

November 19, 2024

Honorable Sherri Golden Secretary of the Board New Jersey Board of Public Utilities 44 South Clinton Avenue, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor Trenton, NJ 08625-0350

Re: In the Matter of the Petition of Middlesex Water Company for Approval of a Foundational Filing For Establishing a Distribution System Improvement Charge

BPU Docket No. WR23050288

Dear Secretary Golden:

Following up on the Company's October 10, 2024 correspondence in the above-referenced matter pertaining to the Company's Distribution System Improvement Charge ("DSIC") calculation for the April 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024 DSIC recovery period, and in accordance with N.J.A.C. 14:9-10.4(b)(5), Middlesex Water Company ("Middlesex" or "the Company") requests that the following three DSIC-eligible projects be substituted for ones previously approved by the Board in the above-referenced matter for the April 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024 DSIC recovery period for the reasons further disclosed in each project description:

**Project 01P-2019-316 Metuchen Ave Main Replacement** – This project (replacement of 111 linear feel of 8-inch main, 594 linear feet of 12-inch main, 8 services and 1 hydrant) was included as a "Current Project" in the Company's 2023 Base Rate Case (BPU Docket No. WR23050292) and was placed into service during that case. After completion, the as-built records were entered into the Company's GIS system. The labor to perform the as-built updates was charged during the above-referenced DSIC recovery period.

**Project 01P-21-311 Ridgedale Ave Main Replacement** – This project (replacement of 3,905 linear feet of 8" main with 92 services and 9 hydrants) was included as a "Completed Project" in the Company's 2023 Base Rate Case and was placed into service with restoration occurring in summer of 2023. As part of this project, a Middlesex County road opening permit was secured. The County refunds the unspent inspection escrow after the project completion. For this project, the un-refunded portion was charged to the project during the above-referenced DSIC recovery period.

**Project 01P-22-301 RENEW 2022 (Iselin)** – This project (replacement of 24,800 linear feet of main of various diameters, 615 services and 21 hydrants) was included as a "Current Project" in the Company's 2023 Base Rate Case and was partially put in service during that case. After completion, the as-built records were entered into the GIS system. The labor to perform the as-built updates was charged during the above-referenced DISC recovery period

The Company appreciates the Board's and the New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel's consideration of inclusion of these projects in the April 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024 DSIC recovery period for the abovestate reasons. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Amy Lam

Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary

Service List cc: