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Proposed Regulations – Defined Terms

Article One of the WPCA Regulations shall be amended to add the following definitions:

“Benefit Assessment means a charge imposed by the Authority against a property to recover the costs associated with the acquisition, construction, or upgrading of wastewater collection, conveyance, or treatment facilities, including all related costs permitted to be assessed under state law. The amount of such assessment shall not exceed the special benefit accruing to the assessed property.”

“Extension means (i) an extension of any existing Public Sewer to serve properties located beyond the area served by the Town and/or (ii) a connection of any Building to any such extension of the Public Sewer.”

“Capacity Fee means a charge imposed on a property owner to reflect the increased demand on the capacity of the Town Sewer System caused by the connection of the property owner to the Public Sewer or an increase in volume of Sewage discharged by any property owner already connected to the Public Sewer.”

“User Fee means the charge imposed on a User of the Town Sewer System to recover the operating costs of such system, including but not limited to costs associated with the operation, maintenance and routine repair of the Town Sewer System.”

Proposed Capacity Fee Regulation

Article Five of the WPCA Regulations shall be amended by adopting the following new section, Section 5.4:

“There shall be established a schedule of Capacity Fees to be charged and collected by the Water Pollution Control Authority. Such Capacity Fees shall be imposed upon (i) all property owners that connect to the Public Sewer and/or (ii) all property owners that increase capacity through an existing connection to the Public Sewer.

5.4.1 Capacity fees are due and payable in full before a connection is made or a capacity increase is allowed.

5.4.2 As used in this Section 5.4, ‘connect to the Public Sewer’ and/or ‘connection’ shall include any of the following if made on or after the effective date of this regulation:

a. a connection of any Building to the existing Public Sewer (excluding those Buildings on property for which a Benefit Assessment was imposed prior to the effective date of this regulation); and/or

b. the Extension of any existing Public Sewer.”