



June 4, 2018

The Honorable Daryl D. Metcalf
Chairman – State Government Committee
Pennsylvania House of Representatives
144 Main Capitol Building
PO Box 202012
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Chairman and Committee Members:

Managing a clean water supply for our 10,800 customers and approximately 40,000 individuals is more challenging every day. Our entire well water supply has been affected by perfluorinated chemical compounds (PFAS). Without the clean water supply provided by the Delaware River, through the Forest Park Treatment Facility, our businesses and residents may still be affected by PFAS chemicals.

The Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC) has overseen and protected the water supply on a regional basis and has been a model for basin oversight. We would be thrilled to have this protection without charge but understand the need for funding to operate. Without the unified approach to the Delaware's resources, when we needed an entire new water supply, our customers might have been figuratively up the creek without a paddle.

I will borrow language from North Wales Water Authority since they said it so clearly, "the DRBC is not only essential to our continued operations, but also a critical element in our continued success in satisfying the water needs of our service area."

We fully support the mission and the operations of the DRBC.

I would be happy to answer any questions or discuss our position on this issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Timothy D. Hagey".

Timothy D. Hagey
General Manager

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