

RESPONSE TO DATA REQUEST 12/4/24

Question #1. Garrison District filed a Request for Disbursement of Water Loss Surcharge Funds on October 10, 2024. Explain the reason for requesting to use water loss surcharge funds in the amount of \$32,070.80 for the purchase and installation of a 5-inch Bypass/Master Meter Set.

Response by Trent Underwood, Manager

1. The Disbursement Request #3 was for a 6 inch bypass/mater meter set. (not 5 inch which was stated in the most recent data request file). It would better be described as a zone meter. As stated in the disbursement request, the purpose of the meter set would be as follows: *This meter would be installed at our tank site and will record a constant flow of 240 of our customers. It also includes our only wholesale and industrial customers. This meter will allow the ability to monitor trends of flow on this large section of line on a daily basis. This is the largest part of our system that is not broken down into smaller sections. It will help determine high usage in a minimal amount of time.*

This item was listed as a need in our Leak Detection Equipment portion of the QIIP. It is mentioned in the first paragraph as a zone meter. A zone meter is essentially a bypass meter. It is a meter for a large portion of a system that is set up with a bypass for meter maintenance and replacement.

Question#2. Explain if Garrison District received or used Cleaner Water grant funds to purchase and install bypass meters. Case No. 2021-00419 a. If so, provide documentation of the cost for the purchase and installation of the bypass meter sets, and the location where each bypass meter was installed. b. If not, explain why. c. Explain whether Garrison District has any remaining Cleaner Water grant funds to utilize for the purchase and installation of a bypass meter set.

Response by Trent Underwood, Manager

2. Yes. The District used cleaner water funds to install 5/8 X 3/4 bypass meter sets on small sections of side lines.

a. Invoices for the bypass meter sets will be attached as EXHIBIT B. The location of the bypass meters in 2023 were on Route 10/Dry Hollow main line, Dry Hollow Road, and Montgomery Road. In 2024 the bypass meter sets were placed at Little Trace Road, Carousel Court Subdivision, and Bentleyville/Route 10.

b. N/A

c. There is not any Cleaner Water funds left for any bypass meter sets. There are four (4) meter sets remaining to be installed. The parts were purchased with Cleaner Water funds and set aside for this purpose.

NOTE: THESE BYPASS METER SETS ARE FOR SMALL SECTIONS OF LINE ONLY. THIS WILL NOT SUPPLY ADEQUATE WATER TO LEAK DETECT ON LARGE SECTIONS OF A SYSTEM LIKE THE ZONE METER WILL.

Question #3. Explain how the use of any water loss surcharge funds for the purchase and installation of a bypass meter set would affect any remaining projects that were outlined in Garrison District's QIIP, and what projects will now be prioritized by Garrison District for the use of any remaining surcharge funds.

Response by Trent Underwood, Manager

3. The use of Water Loss Surcharge funds for the purchase of this bypass/zone meter would not affect the remaining projects that were outlined in the QIIP. It was in the original scope of desired work to be accomplished. This single Bypass/Zone meter will eliminate a great deal of time for leak detection by narrowing down a major section of our system, which is basically not being monitored individually, due to its location on the east side of our tanks.