



ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

May 19, 2026

To: Jennifer Hibit, Secretary to the Authority

From: Leonard F. Kowalski, Executive Engineer

Subject: Request to travel – Pump Delivery

A raw water pump was recently disassembled at Van de Water Raw Water Pump Station. The pump impeller is showing signs of distress and needs to be replaced. The pump was installed in the 1970's. The original manufacturer is no longer in business, and we have been unable to get in contact with a company that currently represents this line of pumps.

We have found a company that is able to scan the existing impeller, reverse engineer the part and then provide a new casting of the impeller. The name of the company is Hydro East, Inc. and they are in Aston, PA.

A new pump would cost approximately \$500,000 and delivery would be approximately one year. The cost of this process will be approximately \$100,000 and take approximately ten to twelve weeks to complete.

I am requesting Board Authorization to travel to the above referenced location for up to three employees. The Production Department employees tasked with transporting the existing impeller to Hydro East, Inc. have not been determined at this time. The scanning process will take one to two days; the overall trip will require two to three nights of lodging. The exact dates have not been determined at this time, we are still in the process of finalizing a schedule with Hydro East, Inc., but we expect the trip to take place in June or July.

Budget Information:
Unit 1015 Van de Water Plant
Item No. 602212 Travel

LFK:jmf

**ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY
AUTHORIZATION FORM
For Approval/Execution of Board Meeting Documents**

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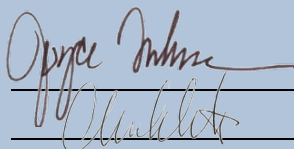
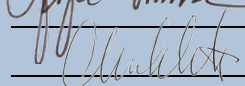

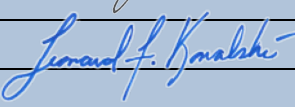
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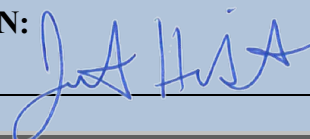
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Approvals Required:

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Chief Financial Officer		Date: 05/19/2026
Chief Operating Officer		Date: 05/19/2026
Claims Rep. – Risk Manager	_____	Date: _____
Comptroller	_____	Date: _____
Director of Administration	_____	Date: _____
Director of Distribution	_____	Date: _____
Director of Human Resources	_____	Date: _____
Director of IT	_____	Date: _____
Sr. Director of Operations & Infra	_____	Date: _____
Director of Planning & Water Supply	_____	Date: _____
Director of Production		Date: 5/19/2026
Director of Water Quality	_____	Date: _____
Executive Engineer		Date: 5/19/2026
General Counsel (Legal)	_____	Date: _____
Other: _____	_____	Date: _____

APPROVED FOR BOARD RESOLUTION:

Secretary to the Authority  Date: 05/19/2026

Remarks: _____

Resolution Date: _____ Item No: _____