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TOWN OF BOSTON

Tuesday, September 2, 2025

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Mr. Leonard F. Kowalski, P.E. Executive Engineer Erie County Water Authority 3030 Union Road Cheektowaga, NY 14227

Re: Transition of Town of Boston Lease Managed Water Districts to Direct Service

Dear Mr. Kowalski:

The Town of Boston is evaluating the long-term management of its water system. As you are aware, part of the Town's system is currently under the Lease Management Agreement with the Erie County Water Authority ("ECWA"), while other areas are already served directly by ECWA. Over time, ECWA has supplied the Town with recommendations for water main replacements in the Lease Managed districts based on break history and system performance. While Boston has undertaken a number of these projects, additional improvements continue to be identified.

The Town Board's objective is to eventually convert the remaining Lease Managed districts to Direct Service. We recognize that this process requires completing the outstanding main replacements and making any additional system upgrades ECWA deems necessary. Because of the scope of the work and the anticipated financial impact, the Town intends to proceed in phases over several years. This phased approach will allow us to pursue available funding opportunities and grants to help offset project costs and reduce the financial burden on our residents.

To advance this effort, the Town is preparing an Engineering Report that will identify required water main replacements and system upgrades, outline estimated costs, and set forth a phased conversion schedule. In connection with this report, we respectfully request that ECWA provide:

- 1. An updated list of recommended water main replacement projects within the Lease Managed area:
- 2. A list of any additional improvements or upgrades needed for conversion to Direct Service; and
- 3. Confirmation that ECWA would accept a phased, district-by-district conversion approach.

Your cooperation is essential to the Town's planning process, and we appreciate your guidance. Please feel free to contact me directly if you would like to discuss this matter further or if additional information is required.

Respectfully,

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