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Honorable Irene Kim Asbury  
Secretary of the Board  
New Jersey Board of Public Utilities  
44 South Clinton Avenue  
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Trenton, NJ 08625-0350

Re: In the Matter of Middlesex Water Company for Approval of an Increase in its Rates for Water Service and Other Tariff Changes and for an Order Authorizing Special Accounting Treatment of Income Tax Refund Proceeds and Future Income Tax Deductions  
BPU Docket No. WR17101049

Dear Secretary Asbury:

The undersigned represents the Petitioner, Middlesex Water Company, in the above-referenced matter. Petitioner understands that the Board of Public Utilities will consider the first Suspension Order in the above-captioned matter at its November 21, 2017 public agenda session. Given this schedule, Petitioner hereby agrees that it will not implement rates on an interim basis prior to the effective date of the Board's Suspension Order resulting from that November 21, 2017 meeting.

The Company in no way waives its right to implement the proposed rates at the conclusion of the eight month suspension period on July 13, 2018 should the Board not issue a final Decision and Order by that date. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Jay L. Kooper  
Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary

cc: A. Bruce O'Connor  
Attached Service List (via electronic mail) ✓

Case Mgmt

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