



Dear friends,

I am writing to ensure that you and your family are aware of the referendum this Election Day asking voters to approve the transfer of ownership of Long Hill's sewer system to New Jersey American Water. As you may know, the Committee in Long Hill recently passed an ordinance to put this important decision to a vote this November.

New Jersey American Water has been proudly providing Long Hill families with clean, safe and reliable drinking water for over 110 years. We have invested more than \$6.5 million, or \$2,000 per household, in the last five years alone to upgrade your water supply infrastructure.

Supporting the referendum and expanding this already successful partnership between Long Hill and New Jersey American Water will help **keep sewer rates stable and affordable**. New Jersey American Water will freeze sewer rates for the first three years of a five-year binding plan. Thereafter, under that five-year binding rate plan, the average annual bill will increase by no more than \$75 (or 3% annually).

If voters reject the referendum, the Township will be forced to decide between immediately doubling sewer rates and incurring additional costly debt to finance the known critical improvements recommended by their professional engineering firm. Regardless of the path chosen by the Township, in both the short and long terms, New Jersey American Water's plan will mean substantially **lower, more stable rates for Long Hill residents**.

The expanded partnership will also allow for **critical infrastructure investments** into the community and provide **\$11 million to stabilize local taxes** by paying down a substantial portion of Long Hill's debt. If the referendum is approved on November 7th, New Jersey American Water will not only implement critical capital improvements to the system, we will take on the **burden of meeting mandated Department of Environmental Protection guidelines**.

To learn more about our commitment to Long Hill families and for more information on the upcoming referendum please visit Longhillsewerfacts.com. Visiting us online will allow you to access information and ask us questions. If you prefer, you can join us at one of our Town Hall meetings at the municipal building:

Tuesday, September 12 at 6 PM
Saturday, October 7 at 2 PM

Tuesday, October 17 at 2 PM
Monday, October 30 at 10 AM

As your long-time water provider, you already know that you can count on us and we are looking forward to the possibility of expanding our partnership with you and the Long Hill community.

Sincerely,

Robert MacLean
President, New Jersey American Water



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What Does the Sewer Referendum Mean for Long Hill?

Expanding this already successful partnership between Long Hill and New Jersey American Water will help **keep sewer rates stable and affordable** for residents while also allowing for **critical infrastructure investments** into the community and providing **\$11 million to stabilize local taxes** by paying down a substantial portion of Long Hill's debt.

To learn more or to ask questions you can visit us online at www.LongHillSewerFacts.com or at one of the four upcoming town halls that will be held at the Long Hill Municipal Building.

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