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March 13, 2025

Empire State Development

625 Broadway
Albany, NY 12245

Re: Support for the Town of Oneonta's Empire State Development Grant

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for the Town of Oneonta's efforts to address critical infrastructure challenges in the Woodland Water District. The district has faced significant age-related infrastructure failures, resulting in many residents experiencing brown and sedimented drinking water. This issue has highlighted the urgent need for a complete overhaul of the aging water supply lines to ensure the health and safety of the community.

The Town has been actively engaged with NYS Rural Water, as well as consulting with two engineering firms, to assess the best course of action for both short- and long-term solutions. The preliminary engineering report suggests that a full replacement of the transite supply lines is necessary, with an estimated cost of \$5.5 million. This replacement would not only ensure the provision of clean and safe drinking water for the 152 households currently served by the Woodland Water District but also present a significant opportunity to upsize the lines. This upgrade would allow for future expansion, including the potential to extend water service to St. James Manor and residents on Hemlock Road, many of whom have faced quality issues with their private wells. Additionally, a petition has been signed and submitted by residents of Hemlock Road requesting municipal water.

The Town is committed to addressing these issues and has applied for a \$1 million Empire State Development grant through Otsego County to support this project. Furthermore, the Town is working with the Senate Appropriations Committee to amend a previously awarded \$4.2 million earmark to help fund the necessary infrastructure improvements. The successful completion of this project not only provides critical upgrades but also facilitates future housing development, bolstering an essential element for continued growth in the area, with developers already expressing interest in it.

Thank you for your consideration. Please reach out to my office should you have any further questions regarding my support.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter Oberacker".

PETER OBERACKER
State Senator, 51st District



Office of Assemblyman
BRIAN D. MILLER
122nd Assembly District

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March 18, 2025

Empire State Development
Mohawk Valley Region
207 Genesee St.
Utica, NY 13501

Dear Co-Chairs Gilroy and Terenzio,

I am writing in strong support of the Town of Oneonta's application for a \$1 million Empire State Development County Infrastructure Grant to assist in the replacement of the aging transite supply lines in the Woodland Water District. This critical infrastructure project will ensure the delivery of clean and safe drinking water to 152 homes while also laying the foundation for future economic and residential growth in the area.

The current water infrastructure has experienced significant age-related failures, resulting in brown and sedimented drinking water for residents. The Town has taken proactive steps, working with NYS Rural Water and consulting engineering firms to determine the best course of action. Unfortunately, engineering assessments have determined that a full replacement of the water lines is necessary, with an estimated project cost of \$5.5 million. This project is essential not only to address immediate water quality concerns but also to expand and modernize the district's water capacity.

By upsizing the supply lines, this project will support future development opportunities, including the potential expansion of St. James Manor and the ability to provide municipal water to residents of Hemlock Road, who have long faced well-related water issues. Additionally, the improved infrastructure will enhance the Town's ability to accommodate new housing development, an essential factor in the region's long-term economic sustainability.

It is for these reasons that I support this application. This investment will not only resolve a significant public health and safety concern but also create new opportunities for residential and economic growth in the Town of Oneonta.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please do not hesitate to reach out to my office should you require any additional information.

Respectfully,

Assemblymember Brian Miller
NYS Assembly District 122



March 26, 2025

Empire State Development
625 Broadway
Albany NY 12245

To whom it may concern:

Otsego Now supports Otsego County's application for a County Infrastructure Grant to improve the Town of Oneonta's Woodland Water District. This project will make necessary replacements to asbestos cement and PVC piping in the water district, as well as extend the water district to support new housing.

Otsego County's 2024 Housing Needs Assessment demonstrated a decrease in housing units in the County, as well as challenges for availability, quality, and affordability of existing housing. By improving infrastructure to better support existing housing, while also supporting the creation of new housing, this project will help to address these needs.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jody Zakrevsky', is written over a faint, light blue circular stamp.

Jody Zakrevsky
Chief Executive Officer

| Woodland Water District | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----|----------------------|----------------|----------------------------|--|
| Account Number | Owner | # | Street | Complaint Date | Water Quality | |
| WW0002 | Temann, Joseph and Faith | 110 | County Hwy 88 | | | |
| WW0003 | St. James Retirement Comm | 9 | St. James Place | | | |
| WW0004 | St. James Retirement Comm | 9 | St. James Place | | | |
| WW0007 | St. James Retirement Comm | 22 | St. James Place | | | |
| WW0008 | St. James Retirement Comm | 24 | St. James Place | | | |
| WW0009 | St. James Retirement Comm | 32 | St. James Place | 1/16/2025 | Andy Minnesota Maintenance | |
| WW0010 | St. James Retirement Comm | 35 | St. James Place | | | |
| WW0011 | St. James Retirement Comm | 28 | St. James Place | | | |
| WW0012 | St. James Retirement Comm | 28 | St. James Place | | | |
| WW0013 | St. James Retirement Comm | 18 | St. James Place | | | |
| WW0014 | St. James Retirement Comm | 20 | St. James Place | | | |
| WW0046 | Hagerah, Jane | 6 | County Hwy 47 (off) | | | |
| WW0050 | Roberson, David II | 6 | Co. Hwy. 47 (off) | | | |
| WW0049 | Calkin, Fenton and Marilyn | 170 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0046 | Scott, Hugh and Barbara | 176 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0047 | Chan, Shuk King | 189 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0046 | Chass, Jonathan | 186 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0016 | Sallucci, Julie | 254 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0016 | Keagy, Eugene and Melissa | 210 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0019 | Allison, Donald Jr. | 228 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0020 | Streamline Breweries, LLC | 232 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0021 | Kamrany, Dave | 238 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0022 | Herring, Lawrence and Laura | 242 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0023 | Lowe, Ernie | 254 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0024 | Fritz, Randall | 252 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0124 | Hymers, Inez Brach | 268 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0125 | Keis, Christine | 272 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0126 | Can, George | 278 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0127 | Rowe, Scott and Verdis | 282 | County Hwy 47 | | | |
| WW0053 | Macomber, Douglas and Cindy | 0 | Angel Drive (off) | | | |
| WW0076 | Di Donna, Christopher | 0 | Angel Drive (off) | | | |
| WW0083 | Carl, Mark and Mary | 104 | Angel Drive | Ongoing | Very Brown Water | |
| WW0082 | Goodrich, Matthew | 104 | Angel Drive | | | |
| WW0082 | Huber, John and Catherine | 104 | Angel Drive | | | |
| WW0083 | Angel, Steve | 114 | Angel Drive | 2/24/2025 | Brown Water | |
| WW0084 | Chard, Adam | 114 | Angel Drive | | | |
| WW0086 | Ernie, William and Lori | 114 | Angel Drive | 8/24/2024 | Brown Water | |
| WW0086 | Felton, Benjamin and Melissa | 124 | Angel Drive | | | |
| WW0087 | Holmes, Richard and Amanda | 124 | Angel Drive | | | |
| WW0077 | Allen, Samuel and Myung | 131 | Angel Drive | | | |
| WW0088 | Dweeney, Kevin and Cindy | 137 | Angel Drive | | | |
| WW0078 | Nichols, Timothy and Bonnie | 136 | Angel Drive | | | |
| WW0089 | Ward, Thomas and Julie | 136 | Angel Drive | 11/21/2024 | Brown Water | |
| WW0072 | Jennings, Blaine and Pamela | 0 | Central Drive (off) | | | |
| WW0058 | Chan House, Mew Kuan | 106 | Central Drive | | | |
| WW0073 | Jennings, Blaine and Pamela | 111 | Central Drive | | | |
| WW0057 | Tugo, Napoleon and Bernadette | 112 | Central Drive | | | |
| WW0074 | Moore, John and Donna | 117 | Central Drive | | | |
| WW0056 | Scoble, Robert and Christine | 118 | Central Drive | | | |
| WW0055 | Roberson, David II | 120 | Central Drive | | | |
| WW0075 | Di Donna, Christopher | 126 | Central Drive | | | |
| WW0054 | Macomber, Douglas and Cindy | 126 | Central Drive | 3/9/2025 | Brown Water | |
| WW0097 | Zawiska, Ed | 101 | Ridge Drive | | | |
| WW0068 | Tessitore, Douglas | 102 | Ridge Drive | | | |
| WW0066 | Anderson, Arag, Robert and Margaret | 107 | Ridge Drive | | | |
| WW0081 | Bonilla, Angel and Soraya | 110 | Ridge Drive | | | |
| WW0080 | Bertoli, Jaci | 116 | Ridge Drive | | | |
| WW0084 | Carl, Mark and Mary | 114 | Ridge Drive | 3/19/2025 | Brown Water | |
| WW0079 | Danielson, Dianne and Keith | 120 | Ridge Drive | | | |
| WW0093 | Verrill, James and Kathleen | 123 | Ridge Drive | | | |
| WW0089 | Lafu, Jeffrey and Cynthia | 127 | Ridge Drive | | | |
| WW0081 | Holmes, Richard and Amanda | 131 | Ridge Drive | | | |
| WW0090 | Mervin, Arthur | 137 | Ridge Drive | | | |
| WW0096 | Anderson, Arag, Robert and Margaret | 0 | Ridge Drive (off) | | | |
| WW0041 | Hagerah, Jane | 6 | Park Dr (off) | | | |
| WW0044 | Melone, Barbara | 107 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW0059 | Hubert, Randy and Stephanie | 110 | Park Drive | 2/25/2025 | Brown Water | |
| WW0080 | Melice, Kenneth and Marian | 114 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW0071 | Cotter, Alan Brady | 114 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW0081 | Song, Ying Lun | 117 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW0070 | Zimmer, Terry and Joy | 120 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW0062 | Matus, Yvonne | 121 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW0063 | Terriquez, Kasey, Laura | 125 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW0069 | Bonitzler, Jessica | 126 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW0064 | Yost, Charles | 131 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW0065 | Cunningham, Flora | 135 | Park Drive | 2/6/2025 | 643-2228 Brown Water | |
| WW0086 | Hartley, Gregory and Karen | 139 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW0068 | Thibault, Robert | 142 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW0067 | Myers, Richard and LouAnn | 143 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW0099 | Snyder, Kimberly | 146 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW0081 | Cardwell, Carl and Michele | 148 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW00100 | Dwyer, Sean | 150 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW0001 | Rab, Mary | 153 | Park Drive | | | |
| WW0018 | Preddy, David and Enka | 101 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0017 | Johnson, Denise and Dennis | 104 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0066 | Woodschwend, Scott and Anne | 107 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0037 | Bussell, John | 108 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0038 | Brown, Larry and Renee | 112 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0035 | Keasler, Mirco | 115 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0039 | Babbitt, Paul and Sue | 116 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0040 | Reilinger, Ken | 120 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0034 | Washburn, Charles and Patricia | 121 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0041 | Merton, Michael | 126 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0033 | Price, William | 129 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0042 | Burshaw, Steven | 130 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0102 | Simmons, Steve | 138 | Collins Drive | 1/17/2025 | 435-1825 Brown Water | |
| WW0114 | Meschut, Lisa | 139 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0103 | Haman, Terry | 144 | Collins Drive | 1/24/2025 | 435-6190 Brown Water | |
| WW0113 | Hoffman, Nicholas and Kaitlyn | 145 | Collins Drive | 1/28/2025 | 437-1572 Brown Water | |
| WW0104 | Tobiasen, Bert | 148 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0112 | Shaw, John | 151 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0106 | Copper, Marcus and Nancy | 156 | Collins Drive | | | |
| WW0021 | Washburn, Gary | 101 | Middle Court | | | |
| WW0027 | King, Mary | 102 | Middle Court | | | |
| WW0030 | Ericson, Mark | 109 | Middle Court | | | |
| WW0028 | Callahan, Steven | 110 | Middle Court | | | |
| WW0020 | Johnson, Eric and Bonnie | 111 | Middle Court | | | |
| WW0111 | Newton, Gary and Cheryl | 104 | Valley Street | 1/24/2025 | 433-2248 Brown Water | |
| WW0106 | Spataro, Barbara | 110 | Valley Street | | | |
| WW0107 | Calabrese Johnson, Dinetra | 109 | Valley Street | | | |
| WW0108 | Japen, Andrea | 105 | Valley Street | 1/23/2025 | 607-433-2527 Brown Water | |
| WW0109 | Falmatter, Jacob | 101 | Valley Street | | | |
| WW0115 | Ehrets, Ruth | 124 | Blackberry Drive | | | |
| WW0032 | Banschard, Dallas | 126 | Blackberry Drive | | | |
| WW0116 | Camp, Jason | 130 | Blackberry Drive | | | |
| WW0117 | Miler, Edward and Nancy | 142 | Blackberry Drive | | | |
| WW0121 | Thor, Gobins | 0 | Woodland Drive (off) | | | |
| WW0123 | Ligon, Norman and Stagnan | 0 | Woodland Drive | | | |
| WW0025 | Dresser, Steven and Patricia | 102 | Woodland Drive | Ongoing | Brown Water | |
| WW0026 | Parsons, Thomas | 104 | Woodland Drive | | | |
| WW0026 | Jain, Stephen | 104 | Woodland Drive | | | |
| WW00120 | Gaur, Gulab | 109 | Woodland Drive | | | |
| WW00119 | Brandt, David | 117 | Woodland Drive | | | |
| WW0118 | Mull, Warren | 120 | Woodland Drive | | | |
| WW00110 | Ryer, Kim and David | 126 | Woodland Drive | | | |
| WW0128 | Nelson, Keith | 104 | Morningside Drive | | | |
| WW0129 | Jacobs, Michael and Angela | 110 | Morningside Drive | | | |
| WW0130 | Whitby, Barbara | 114 | Morningside Drive | 3/19/2025 | Brown Water | |
| WW00131 | Melone, Eugene and Bonnie Sue | 116 | Morningside Drive | | | |
| WW00132 | Wallinger, William and Deborah | 122 | Morningside Drive | | | |
| WW00133 | Bellinger, Michele J. | 126 | Morningside Drive | | | |
| WW00134 | Morningside, Katherine and Ken | 132 | Morningside Drive | | | |
| WW0006 | Hostling, Crystal | 137 | Morningside Drive | | | |
| WW00136 | Talbot, Benck and Martin | 147 | Morningside Drive | | | |
| WW0135 | Mason, Mike and Tony | 148 | Morningside Drive | | | |
| WW0137 | Brown, Charles and Barbara | 154 | Morningside Drive | 11/1/2024 | Brown Water | |
| WW0006 | Newton, Daniel and Dolores | 157 | Morningside Drive | | | |
| WW00138 | Heider, Robert Jr. and Cheryl | 164 | Morningside Drive | | | |

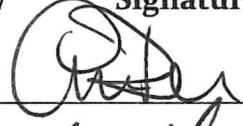
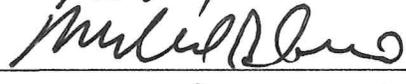
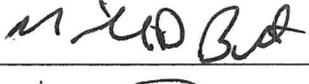
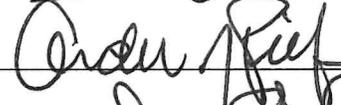
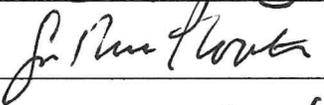
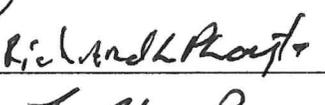
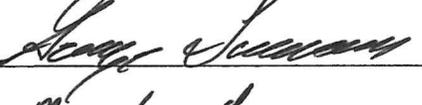
PETITION FOR WATER EXPANSION

We the residents of Hemlock Road (AKA County Highway 58), Town of Oneonta, NY, are respectfully requesting that the Town Board explore the possibility of an expansion of the current Woodland Water District out to us.

We are making this request due to poor water quality and capacity and realize and understand that there would be a cost associated with this project should it move forward. However, due to the poor water quality and capacity that is here now, we feel that this is a necessary service to improve our quality of life, public health, and public safety. One resident has offered to provide \$30,000 upfront funds to help get this project moving forward should it take place in the next year or two to be reimbursed as Hemlock Road residents sign on. He has spoken to our Town Supervisor in regard to his offer.

Thank you for your consideration of this project. We hope you accept this Petition on behalf of the residents to look into this project further.

| County Highway Number | Written Name | Signature | Date |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------|
| 162 | Patricia L. Odell | Patricia L. Odell | 8-5-24 |
| 153 | David Kropp | David Kropp | 8-5-24 |
| 154 | Leah Long | Leah Long | 8-7-24 |
| 154 | Shane Long | Shane Long | 8/7/24 |
| 148 | Laura Downie | Laura E. Downie | 8.16.24 |
| 158 | ALAN HUGHES | Alan M. Hughes | 8/16/24 |
| 142 | Rabekah Abdallah | RAbdallah | 8/16/24 |
| 137 | GARY ERICK | Gary Erick | 8-16-24 |
| 142 | Hilmi Abdallah | Hilmi Abdallah | 8-18-24 |
| 172 | James Cummings | James Cummings | 8/19/24 |
| 172 | Maria Favaron | Maria Favaron | 8/19/24 |
| 169 | NANCY HEFFERNAN | Nancy Heffernan | 8/19/24 |

| County Highway Number | Written Name | Signature | Date |
|-----------------------|-------------------|--|------------|
| 103 | Meaghan Remillard |  | 8/19/2024 |
| 163 | Adam Remillard |  | 8/19/24 |
| 148 | Michael Downie |  | 8/19/24 |
| 182 | MICHAEL D BUTLER |  | 8/19/24 |
| 182 | Kelly Ann Butler |  | 08/19/2024 |
| 185 | Dana Love |  | 8.19.2024 |
| 223 | Andrew Piefer |  | 8/19/2024 |
| 233 | Sharon Foster |  | 8/19/2024 |
| 313 | Cindy Houtz |  | 8/19/2024 |
| 313 | Richard J Peay |  | 8/19/24 |
| 380 | FRANK RUMENAPP |  | 8/19/24 |
| 400 | BEN FRIEDEL |  | 8/19/24 |
| 136 | Pamela Frutiger |  | 8/20/24 |
| 211 | KAREN LITTLE |  | 8/20/24 |
| 223 | George Tiemann |  | 8/21/24 |
| 223 | Marsla Tiemann |  | 8/21/24 |