NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

SETTING CONNECTION FEE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016

Please take Notice that the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority (the "Authority") will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 17, 2016 following the Work Session at 7:00pm at the Authority Administration Building located at 30 Wyckoff Avenue at Authority Drive, Waldwick, New Jersey 07463 regarding the calculation of a connection fee for the calendar year 2016 pursuant to N.J.S.A.40:14B-22 and N.J.S.A.40:14B-23.

At the Public Hearing, members of the public may provide comments to the Authority and ask questions of the witnesses regarding the calculation of the connection fee for calendar year 2016.

The report of Ferriaoli, Wielkotz, Cerullo & Cuva, PA, the auditors for the Authority, which will form the basis for the calculation of the connection fee for the calendar year 2016, may be inspected by the public on or after May 10, 2016 between the hours of 9:30am and 4:00pm at the Authority's Administration Building, 30 Wyckoff Avenue at Authority Drive, Waldwick, New Jersey 07463.

NORTHWEST BERGEN COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Alison Gordon SECRETARY

April 27, 2016

SPECIAL MEETING

PUBLIC HEARING - 2016 CONNECTION FEE

MAY 17, 2016

AGENDA

- 1. Meeting called to Order.
- 2. Chairman's statement in compliance with C.231, PL 1975.
- 3. Roll Call.
- 4. Salute to the Flag.
- 5. Chairman's remarks.
- 6. Discussion on the 2016 Sewer Connection Fee Rate
- 7. Public Comments regarding same.
- 8. Vote on Resolution No. 46-2016 Authorization to Adjust Connection Fee
- 9. Public Comments.
- 10. Adjournment.

May 13, 2016

RESOLUTION

NO. 46-2016

Date: May 17, 2016

AUTHORIZATION TO ADJUST CONNECTION FEE

AMENDED

WHEREAS, after a public hearing on December 6, 2006, as set forth in the Resolution adopted on said date, the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority (the "Authority") determined that it would be in the best interest of the public and the local government units it serves to institute a connection fee program in the manner prescribed by N.J.S.A. 40:14B-23, and to adopt the necessary amendments to the Authority's Rules, Regulations and Standards required to implement the connection fee program; and

WHEREAS, at the hearing on June 17, 2015, the Authority determined that the cost of the connection fee for the year 2015 would be \$4,710 per service unit as calculated in the 2015 Sewer Connection Fee Rate Study prepared by Ferraioli, Wielkotz, Cerullo & Cuva, PA, and the Authority applied a reduction of 50% to mitigate the impact of the imposition of the connection fee program, resulting in the cost of the connection fee to be \$2,355.00 per unit; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Ferraioli, Wielkotz, Cerullo & Cuva, PA, the auditors for the Authority, has prepared a report entitled "2016 Sewer Connection Fee Rate Study Update" for the Authority, with the assistance of the Authority staff, on the proper amount for a connection fee payable by an individual or party making a new connection to the System for the year 2016, in accordance with the formula set forth in N.J.S.A. 40:14B-22, for the privilege of making the connection ("2016 Sewer Connection Fee Rate Study Update"); and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2016, in accordance with the requirements of <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40:14B-22, the Authority conducted a public hearing on the proposed adjustment of the connection fee prescribed by <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40:14B-23; and

WHEREAS, the Authority, having considered, at the public hearing held on May 17, 2016: (i) 2016 Sewer Connection Fee Rate Study Update; and (ii) the statements of those attending the public hearing; and has determined that it would be in the best interest of the Authority to adopt an adjustment to the connection fee charge implemented for the year 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined that the cost of the connection fee would be \$4,892 per service unit as calculated in the 2016 Sewer Connection Fee Rate Study Update; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority, as follows:

1. The Authority hereby establishes an adjustment to the connection fee of \$4,892 per service unit as calculated in the 2016 Sewer Connection Fee Rate Study Update, effective as of the date of this Resolution, effective May 17, 2016 until amended.

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- 2. The Executive Director is hereby authorized to take any and all steps necessary for the implementation of the adjustment of the connection fee.
- 3. The formal action(s) of the Commissioners of the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority embodied herein are expressly contingent upon and subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:14B-14(b).

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that this is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority upon a roll call vote of all Commissioners of the Authority eligible to vote at a public hearing meeting held on May 17, 2016.

	CHAIRMAN	
SECRETARY		

AS AMENDED:

	Bonagura	Danubio	DaPuzzo	DePhillips	Gabbert	Kasparian	Kelaher	Plumley	Chewcaskie
Offered						✓			
Seconded							√		
Aye	✓	✓	✓			✓	√	✓	✓
Nay									
Absent				✓	√				
Abstain									
Recuse									