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NWWA Customers - Upper Dublin Township

From: Robert C. Bender, NWWA Executive Director

Date: May 6, 2024

Re:

Upper Dublin Twp Zoning Hearing of May 20, 2024 - 7:30 p.m.

Dear Customers,

You may have recently received a NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING providing some information about our upcoming zoning hearing on May 20. At that time, we will request approval to construct an addition to our existing water well station at 868 Bell Lane, Maple Glen.

This memorandum will provide important information about our request and explain why this approval is needed to install a state-of-the-art water filtration system required to deliver safe and clean drinking water to the community.

Some important facts:

- 1. We will periodically add materials to this folder over the next few weeks before the hearing. We encourage you to check in from time to time for updates.
- 2. The reason for our planned improvement and addition to the pump station is related to the problem with PFAS contamination within local aquifers. While your water meets all current EPA and PaDEP drinking water standards, those agencies permit low levels of PFAS in drinking water. However, we believe that our customers deserve better, so our objective is to provide the highest quality water possible, hence our plan to add new filters.
- 3. The equipment we intend to install will cost us about 1.5 Million Dollars, demonstrating our commitment to the community and our customers.
- 4. Anticipating community concerns, we will design the building so that the architectural style complements the neighborhood, with many elements typical of a single-family home and NOT a typical utility or industrial structure. We are prepared to guarantee this construction and exterior by written agreement.
- 5. The filters we intend to install do NOT require additional pumps or noise-producing elements. The water passes through the filters after leaving the regular pumps.



6. Unlike systems installed by many other authorities, our filter system will be enclosed and not visible from any neighboring properties.

7. Once installed, the new filters will not require or create additional traffic or trips to the site.

We will check and service the filters as part of our routine pump station maintenance route, which has existed for many years. During construction, we will adhere to all township rules

related to noise control and hours of operation.

8. The building lot will be landscaped and buffered, and we will attempt to incorporate the

typical landscaping of the neighborhood. Drawings will be presented at the hearing and

made part of the permanent record.

9. Operation of the filters will not generate any trash storage at the site. As we do with all

pump stations, our technicians will remove any materials requiring disposal with each visit

to the site. Also, no additional parking spaces will be required.

10. We will not need special outdoor lighting, and all lighting installed will replicate that of a

residential home. We will install motion-activated security cameras but no exterior alarms

for security.

11. How does this project benefit the customers? Primarily by providing the highest quality

water possible for your families. Also, by installing this equipment, we will not need to consider closing the well station, thereby providing continued safe and clean water for

drinking and a continued emergency supply of water at pressures suitable for hydrants and

firefighting purposes.

Representatives of the NWWA and several consultants will be available at the hearing to fully

explain the project, provide sworn testimony, and answer any questions you may have.

Meanwhile, we urge you to check this website for information and to call us at 215-699-4836 if

you wish to speak with one of our customer service representatives or a water quality expert.

Respectfully,

North Wales Water Authority,

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Robert C. Bender

Executive Director