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June 19, 2019

Ms. Luly Massaro, Clerk Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission 89 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, RI 02888

Re: City of Newport, Utilities Department, Water Division Docket 4933

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Enclosed please find an original and nine copies of:

1. City of Newport, Utilities Division, Water Department's Response to the Town of Middletown's Data Request (Set 2, Request 2-37).

Please also note that an electronic copy of this document has been sent to the service list.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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- MIDD 2-37: [Ref. Testimony Pages 25, lines 17 to 20.] In this paragraph you indicate that since the last case Newport Water has added \$13,374,629 to the cost of all fixed assets. Please list all of these new facilities added since the last case by functional categories and their associated costs. Also describe each major project included in these facilities; provide documentation that explains the need and justification for each such project: and the total installed cost of each. Will any of these facilities not be in use prior to completion of this case? If affirmative, which ones? Will any of these facilities have to be approved by the Commission in this case prior to their inclusion in rate base? If affirmative, which ones? If negative, why not?
- **Response:** Newport Water's addition of \$13,374,629 in fixed assets was the result of adding the value of completed projects and subtracting the value of retired assets.

The value of new assets added in FY16-FY18 is shown in the table below. The costs shown in the table are a combination of costs actually incurred during FY16-FY18 and the booking of assets that were previously included in Construction In Progress.

Functional Category	Cost	
Transmission/Distribution	\$ 5,008,194	Water main replacements as part of ongoing main replacement program
Treatment	\$ 10,747,852	New treatment plant at Lawton Valley and upgrades to Station 1
Storage	\$ 1,264,905	Storage tank repair and painting and new fencing
Supply	\$ 2,123,686	Improvements to intake structures and work on dams
Meters	\$ 286,959	Meter replacements as part of ongoing meter replacement program
Services	\$ 618,844	Service replacements as part of ongoing service replacement program
T&D Pumping	\$ 105,716	Improvements to pump stations
Billing	\$ 203,128	New vehicles for meter readers and repairs to office roof
Fire	\$ 151,333	Hydrant replacements as part of ongoing hydrant replacement program
Total	\$ 20,510,617	

The difference between the \$20,510,617 in project costs and the increase in total asset value of \$13,374,629 is attributable to the retirement of assets at the two treatment plants and the retirement of mains and services replaced by new assets.

All of these projects are currently in use and none of them need to be approved by the Commission.

Prepared by: Harold Smith

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that on June 19, 2019, I sent a copy of the within to all parties set forth on the attached Service List by electronic mail and copies to Luly Massaro, Commission Clerk, by electronic mail and regular mail.

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