may be issued in one or more series.

4.5 As provided by the SRF Regulations, the Local Government agrees to pay from time to time, if required by the Authority and DEP, the Local Government's allocable share of the reasonable administrative expenses of the Authority relating to the Program. Such administrative expenses shall be determined by the Authority and shall include, without limitation, Program expenses, legal fees paid by the Authority and fees paid to the trustee and paying agents for any bonds or notes to be issued by the Authority for contribution to the Fund and the fees and expenses of any corporate trustee for the Fund.

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4.6 The obligation of the Authority to make any loans shall be conditioned upon the availability of moneys in the Fund in such amount and on such terms and conditions as, in the sole judgment of the Authority, will enable it to make the Loan.

ARTICLE V

Certain Covenants of the Local Government; Imposition and Collection of User Charges; Payments To Be Made by Local Government to the Authority

5.1 The Local Government hereby irrevocably covenants and agrees to comply with all of the terms, conditions and requirements of this Loan Agreement and the Local Act. The Local Government hereby further irrevocably covenants and agrees that, as one of the conditions of the Authority to make the Loan, it has fixed and collected, or will fix and collect, the rates, fees and other charges for the use of the System and will take all such actions necessary to provide funds sufficient to produce the required sums set forth in the Local Act and in compliance with the provisions of Subsections 4.1(a) and 4.1(b)(ii) hereof.

5.2 In the event, for any reason, the schedule of rates, fees and charges initially established for the System in connection with the Local Bonds shall prove to be insufficient to produce the required sums set forth in the Local Act and this Loan Agreement, the Local Government hereby covenants and agrees that it will, to the extent or in the manner authorized by law, immediately adjust and increase such schedule of rates, fees and charges (or where applicable, immediately file with the PSC for a rate increase) and take all such actions necessary to provide funds sufficient to produce the required sums set forth in the Local Act and this Loan Agreement.

5.3 In the event the Local Government defaults in any payment due to the Authority pursuant to this Loan Agreement, the amount of such default shall bear interest at the interest rate of the installment of the Loan next due, from the date of the default until the date of the payment thereof.

5.4 The Local Government hereby irrevocably covenants and agrees with the Authority that, in the event of any default hereunder by the Local Government, the Authority may exercise any or all of the rights and powers granted under Section 5 of the Act, including, without limitation, the right to impose, enforce and collect charges of the System.

ARTICLE VI

Other Agreements of the Local Government

6.1 The Local Government hereby acknowledges to the Authority and DEP its understanding of the provisions of the Act, vesting in the Authority and DEP certain powers, rights and privileges with respect to wastewater treatment projects in the event of default by the Local Government in the terms and covenants of this Loan Agreement, and the Local Government hereby covenants and agrees that, if the Authority should hereafter have recourse to said rights and powers, the Local Government shall take no action of any nature whatsoever calculated to inhibit, nullify, void, delay or render nugatory such actions of the Authority in the due and prompt implementation of this Loan Agreement.

6.2 The Local Government hereby warrants and represents that all information provided to the Authority and DEP in this Loan Agreement, in the Application or in any other application or documentation with respect to financing the Project was at the time, and now is, true, correct and complete, and such information does not omit any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. Prior to the Authority's making the Loan and receiving the Local Bonds, the Authority and DEP shall have the right to cancel all or any of their obligations under this Loan Agreement if (a) any representation made to the Authority and DEP by the Local Government in connection with the Loan shall be incorrect or incomplete in any material respect or (b) the Local Government has violated any commitment made by it in its Application or in any supporting documentation or has violated any of the terms of the Act, the SRF Regulations or this Loan Agreement.

6.3 The Local Government hereby agrees to repay on or prior to the Date of Loan Closing any moneys due and owing by it to the Authority or any other lender for the planning or design of the Project, provided that such repayment shall not be made from the proceeds of the Loan.

6.4 The Local Government hereby covenants that it will rebate any amounts required by Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and will take all steps necessary to make any such rebates. In the event the Local Government fails to make any such rebates as required, then the Local Government shall pay any and all penalties, obtain a waiver from the Internal Revenue Service and take any other actions necessary or desirable to preserve the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Local Bonds.

6.5 Notwithstanding Section 6.4, the Authority and DEP may at any time, in

their sole discretion, cause the rebate calculations prepared by or on behalf of the Local Government to be monitored or cause the rebate calculations for the Local Government to be prepared, in either case at the expense of the Local Government.

6.6 The Local Government hereby agrees to give the Authority and DEP prior written notice of the issuance by it of any other obligations to be used for the System, payable from the revenues of the System or from any grants for the Project or otherwise related to the Project or the System.

6.7 The Local Government hereby agrees to file with the Authority and DEP upon completion of acquisition and construction of the Project a schedule in substantially the form of Amended Schedule A to the Application, setting forth the actual costs of the Project and sources of funds therefor.

ARTICLE VII

Miscellaneous

7.1 Schedules X and Y shall be attached to this Loan Agreement by the Authority as soon as practicable after the Date of Loan Closing is established and shall be approved by an official action of the Local Government supplementing the Local Act, a certified copy of which official action shall be submitted to the Authority.

7.2 If any provision of this Loan Agreement shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Loan Agreement, and this Loan Agreement shall be construed and enforced as if such invalid or unenforceable provision had not been contained herein.

7.3 This Loan Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, any of which shall be regarded for all purposes as an original and all of which constitute but one and the same instrument. Each party agrees that it will execute any and all documents or other instruments and take such other actions as may be necessary to give effect to the terms of this Loan Agreement.

7.4 No waiver by any party of any term or condition of this Loan Agreement shall be deemed or construed as a waiver of any other terms or conditions, nor shall a waiver of any breach be deemed to constitute a waiver of any subsequent breach, whether of the same or of a different section, subsection, paragraph, clause, phrase or other provision of this Loan Agreement.

7.5 This Loan Agreement supersedes all prior negotiations, representations and agreements between the parties hereto relating to the Loan and constitutes the entire agreement between the parties hereto in respect thereof.

7.6 By execution and delivery of this Loan Agreement, notwithstanding the date hereof, the Local Government specifically recognizes that it is hereby agreeing to sell its Local Bonds to the Authority and that such obligation may be specifically enforced or subject to a similar equitable remedy by the Authority.

7.7 This Loan Agreement shall terminate upon the earlier of:

(i) written notice of termination to the Local Government from either the Authority or DEP;

(ii) the end of ninety (90) days after the date of execution hereof by the Authority or such later date as is agreed to in writing by DEP if the Local Government has failed to deliver the Local Bonds to the Authority;

(iii) termination by the Authority and DEP pursuant to Section 6.2

hereof; or

(iv) payment in full of the principal of and interest on the Loan and of any fees and charges owed by the Local Government to the Authority or DEP; provided that the amount of the Loan made under this Loan Agreement in any succeeding fiscal year is contingent upon funds being appropriated by the State legislature or otherwise being available to make the Loan. In the event funds are not appropriated or otherwise available to make all of the Loan, the responsibility of the Authority and DEP to make all the Loan is terminated; provided further that the obligation of the Local Government to repay the outstanding amount of the Loan made by the Authority and DEP is not terminated due to such non-funding on any balance of the Loan. The DEP agrees to use its best efforts to have the amount contemplated under this Loan Agreement included in its budget. Non-appropriation or non-funding of the Loan shall not be considered an event of default under this Loan Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Loan Agreement to be executed by their respective duly authorized officers as of the date executed below by the Authority.

		[Name of Local Government]	
(SEAL) Attest:	Date:	By: Its:	
Its:			
		WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DIVISION OF WATER AND WASTE MANAGEMENT	
		By: Its: Director Date:	
		WEST VIRGINIA WATER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	
(SEAL)		By: Its: Director	
Attest:	Date:		
Its: Secretary-Treasurer			
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EXHIBIT A

FORM OF PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE

[To Be Provided By DEP]

EXHIBIT B

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Name of Local Government		
Name of Bond Issue(s)		
Type of Project	Water	Wastewater
Fiscal Year	Report Month	

Item	Current <u>Month</u>	Total Year <u>To Date</u>	Budget Year <u>To Date</u>	Budget Year To Date Minus Total Year <u>To Date</u>
1. Gross Revenues				
2. Operating Expenses				
3. Bond Payments:				
<u>Type of Issue</u> Clean Water SRF Drinking Water TRF Infrastructure Fund Water Development Authority Rural Utilities Service				
Economic Development Administration Other (Identify)				
4. Renewal and Replacement Fund Deposits				

Name of Person Completing Form

Address

Telephone INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

- Item 1 You will need a copy of the current fiscal year budget adopted by the Local Government to complete Items 1 and 2. In Item 1, provide the amount of actual **Gross Revenues** for the current month and the total amount year-todate in the respective columns. Divide the budgeted annual Gross Revenues by 12. For example, if Gross Revenues of \$1,200 are anticipated to be received for the year, each month the base would be increased by \$100 (\$1,200/12). This is the incremental amount for the Budget Year-to-Date column.
- Item 2 Provide the amount of actual **Operating Expenses** for the current month and the total amount year-to-date in the respective columns. Any administrative fee should be included in the Operating Expenses. Divide the budgeted annual Operating Expenses by 12. For example, if Operating Expenses of \$900 are anticipated to be incurred for the year, each month the base would be increased by \$75 (\$900/12). This is the incremental amount for the Budget Year-to-Date column.
- Item 3 Provide the **Bond Payments (principal, interest and reserve account)** for all the outstanding bonds of the Local Government according to the source of funding. For example, Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan from Department of Environmental Protection, Drinking Water Treatment Revolving Fund loan from Bureau for Public Health, Infrastructure Fund loan from Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council, or a loan from the Water Development Authority, etc.
- Item 4 Provide the amount deposited into the **Renewal and Replacement Fund** each month. This amount is equal to 2.5% of Gross Revenues minus the total reserve account payments included in Item 3. If Gross Revenues are \$1,200, then \$30 (2.5% of \$1,200), LESS the amount of all reserve account payments in Item 3 should be deposited into the Renewal and Replacement Fund. The money in the Renewal and Replacement Fund should be kept separate and apart from all other funds of the Local Government.

The Local Government must complete the Monthly Financial Report and forward it to the Water Development Authority by the 10th day of each month, commencing on the date contracts are executed for the acquisition or construction of the Project and for two years following the completion of acquisition or construction of the Project.

EXHIBIT C

PAYMENT REQUISITION FORM

(All Copies to Be Provided by DEP for Each Project)

EXHIBIT D

FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF CONSULTING ENGINEER

(Issuer)

(Name of Bonds)

I, _____, Registered Professional Engineer, West Virginia License No._____, of _____, Consulting Engineers, _____, hereby certify as follows:

2. The Bonds are being issued for the purposes of (i) ______, and (ii) paying certain issuance and other costs in connection therewith.

3. To the best of my knowledge, information and belief, (i) within the limits and in accordance with the applicable and governing contractual requirements relating to the Project, the Project will be constructed in general accordance with the approved plans, specifications and designs prepared by my firm and approved by the DEP and any change orders approved by the Issuer, the DEP and all necessary governmental bodies; (ii) the Project, as designed, is adequate for its intended purpose and has a useful life of at least

_____ years, if properly operated and maintained, excepting anticipated replacements due to normal wear and tear; (iii) the Issuer has received bids for the acquisition and construction of the Project which are in an amount and otherwise compatible with the plan of financing set forth in Schedule A attached hereto as Exhibit A, and my firm¹ has ascertained that all

¹If another responsible party, such as the Issuer's attorney, reviews the insurance and payment bonds, then insert the following: [and in reliance upon the opinion of ______, Esq.] and delete "my firm has ascertained that".

successful bidders have made required provisions for all insurance and payment and performance bonds and that such insurance policies or binders and such bonds have been verified for accuracy; (iv) the successful bidders received any and all addenda to the original bid documents; (v) the bid documents relating to the Project reflect the Project as approved by the DEP and the bid forms provided to the bidders contain all critical operational components of the Project; (vi) the successful bids include prices for every item on such bid forms; (vii) the uniform bid procedures were followed; (viii) the Issuer has obtained all permits required by the laws of the State of West Virginia and the United States necessary for the acquisition and construction of the Project and operation of the System; (ix) as of the effective date thereof², the rates and charges for the System as adopted by the Issuer will be sufficient to comply with the provisions of the Loan Agreement; (x) the net proceeds of the Bonds, together with all other moneys on deposit or to be simultaneously deposited and irrevocably pledged thereto and the proceeds of grants, if any, irrevocably committed therefor, are sufficient to pay the costs of acquisition and construction of the Project approved by the DEP; and (xi) attached hereto as Exhibit A is the final amended "Schedule A - Total Cost of Project; Sources of Funds and Cost of Financing" for the Project.

WITNESS my signature and seal on this _____ day of _____, ____.

By _____

West Virginia License No.

[SEAL]

²If the Rule 42 Exhibit and/or rate structure was prepared by an accountant, then insert the following: "In reliance upon the certificate of ______ of even date herewith," at the beginning of (ix).

EXHIBIT E

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

A. PUBLIC RELEASE REQUIREMENT - The Local Government agrees to include, when issuing statements, press releases, requests for proposals, bid solicitations, groundbreaking or project dedication program documents and other documents describing projects or programs funded in whole or in part with Federal money, (1) the percentage of the total costs of the program or project which will be financed with Federal money, (2) the dollar amount of Federal funds for the project or program, and (3) percentage and dollar amount of the total costs of the project or program that will be financed by non-governmental sources.

B. AUDIT REQUIREMENT (Supplement to Article IV 4.1 (b) (xi)) - The Local Government that receives \$500,000 or more (in federal funds) in a fiscal year must obtain audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act and the applicable OMB Circular or any successor thereto. Financial statement audits are required once all funds have been received by the Local Government.

EXHIBIT F

MONTHLY PAYMENT FORM

West Virginia Water Development Authority 180 Association Drive Charleston, WV 25311

Re: [Name of bond issue]

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The following deposits were made to the West Virginia Municipal Bond Commission on behalf of [Name of Local Government] on [Date].

Sinking Fund:

Interest	\$
Principal	\$
Total:	\$
Reserve Account:	\$

Witness my signature this ____ day of _____.

[Name of Local Government]

By: _____

Authorized Officer

Enclosure: copy of check(s)

EXHIBIT G

OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

[To Be Dated as of Date of Loan Closing]

West Virginia Water Development Authority 180 Association Drive Charleston, WV 25311

West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Division of Water & Waste Management 601 57TH Street, S.E. Charleston, WV 25304-2345

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are bond counsel to ______ (the "Local Government"), a

We have examined a certified copy of proceedings and other papers relating to the authorization of (i) a loan agreement dated _____, ____, including all schedules and exhibits attached thereto (the "Loan Agreement"), among the Local Government, the West Virginia Water Development Authority (the "Authority") and the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (the "DEP"), and (ii) the issue of a series of revenue bonds of the Local Government, dated ______, ____ (the "Local Bonds"), to be purchased by the Authority in accordance with the provisions of the Loan Agreement. The Local Bonds are issued in the principal amount of \$______, in the form of one bond, registered as to principal and interest to the Authority, with principal and interest payable quarterly on March 1, June 1, September 1, and December 1 of each year, beginning ______1, ____, and ending ______1, _____, all as set forth in the "Schedule Y" attached to the Loan Agreement and incorporated in and made a part of the Local Bonds.

The Local Bonds are issued for the purposes of (i) _____, and (ii) paying certain issuance and other costs in connection therewith.

We have also examined the applicable provisions of ______ of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended (the "Local Statute"), and the bond ______ duly adopted or enacted by the Local Government on ______, as supplemented by the supplemental resolution duly adopted by the Local Government on (collectively, the "Local Act"), pursuant to and under which Local Statute and Local Act the Local Bonds are authorized and issued, and the Loan Agreement has been undertaken. The

Local Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity to the extent, at the time, under the conditions and subject to the limitations set forth in the Local Act and the Loan Agreement.

Based upon the foregoing and upon our examination of such other documents as we have deemed necessary, we are of the opinion as follows:

1. The Loan Agreement has been duly authorized by and executed on behalf of the Local Government and is a valid and binding special obligation of the Local Government, enforceable in accordance with the terms thereof.

2. The Loan Agreement inures to the benefit of the Authority and the DEP and cannot be amended so as to affect adversely the rights of the Authority or the DEP or diminish the obligations of the Local Government without the consent of the Authority and the DEP.

3. The Local Government is a duly organized and validly existing _______, with full power and authority to acquire and construct the Project, to operate and maintain the System, to adopt or enact the Local Act and to issue and sell the Local Bonds, all under the Local Statute and other applicable provisions of law.

4. The Local Act and all other necessary orders and resolutions have been legally and effectively adopted or enacted by the Local Government and constitute valid and binding obligations of the Local Government, enforceable against the Local Government in accordance with their terms. The Local Act contains provisions and covenants substantially in the form of those set forth in Section 4.1 of the Loan Agreement.

5. The Local Bonds have been duly authorized, issued, executed and delivered by the Local Government to the Authority and are valid, legally enforceable and binding special obligations of the Local Government, payable from the net or gross revenues of the System set forth in the Local Act and secured by a first lien on and pledge of the net or gross revenues of the System, all in accordance with the terms of the Local Bonds and the Local Act.

6. The Local Bonds are, by statute, exempt ______, and under existing statutes and court decisions of the United States of America, as presently written and applied, the interest on the Local Bonds is excludable from the gross income of the recipients thereof for federal income tax purposes.

No opinion is given herein as to the effect upon enforceability of the Local Bonds of bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other laws affecting creditors' rights or in the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases.

We have examined the executed and authenticated Local Bond numbered R-1, and in our opinion the form of said bond and its execution and authentication are regular and

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proper.

Very truly yours,

SCHEDULE X

DESCRIPTION OF LOCAL BONDS

Principal Amount of Local Bonds \$_____ Purchase Price of Local Bonds \$

The Local Bonds shall bear no interest from the date of delivery to and including ________, interest on the Local Bonds is payable quarterly, at a rate of ______% per annum. Commencing ______, principal of the Local Bonds is payable quarterly, with an administrative fee of %. Quarterly payments will be made on March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1 of each year as set forth on the Schedule Y attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

The Local Government shall submit its payments monthly to the Commission with instructions that the Commission will make quarterly payments to the Authority at such address as is given to the Commission in writing by the Authority. If the Reserve Account is not fully funded at closing, the Local Government shall commence the payment of the 1/120 of the maximum annual debt service on the first day of the month it makes its first monthly payment to the Commission. The Local Government shall instruct the Commission to notify the Authority of any monthly payments which are not received by the 20th day of the month in which the payment was due.

The Local Bonds are fully registered in the name of the Authority as to principal and interest, if any, and the Local Bonds shall grant the Authority a first lien on the net or gross revenues of the Local Government's system as provided in the Local Act.

The Local Government may prepay the Local Bonds in full at any time at the price of par upon 30 days' written notice to the Authority and DEP. The Local Government shall request approval from the Authority and DEP in writing of any proposed debt which will be issued by the Local Government on a parity with the Local Bonds which request must be filed at least 60 days prior to the intended date of issuance.

As of the date of the Loan Agreement, the Local Bonds are on a parity as to liens, pledge and source of and security for payment with the following obligations of the Local Government:

SCHEDULE Y

DEBT SERVICE SCHEDULE