Representative Policy Board South Central Connecticut Regional Water District Consumer Affairs Committee

Minutes of the October 17, 2022 Meeting

The regular meeting of the Consumer Affairs Committee ("CAC") of the Representative Policy Board of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District ("RPB") took place on Monday, October 17, 2022, via remote access. **Committee members present**: S. Mongillo, N. Campbell, M. Levine, A. Rescigno, and R. Smith.

Committee members absent: F. Pepe

Authority: C. LaMarr

RWA: L. Bingaman, R. Kowalski, J. Hill, D. Bochan, and L. Marcik

Office of Consumer Affairs: Attorney Donofrio ("OCA")

RPB Staff: J. Slubowski

Chairman Mongillo called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. He reviewed the Safety Moment distributed to members.

On motion made by Ms. Campbell, and seconded by Mr. Smith, the committee voted to approve the minutes of its September 19, 2022 meeting, as presented.

Mr. Marcik, the RWA's Capital Program Lead, provided a Whitney Dam update, which included:

- Historical background and purpose
- Impact area
- Project status & requirements
- Early contractor involvement (ECI) & advantages
- Anticipated preliminary schedule
- Design alternatives

The committee members discussed the ECI selection process and project status, excluding details of design or construction.

At 6:01 p.m., Mr. Marcik withdrew from the meeting.

Atty. Donofrio, OCA, reported on one consumer billing matter. An RWA customer reported a bill for 72 hours of continuous use at a vacant property. The RWA escalated the matter to the OCA on October 6, 2022. Atty. Donofrio contacted the customer to schedule a call to discuss details. He will report to the committee next month.

Representative Policy Board Consumer Affairs Committee October 17, 2022

In response to the committee's questions related to ECI, Atty. Donofrio directed members to his memorandum issued to the Representative Policy Board related to the public hearing for the Lake Whitney Dam Design Project Phase 1 and his testimony in favor of the RWA's procurement process for ECI for the project.

On motion made by Mr. Rescigno, seconded by Mr. Levine, and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the OCA's September 2022 billing of \$1,795.00.

The next regular meeting is on Monday, November 21, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

Mr. Levine reported on a fire in Bethany located in an area of RWA watershed property. The town has turned to outside services, such as the Town of Woodbridge, for assistance in fighting the fire. Ms. Kowalski, the RWA's Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, stated that the RWA is aware of the issue and is looking into applicable charges associated with private public hydrant use.

Chair Mongillo reported on a recent visit to Lake Chamberlain. He noted that the spillway level is still low post-drought.

At 6:21 p.m., on motion made by Mr. Levine, seconded by Ms. Campbell, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned.

Stephen Mongillo, Chairman	