State of Vermont Agency of Natural Resources Department of Environmental Conservation Notice of Determination of Eligibility for Categorical Exclusion

Chester Water Department Water System, WSID #5318 Chester, VT Sewer Plant Rd Water System Improvements DWSRF Loan RF3-324

In accordance with Section VII of the Department's Environmental Review Procedures for projects funded through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program, the Chester Water Department Water System, located in the Town of Chester, VT has requested its proposed water improvement project be evaluated for eligibility for a categorical exclusion exempting the project from detailed environmental procedures required for projects having a significant environmental impact.

The project consists of the replacement of approximately 490 linear feet of 1.5" diameter PVC water line with 490 linear feet of 8" diameter pipe on Sewer Plant Rd.

Our consideration of the Town of Chester's request included reviewing environmental information and documentation completed and submitted by their engineering consultant, Dufresne Group. At the completion of this independent evaluation, the Department has determined the project meets the criteria for receiving a Categorical Exclusion. The project will correct water system deficiencies and does not meet any of the criteria resulting in denial of an Exclusion.

Further information on the project and this determination are available for inspection by contacting the DWSRF Program at (802) 585-4904. In addition to the applicant, a copy of this determination will be sent to a list of stakeholders and posted on the Facility Engineering Division's <u>Environmental Review Determination Notice</u> page within five business days of notice.

Agency of Natural Resources Department of Environmental Conservation Emily Boedecker, Commissioner

Eric Blatt, P.E., Director Facilities Engineering Division

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Dated in Montpelier, Vermont this <u>1st</u> day of <u>November</u>, 2017