

KENTUCKY INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY

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June 5, 2009

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The Honorable Harry Storm, Chairman

Ohio County Water District

Hartford, Kentucky 42347

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## KENTUCKY INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY FEDERALLY ASSISTED DRINKING WATER REVOLVING LOAN FUND CONDITIONAL COMMITMENT LETTER (F08-08) LOAN INCREASE

Dear Mr. Storm:

The Kentucky Infrastructure Authority ("the Authority") commends your efforts to improve public service facilities in your community. Your request to the Authority for a \$2,000,000 increase to Ioan # F08-08 for the new 4MGD Water Treatment Plant was approved by the Authority on June 4, 2009 subject to the conditions below. The amended total cost of the project shall not exceed \$19,698,500 of which the Authority Ioan shall provide \$5,000,000 of the funding. Other anticipated funding for the project is reflected in Attachment A. The final Ioan amount will be equal to the Authority's portion of estimated project cost applied to the actual project cost. Attachment A incorporated herein by reference fully describes the project.

An Assistance Agreement will be executed between the Authority and the Ohio County Water District upon satisfactory performance of the conditions set forth in this letter. A period of six months from the date of this letter (December 5, 2009) will be allowed for you to meet the conditions set forth in this letter and enter into an Assistance Agreement. A one-time extension of up to six months may be granied for applicants that experience extenuating circumstances. Funds will be available for disbursement only after execution of the Assistance Agreement.

The Assistance Agreement and this commitment shall be subject, but not limited to, the following terms:



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- 1. The Authority project loan shall not exceed \$5,000,000.
- 2. The loan shall bear interest at the rate of 1.00% per annum commencing with the first draw of funds.
- 3. The loan shall be repaid over a period not to exceed 20 years from the date the loan is closed.
- 4. Interest shall be payable on the amount of actual funds received. The first payment shall be due on June 1 or December 1 immediately succeeding the date of the initial draw of funds, provided that if such June 1 or December 1 shall be less than three months since the date of the initial draw of funds, then the first interest payment date shall be the June 1 or December 1 which is at least six months from the date of the initial draw of funds. Interest payments will be due each six months thereafter until the loan is repaid.
- 5. Full principal payments will commence on the appropriate June 1 or December 1 within twelve months from initiation of operation. Full payments will be due each six months thereafter until the loan is repaid.
- 6. A loan servicing fee of 0.25% of the annual outstanding loan balance shall be payable to the Authority as a part of each interest payment.
- 7. Loan funds will be disbursed after execution of the Assistance Agreement as project costs are incurred.
- 8. The Authority loan funds must be expended within six months of the official date of initiation of operation.
- 9. Fund "F" loan funds are considered to be federal funds. OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations, requires that all recipients and subrecipients expending \$500,000 or more in a year in federal awards must have a single or program-specific audit conducted for that year in accordance with the Circular. If the federal amount expended plus all other federal funds expended exceeds the threshold, you are required to arrange for an A-133 audit to be performed by an independent, licensed CPA, or in special cases, the Auditor of Public Accounts of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The Authority requires an annual audit to be preformed for the life of the loan.

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The following is a list of the standard conditions to be satisfied prior to execution of the Assistance Agreement or incorporated in the Assistance Agreement. Any required documentation must be submitted to the party designated.

- 1. The Authority to Award (bid) package must be submitted to the Division of Water for approval within 14 days of bid opening.
- 2. The Assistance Agreement must be executed within six (6) months from bid opening.
- 3. The Borrower must agree to expend all Authority loan funds within six months of the date of initiation of operation.
- 4. Documentation of final funding commitments from all parties other than the Authority as reflected in the credit analysis shall be provided prior to preparation of the Assistance Agreement and disbursement of the Ioan monies. Rejections of any anticipated project funding shall be immediately reported and may cause this Ioan to be subject to further consideration.
- 5. The loan must undergo review by the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee of the Kentucky Legislature prior to the state's execution of the Assistance Agreement. The committee meets monthly on the third Tuesday. At this time we know of no further submission required for their review; however, they may request information as needed.
- 6. Any required adjustment in utility service rates shall be adopted by ordinance, municipal order or resolution by the appropriate governing body of the Borrower. Public hearings as required by law shall be held prior to the adoption of the service rate ordinance, order, or resolution. Any required approvals by the Kentucky Public Service Commission shall be obtained.
- 7. All easements or purchases of land shall be completed prior to commencement of construction. Certification of all land or easement acquisitions shall be provided to the Division of Water.
- 8. The Borrower must complete and return to the Authority the attached "Authorization For Electronic Deposit of Vendor Payment" Form.
- 9. The Authority to Award Package documentation shall be submitted to and approved by DOW.

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- 10. An environmental review shall be conducted by the Division of Water for all construction projects receiving DWSRF funds, within the term of this binding commitment and prior to project bid.
- 11. Technical plans and specifications and a complete DWSRF specifications checklist shall be approved by the Division of Water prior to project bid.
- 12. A clear site certificate shall be obtained and DOW representatives shall be notified for attendance of the pre-construction conference.
- 13. Project changes or additions shall require a complete environmental and change order review before they can be included in the DWSRF loan project.

Any special conditions listed below and/or stated in Attachment A must be resolved.

Please inform the Authority of any changes in your financing plan as soon as possible. We wish you every success for this project which will benefit both your community and the Commonwealth as a whole.

Sincerely,

Kasi L. White Financial Analyst

Attachments

 cc: Adam Lister, Green River Area Development District Walt Beasley, Ohio County Water District Dan Shoemaker, Tetra Tech, Inc. Lola Lyle, Division of Water Dirk Bedarff, Peck, Shaffer & Williams LLP State Local Debt Office, Department for Local Government Borrower File - Ohio County Water District - F08-08

Please sign and return a copy of this letter indicating your acceptance of this commitment and its terms. Also attach the completed "Authorization For Electronic Deposit of Vendor Payment" Form.

Accepted