Village of Johnson City

Dissolution Study Committee

September 14, 2009

Edward Crumb, Chairman

Binghamton - Johnson City Joint Sewage Board

4480 Old Vestal Road

Vestal, New York 13850

Re: Village of Johnson City Dissolution Report

Dear Mr. Crumb:

The following is a response to your letter of August 18, 2009 concerning observations and questions pertaining to the 7/20/09 Dissolution Report and Plan, numbered in the same way as your paragraphs:

- 1-5, 8 and 13: Please refer to the attached letter dated September 14, 2009 from Alan J. Pope, Esq., attorney for the Town of Union.
- 4 (in addition to Mr. Pope's reply): The Committee did not perform a feasibility analysis as you described, as that would have been beyond the scope of the Committee's task.
- 6: Mr. Bennett has confirmed that Johnson City has approximately 60 miles of sewer pipe (collection lines plus trunk lines) within the Village. He is not sure why the disparity, but thought it might be that the trunk lines are not included in the referenced 45 miles. So it is not necessary to change the report.
- 7: Please note that the Addendum to the Plan (at Page 10) corrected the percentage of JC's ownership of the Joint Sewage Treatment Plant to 45.2%.
- 9: The new sewer district will retain the present boundaries of the Village. Per agreement with the Town, the new district will continue to enjoy the "owner's rate" with the rate for current JC residents expected to "not be significantly different to those in effect at the time of dissolution".

10: The 45.2% ownership of the Joint Sewage Plant was intended to apply to all jointly held property and equipment, including those on Old Vestal Road and Gates Road. Thank you for noting the specific locations.

11: Thank you for bringing to our attention the jointly owned easement between the Joint Sewage Treatment Campus and the Terminal Pumping Station grounds, and also the Village's sole ownership of a sewer force main buried within the easement. By insuring your letter and this response are archived with our plan documentation, the Committee considers these to be incorporated into the Plan.

12: On the chart at page 55, item 17 was intended to include *all* agreements related to the Joint Sewage Treatment Plant, including the agreements between the co-owners and the agreements with the outside users. It was not necessary to state item 63 separately, as it was included in the group referred to at item 17.

Mr. Crumb, thank you for your observations and questions, and we hope you are satisfied with the responses.

Milliam Klish, Chairman

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