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April 22nd, 2020

Department of Community and Economic Development
Secretary Dennis Davin
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street, 4th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Secretary Davin,

We write to share our strong concern regarding the possible sale of the Chester Water Authority (CWA), which serves our constituents in Chester and Delaware counties.

We respectfully request additional information on the Department of Community and Economic Development's (DCED) involvement in this process. Specifically, is it DCED's intent to sell CWA and, in your view, do you believe DCED has the authority to do so? We have heard from hundreds of constituents expressing strong opposition to any sale of CWA. They wish for continued operation of CWA as an independent municipal authority and fear their rates going up if a public company acquires this municipal authority.

Any actions by DCED need to have public input from the over 200,000 ratepayers who are essential stakeholders. The sale of municipal water authorities in our region have frequently resulted in sharp rate increases for consumers, many of whom are senior citizens. CWA is, and continues to, operate as a financially solvent, independent municipal water authority with its own governing board. Any sale of CWA is unwarranted and not in the best interest of our constituents.

Thank you for considering our comments. We look forward to your response.

Respectfully,

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