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June 27, 2018

Ms. Lory Parks

Re: Public Comment – Drainage Charge

Dear Ms. Parks:

Please accept this letter as a follow-up to your concern addressed to the City of Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) at a previous outreach meeting. In your comment, you expressed concern regarding the Drainage Charge.

The drainage charge is based on the amount of hard (impervious) surfaces on your property. Since 1975, most DWSD customers have been paying for drainage as part of their sewer bill. DWSD restructured drainage charge program to ensure all city parcels are equally billed for their share of the cost of service to manage wet weather. The drainage charge includes the debt associated with constructed infrastructure and the annual revenue required of \$150 million dollars per year to operate and maintain these combined sewer overflow facilities.

All residential properties will receive an automatic green credit of approximately 25% on their bill based on the unique characteristics associated with their property.

Thank you for your comment. If you should have further questions, please call our Customer Care Center at 313-267-8000 option 6.

Respectfully,

Lisa Wallick

Lisa Wallick, P.E. Stormwater Management Group Program Manager

cc: Honorable Board of Water Commissioners