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NOTICE OF CLAIM FORM

ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY
295 MAIN STREET – ROOM 350
BUFFALO, NEW YORK 14203-2494
(716) 849-8465

Claimant(s) Name	DANIEL K. SOWERS JR		
Address	325 LAKEWOOD PKWY	Cell Phone #	716- [redacted]
Email Address	[redacted]	Home Phone #	716- [redacted]

Accident / Damage / Injury Location			
Date of Incident		Time of Incident	a.m. / p.m.
Police Contacted?	Yes / No	Police Report Taken?	Yes / No
Name of Police Agency			

PROPERTY DAMAGE CLAIMS ONLY N/A if not applicable

If this is not your property, give the name and address of the owner:

Name	DANIEL K. SOWERS JR		
Address	325 LAKEWOOD PKWY. SNYDER N.Y.	Zip Code	14226
Home Phone #	716- [redacted]	Work Phone #	

PLEASE ATTACH ESTIMATES

Repair Estimates	$ See Attached	$ 7,763.16+

PROPERTY DAMAGE AND PERSONAL INJURY WITNESSES

Name		Name	
Address		Address	
Phone		Phone	

Attach copies of Medical bills once submitted to health insurance or automobile insurance.

ONLY PROVIDE COPIES OF THE MEDICAL BILLS. DO NOT PROVIDE MEDICAL RECORDS WITH THIS CLAIM FORM.

Claimant's Statement (please print legibly and be specific):

Please see attached letter

Add Additional Pages if necessary

All statements herein are made under penalty of perjury.

Date: 10/26/2026

Daniel K Sowers Jr
Claimant's Signature

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF ERIE) ss:

On this 26th day of October, 2026 before me, personally appeared, Daniel K Sowers Jr personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her capacity, and that by his/her signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

MARLA M. MERICLE
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF NEW YORK
REGISTRATION NO. 01ME6135414
QUALIFIED IN NIAGARA COUNTY
My Commission Expires October 17 2029

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Notary Public

October 26, 2026

Erie County Water Authority
295 Main Street
Buffalo, New York 14203

Regarding property at:
325 Lakewood Parkway
Amherst, New York 14226
Accoun[redacted]

To Whom It May Concern at Erie County Water Authority,

After noticing a strange buzzing/humming sound coming from our water meter, I called Erie County Water Authority to request a service call to come out and to locate the problem. The person I spoke to on the phone said we had an old meter which was in need of updating and that should solve the noise problem.

On September 2, 2026, an Erie County Water employee was sent to replace the old meter. After he installed the new meter, the noise was still there. He then proceeded outside to shut off the water to our residence. When he did, the noise went away. He told us we had a water leak under our property and it was our responsibility to repair it.

Around September 10, 2026, we received a letter threatening that if we didn't repair the leak by September 24, 2026, our water would be shut off. We followed instructions and contacted Cellino Plumbing to locate, repair, and replace the water line. They did so on September 22, 2026, following which, the noise was still there!!

I called Erie County Water Authority again for someone to come out and locate the source of the persistent noise and alleged leak. After 2 hours of research of the grounds, your employee located the leak, which was underneath the street and NOT on our property. Only then was I told that the meter installer did not, in fact, have the ability to locate leaks.

Enclosed please find a copy of the Erie County Water Authority's threatening letter and Cellino Plumbing bill that we paid. I am filing this claim to seek reimbursement for the unneeded repair that the Erie County Water meter installer said was needed, not an employee who locates leaks. We are also seeking repair or reimbursement for damage which is not included in Cellino's bill - damage that was needlessly done to some of our landscape, which was torn out, along with the majority of our front lawn. The estimated cost of this is unknown.

Sincerely,

Daniel K. Sowers Jr.

Daniel Sowers
325 Lakewood Pkwy
Snyder, NY 14226

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