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Joint Legislative Committee on Local Government
16 West Jones St.
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Attention: Committee Chairs and Assistant

North Carolina Local Government Commission
3200 Atlantic Avenue
Longleaf Building
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Attention: Secretary

Fiscal Research Division
Legislative Office Building
200 North Salisbury Street, Suite 619
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Attention: Director

Re: Notice of Intent to Enter a Contractual Agreement for a
State Reserve Project Loan
Raw Water Intake Modifications Project (H-SRP-D-18-0172)

To Whom it May Concern:

In accordance with NC General Statute 120-157.1 through 157.9, the Neuse Regional Water and Sewer Authority (NRWASA) hereby notifies you of NRWASA's intent to enter into a contractual agreement for a State Reserve Project Loan for the subject project administered by the NC State Water Infrastructure Authority. The proceeds of this loan will be used to pay for a portion of the capital costs associated with improvements to NRWASA's raw water intake in the Neuse River. NRWASA has also secured a \$1,300,000 grant from the Golden LEAF Foundation for the project.

The current Project Loan estimate approved by the Water Infrastructure Authority is

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\$1,220,000 at a maximum interest rate of 2.16%. The final loan amount will be determined after opening and review of construction bids, which will occur on August 8th, 2019.

The Division of Water Infrastructure has reviewed and approved the project engineering report, plans and specifications, and all addenda issued during the bidding process. Except for the Section 404 permit which is still pending, all project-required permits have been obtained, including the Authorization to Construct issued by the Public Water Supply Section.

Because construction in the Neuse River will be limited (by permit conditions) to a four-month window between October 1 and January 31 (to limit impacts to anadromous fish), NRWASA intends to move forward with a tentative construction bid award at their August 22, 2019 meeting. As such, please let us know if any additional information is necessary prior to the September 10, 2019 Local Government Commission Meeting.

Thank you, if you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at 252-522-2567.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Harold Herring", written in a cursive style.

Harold Herring
NRWASA Executive Director