NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARRISON AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES OF MUNICIPAL CONSENT HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF AQUA NEW JERSEY, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF A MUNICIPAL CONSENT TO PROVIDE WASTEWATER TO A PORTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARRISON, GLOUCESTER COUNTY

BPU DOCKET NO. WE23100730

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, on October 12, 2023, Aqua New Jersey, Inc. ("Aqua" or "Company") filed a petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-14 and N.J.A.C. 14:1-5.5 ("Petition"), and such other applicable regulations and statutes, to approve a municipal consent ordinance ("Ordinance No. 18-2023") granted to Aqua by the Township of Harrison ("Township").

The Township adopted Ordinance No. 18-2023 on September 18, 2023, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:19-20, granting municipal consent to Aqua to maintain, repair, replace, and operate facilities for the purpose of providing wastewater service to a portion of the Township. Aqua already provides wastewater service to Woolwich Township, which is immediately adjacent to the proposed wastewater franchise area in the Township.

NO INCREASE IN RATES WILL RESULT FROM THE PETITION. The proposed franchise area does not have public wastewater service at this time. If the petition is approved, Aqua will provide wastewater service to new developments and any current homes and/or commercial properties who wish to receive wastewater service pursuant to the Company's then-Board-approved wastewater tariffs.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a virtual hearing on the petition has been scheduled for February 20, 2024 at 10:30 a.m., which will be presided over by a hearing officer designated by the Board. Members of the public are invited to listen to the hearing and express their views on the Petition by joining via video conference at the designated date and time at the following link or dial-in number:

Date: February 20, 2024

Time: 10:30 am

<u>Link</u>: https://saul.zoom.us/j/93387832085?pwd=QVZRTmdMTVcwNWFuV1JEK3RsMv80dz09

Dial-In Number: +1 (646) 558-8656 **Meeting ID:** 933 8783 2085

Passcode: 141142

Any comments will be made a part of the final record in this proceeding.

Copies of the petition are available for inspection at the offices of Aqua located at 10 Black Forest Hamilton, Jersev 08691, New on Aqua's or https://www.aquawater.com/ assets/doc/aqua-harrison-petition.pdf. Members of the public are invited to attend the hearing. Written comments may also be submitted to the Honorable Sherri Golden, Secretary of the Board of Public Utilities, 44 South Clinton Avenue, 1st Floor, P.O. Box 350, Trenton, NJ 08625-0350, or via email to board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov. Persons submitting written comments should include Docket No. WE23100730 in their submissions.

A copy of this Notice is being served upon the Clerk of the Township of Harrison. Further information and copies of the Petition may also be obtained at the Board's Offices located at 44 South Clinton Avenue, 1st Floor, Trenton, NJ 08625. Any members of the public who wish to inspect the petition at the Board should contact the Board's Division of Case Management at 609-292-0806 or board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov.

In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for special accommodation at least 72 hours prior to the hearing to Colleen Foley, Esq., Saul Ewing LLP, by phoning 973-286-6711 or emailing Colleen.Foley@Saul.com.

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By: Mark McKoy, Interim President