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Subject: Charlotte Water Notice of Intent to Request Increase to Interbasin Transfer Certificate

Charlotte Water respectfully submits this correspondence as our Notice of Intent (NOI) to submit a request to the Environmental Management Commission (EMC) to modify our existing Interbasin Transfer (IBT) Certificate dated 2002. Our projections of future water needs indicate that approval of an increased IBT will be needed soon, and we are beginning the process to meet that need. We are refining the projections and will provide them as part of future correspondence. This request also includes a change from a maximum day basis to a maximum month basis is requested to be consistent with the current statute and regulations. As required by the December 3, 2010, Settlement Agreement between North Carolina and South Carolina, Charlotte Water will prepare a state Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in support of its application to the EMC. We will work closely with the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ) throughout that process. The IBT rate will be refined during that process.

Charlotte Water is a regional leader in water resource management - extending its impact beyond Mecklenburg County, delivering essential water and sewer services to the region. We also actively collaborate with regional partners to ensure the sustainable management and preservation of water resources.

Charlotte is rapidly growing metropolitan area, and the service areas contributing most to the IBT, such as the Mallard Creek basin, are growing at an even faster rate. To address the growing need for water and wastewater services, Charlotte Water engages in long-term planning and water infrastructure development. Charlotte Water has been in the process of planning for water and wastewater infrastructure in these areas over the past few years and has been refining its estimates of the required IBT rate to meet these growing needs.

Charlotte Water has reviewed the statutory requirements at §143-215.22L and we are committed to following the required process and working cooperatively with the NCDEQ and the EMC throughout the process.



We appreciate your time and consideration of this notice. Should you have any questions or comments, please go to this website: bit.ly/cltwaterIBT

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Angela Charles".

Angela Charles, Director
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