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RESOLUTION 07-11-11

ADOPTION OF A POLICY GOVERNING THE OWNERSHIP AND MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITY OF INDIVIDUAL GRINDER PUMPS AND FORCE MAINS WHERE EXISTING DWELLINGS SERVED BY ON-LOT SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS ARE MANDATED TO CONNECT TO THE PUBLIC SEWER SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the Peters Township Sanitary Authority, is a municipal corporation organized under the Municipal Authorities Act of 1945, for the purpose of providing a sanitary sewer collection, conveyance, and treatment facilities, and for providing the staffing and financing to operate said facilities,

WHEREAS, the Peters Township Sanitary Authority, from time to time, extends public sewers to existing dwellings served by on-lot sewage disposal systems in order to abate malfunctioning systems, and for other reasons, mandating the property owners to abandon their on-lot systems and connect to the public sewer,

WHEREAS, the Peters Township Sanitary Authority desires to adopt reasonable Rules and Regulations that, among other things, treat its customers in an equitable manner, while making public sewerage service relatively affordable,

WHEREAS, providing gravity sewer service to all properties under all conditions is not always feasible or practical, and methods and procedures require development to consider alternatives to gravity sewer service including the use of individual grinder pumps connected to common force mains, and provide for the maintenance of such equipment,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Peters Township Sanitary Authority hereby adopts the following resolution:

Where the Peters Township Sanitary Authority's Consulting Engineer determines that gravity sewer service to existing dwellings served by on-lot disposal systems is infeasible due to excessive costs, excessive depths, terrain or floodplain concerns, or other determining factors, and the use of individual grinder pumps and force mains can satisfactorily address the concerns, and thereby the grinder pump and force main become a substitute for a public sewer, then in such case the Peters Township Sanitary Authority shall retain ownership and maintenance responsibility of the grinder pump and force main, which shall be located in a sanitary sewer easement for ingress, egress, and maintenance and replacement purposes. Maintenance and replacement costs associated with ordinary wear and tear shall be borne by the Authority. Maintenance and replacement costs caused by tampering, misuse, abuse or improper operation shall be charged to the property owner.

The property owner served shall be responsible for providing power to operate the pump and the cost of said power, and shall enter into a service agreement with the Peters Township Sanitary Authority pertaining to duties and responsibilities.

Each property owner has a duty to preclude materials that can cause premature failure and damage to the grinder pump units. Discharge of these materials to the grinder pump constitutes misuse by the property owner/operator. These materials include, but are not limited to, garbage that is not properly shredded garbage, glass, diapers, metal, plastic objects, seafood shells, golf balls, hard objects, sanitary napkins or tampons, explosives, strong chemicals (paints and solvents), gasoline, flammable material, lubricating oil and/or grease, and any other substance prohibited by Local, State or Federal law or regulation.

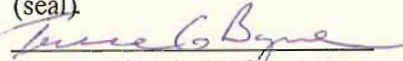
All other uses and applications of grinder pumps in the Peters Township Sanitary Authority sewer system other than identified within, including but not limited to private developer extensions, shall expressly continue to require the ownership and maintenance responsibility of the grinder pump and individual force main to remain with the property owner and their heirs and assigns.

The effective date of this resolution shall be January 1, 2012.

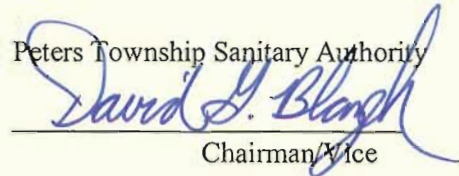
All other resolutions and parts thereof which are conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Enacted this 29 day of November, 2011.

Attest:
(seal)


Secretary/Assistant Secretary
Chairman

Peters Township Sanitary Authority


Chairman/Vice