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Mayor Paul Jordan
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Re: Administrative Order
Docket No. SDWA-03-2022-0110DS

Dear Mayor Jordan:

On July 21, 2022, the United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 3 (“EPA”) filed an Administrative Order against the City of Williamstown as the owner and/or operator of the Williamstown Water Department public water system (“the System”). The order addressed the requirements of the 2018 America’s Water Infrastructure Act (“AWIA”) (Public Law 115-270). AWIA required public water systems to conduct and submit a certification of their Risk and Resilience Assessment (“RRA”) and to prepare or revise an Emergency Response Plan (“ERP”) by the dates specified in AWIA.

The requirements of AWIA apply to public water systems that serve 3,300 or more people. Although the Safe Drinking Water Information System, through which the states provide EPA information about compliance by the public water systems, included information showing the System as serving over 3,300 people, updated and certified information provided by Williamstown shows that the System is currently serving under 3,300 people. Because the AWIA requirements no longer apply to the System, EPA is withdrawing the administrative order. Although the requirements of AWIA don’t apply, EPA still encourages the System to assess and plan for risks to the System from malevolent acts and natural hazards, the resiliency of the System’s components and the operations and maintenance needs of the System.

If you have any questions pertaining to this matter, please contact Renee Bryant of my staff at (215) 814-2137 or bryant.renee@epa.gov, or have your attorney contact Nina Rivera at (215) 814-2667 or rivera.nina@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Karen Melvin, Director
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cc: EPA Region III Regional Hearing Clerk (R3_Hearing_Clerk@epa.gov)