

Representative Policy Board
South Central Connecticut Regional Water District
90 Sargent Drive, New Haven
and
Via Remote Access**

Regular Meeting of Thursday, July 27, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

- I Safety Moment
 - II Public Comment: The time limit granted to each speaker shall be three (3) minutes. Residents and customers may address the Board.
 - III Approval of Minutes – June 22, 2023 meeting
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 - B. Standing Committee Appointments
 - C. RPB Quarterly Dashboard Update
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 - A. Final Decision, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the Representative Policy Board for the Authority's Application for approval of the Derby Wellfield Chemical Improvements Project
 - B. Land Use Committee's recommendation regarding completeness, mode and date of public hearing date for the Authority's Applications for the disposition of:
 - 1. 17.22 acres located west of Beech Street in North Branford that is part of Land Unit NB 4
 - 2. 19.462 acres located north of Poms Lane in North Branford that is part of Land Unit NB 4
 - C. Representative Policy Board Second Quarter 2023 Compensation
 - VI Reports
 - A. Finance Committee
 - B. Land Use Committee
 - C. Consumer Affairs Committee
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 - VII Adjourn
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7:00 **PUBLIC HEARING** – Authority's Application for approval to purchase assets of Target Two, a Confidential Plumbing Company

<p>**Members of the public may attend the meeting in person or via conference call. For information on attending the meeting and to view meeting documents, please visit https://tinyurl.com/mu6vxn53. For questions, contact the board office at 203-401-2515 or by email at jslubowski@rwater.com.</p>
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REPRESENTATIVE POLICY BOARD

South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority
90 SARGENT DRIVE, NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2023 AT 6:30 P.M.

REMOTE MEETING INSTRUCTIONS

Call in (*audio only*)

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SAFETY MOMENT

JULY – HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS:

It is important to be prepared for hurricane season and have a family emergency plan in place. In the event of a serious storm that could produce power outages, low land flooding and evacuations, and downed trees and power lines that could make roads impassible.

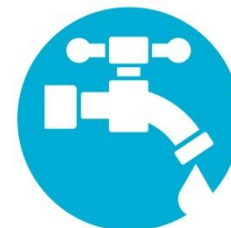
FEMA recommends:

- 10 day supply of non perishable food
- 10-day supply of water, 10 gallons per person
- Working battery operated radio
- Household communications plan

If you live in a costal area that is prone to flooding be sure to prepare a ready to go bag in case you need to evacuate. This should include:

- Cloth face masks, hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes
- Copies of prescription medications and medical supplies
- Bedding and clothing, including sleeping bags and pillows
- Bottled water, a battery-operated radio and extra batteries, a first aid kit, a flashlight
- Copies of important documents: driver's license, Social Security card, proof of residence, insurance policies, wills, deeds, birth and marriage certificates, tax records, etc.

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**Representative Policy Board
South Central Connecticut Regional Water District**

Minutes of June 22, 2023 Meeting

A regular meeting of the Representative Policy Board (“RPB”) of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District took place on Thursday, June 22, 2023, at 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven, Connecticut and via remote access. Chairman Ricozzi presided.

PRESENT

RPB

Ansonia
Beacon Falls
Bethany
Branford
Cheshire
East Haven
Guilford
Hamden
Killingworth
Madison
Milford
New Haven
North Branford
North Haven
Orange
Prospect
Seymour
West Haven
Woodbridge
Governor’s Rep

Thomas P. Clifford, III
Peter Betkoski
Brian Eitzer
Mario Ricozzi
Timothy Slocum
Michelle Verderame
Charles Havrda
Stephen Mongillo
Jamie Mowat Young
Joseph A. Oslander
Richard Smith
Naomi Campbell
Peter DeSantis
Anthony Rescigno
Jasper J. Jaser
Robert E. Harvey, Jr.
Michael H. Horbal
T. Gregory Malloy
Mark Levine
Vincent Marino

Regional Water Authority

David Borowy
Kevin Curseaden
Catherine LaMarr
Suzanne Sack

Management

Larry L. Bingaman
Rochelle Kowalski
Dennis Donovan
Elizabeth Calo
Jim Hill
Sunny Lakshminarayanan
Premjith Lakshman Singh
Orville Kelly

Tighe & Bond

Chris Bone

Counsel

Raquel Herrera-Soto

Office of Consumer Affairs

Jeffrey Donofrio

Staff

Jennifer Slubowski

Absent

Derby Frank Pepe

Call to Order

Chair Ricozzi called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Safety Moment

He reviewed the Safety Moment handout distributed to members.

Public Comment

Chair Ricozzi offered the opportunity for members of the public to comment. There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

Minutes

On motion made by Mr. Malloy, seconded by Mr. Slocum, and unanimously carried, the RPB approved the minutes of its May 25, 2023 meeting, with corrections, and with 98 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Aye	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Absent

Communications

Chair Ricoszi reported that the FY 2024 RPB Weighted Vote Computation was distributed to members. There are no changes.

He stated that members should submit their committee choice to the board office by next Wednesday, June 28, 2023.

Items for Consideration and Action

Chair Ricoszi stated that approval of the bond resolution within the 2023 Rate Application was not separately approved at the RPB's March 23, 2023 meeting when the Rate Application was approved. Although the resolution was included within the Application, the RPB would need to approve a separate resolution. Ms. Young moved for approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2023, the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") approved the 2023 Rate Application dated January 3, 2023 (the "Rate Application"); and

WHEREAS, the Rate Application included the Resolution entitled "Resolution Approving The Issuance Of Bonds" (the "Resolution").

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the RPB hereby confirms its approval of the Resolution as set forth below.

Resolution Approving the Issuance Of Bonds

WHEREAS, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority (the "Authority") proposes to issue its Bonds which may be issued as Project Loan Obligations delivered to the State of Connecticut (the "Bonds") in accordance with Special Act 77-98, as amended, of the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut (the "Act") and the Water System Revenue Bond Resolution, General Bond Resolution, adopted by the Authority and approved by the Representative Policy Board of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District (the "RPB") on July 31, 1980, as amended and supplemented (the "General Bond Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes the Authority to issue its bonds from time to time but subject to the approval of the RPB.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The RPB hereby approves the issuance of the Authority's Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Thirty-seven Million Dollars (\$37,000,000).
2. The Bonds may be issued as obligations in one or more series pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and a supplemental resolution to be adopted by the Authority for each series of Bonds, each of which shall specify the amount of the Bonds, the purposes for which the Bonds are to be issued, the date or dates, maturities, sinking fund installments if any, interest rates, series, denominations, form, redemption prices, security provisions and such

other details of the Bonds as the Authority shall determine in accordance with the limits established by the General Bond Resolution and hereby.

3. The purposes of the Bonds shall be to finance or refinance the cost of certain capital improvements to the water system of the Authority (the "Projects") from approximately July, 2023 through December, 2024 in accordance with a certain capital improvement plan (the "Plan") adopted by the Authority on June 23, 2022, as may be amended from time to time, or in accordance with resolutions approved by the Authority for additional water system projects, (the "Resolutions"), to provide funds for deposit to the Capital Contingency Fund, Debt Reserve Fund, and Operating Reserve Fund, as necessary pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and as permitted by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and to pay costs of issuance.
4. The Bonds may be sold by a competitive bid or by negotiation as serial or term bonds with stated maturities and may be sold in a private or direct placement to a bank or the State of Connecticut.

Mr. Slocum seconded the motion. After discussion, the Chair called for the vote and the RPB adopted the motion with 98 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Aye	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Absent

At 6:37 p.m., Mr. Marino entered the meeting.

Mr. Malloy moved for approval of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Final Decision of the Representative Policy Board, with respect to the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority's Application for approval to Purchase the Assets of Target One, a Confidential Plumbing Company, dated March 30, 2023, which copy is attached hereto, be and hereby is, approved in the form submitted to the meeting.

Mr. Jaser seconded the motion. After discussion, the Chair called for the vote and the RPB adopted the motion with 99 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Aye	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Mr. Slocum, Chair of the RPB Finance Committee, reported that the Committee met earlier in the month to review the Authority's Application for completeness, mode and date of public hearing of the Authority's Application for the purchase of assets of Target Two, a Confidential Plumbing Company. He moved for approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, on May 30, 2023, filed an Application with the Representative Policy Board (“RPB”) for approval to purchase the Assets of Target Two, a Confidential Plumbing Company (the “Application”); and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee of the Representative Policy Board reviewed the Application and recommended that the Application be accepted by the RPB as complete; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee recommended that a public hearing be conducted by a Presiding Member; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee proposed a public hearing date of July 27, 2023 at 7:00 pm., in accordance with Special Act 77-98, as amended, and the RPB Bylaws and Rules of Practice.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the RPB accepts the Finance Committee’s recommendation to consider the Authority’s Application and determined to hold a public hearing, to be conducted by a Presiding Member, on July 27, 2023 at 7:00 p.m., in accordance with Special Act 77-98, as amended, and the RPB Bylaws and Rules of Practice; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Chairperson is hereby directed to give notice of said hearing in accordance with Section 11 of the Rules of Practice, as amended.

Mr. Horbal seconded the motion. After discussion, the Chair called for the vote and the RPB adopted the motion with 99 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Aye	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Aye	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Chair Ricozzi stated that Mr. Clifford would act as presiding member at the public hearing.

Ms. Campbell moved for approval of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the following officers are hereby elected to serve for the year July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, or until their respective successors are duly elected and qualified:

Chairperson:	Robert E. Harvey, Jr.
Vice Chairperson:	Stephen Mongillo
Secretary:	Jamie Mowat Young
Treasurer:	Timothy Slocum

Mr. Eitzer seconded the motion. After discussion, the Chair called for the vote and the RPB adopted the motion with 99 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Aye	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye

East Haven (6) Aye

No. Branford (8) Aye

Gov. Rep. (1) Aye

Reports

Finance Committee – Mr. Slocum, Chair of the Finance Committee, reported on the meeting earlier in the month. The Committee met to receive a presentation from Atty. Donofrio, Office of Consumer Affairs (OCA), on Governance, FOIA and Ethics. The Committee also recommended to the RPB that the Application for Target Two, a Confidential Plumbing Company, be accepted as complete and that a public hearing be conducted. The committee also received highlights of the 5-year audit proposal from management, and reviewed the quarterly report on RPB approved projects.

Due to a conflict, the next meeting will take place on Thursday, July 13, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Land Use Committee – Mr. Betkoski, Chair of the Land Use Committee, reported on the meeting earlier in the month. The Committee met and received the OCA's presentation on Governance, FOIA and Ethics. The Committee also received land updates from management.

The next meeting is on Wednesday, July 12, 2023 and the agenda will consider the election of Committee Chair for the upcoming year. Mr. Betkoski stated his preference to continue with his role as Chair for another year. Other interested candidates should contact the board office.

Consumer Affairs Committee – Mr. Mongillo, Chair of the Consumer Affairs Committee, reported that the Committee is scheduled to meet on Monday, June 26, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. The Committee will receive the OCA's presentation on Governance, FOIA and Ethics. The meeting is virtual only and all RPB members are invited to attend.

Nominating Committee – Ms. Campbell, Chair of the Nominating Committee for RPB officers, had nothing more to report.

Members of the RPB, Authority, and management thanked Mr. Ricozzi for his service on the RPB and congratulated the RPB officers elected for the upcoming year.

Authority/Management - Mr. Borowy, Chair of the Authority, stated that at the Authority meeting earlier in the day, the board approved submitting to the RPB two land dispositions. He stated that the Authority also met as the Strategic Planning Committee and received an update from management on the RWA's FY 2023 Strategic Action Plan & Global Metrics and approved the FY 2024 Strategic Action Plan & Global Metrics. The Committee also reviewed the RWA's collection strategy.

Mr. Borowy reported that the Authority also met as the Commercial Business Committee.

Mr. Curseaden, Chair of the Commercial Business Committee, reported on the Committee meeting earlier in the day. He stated that the Committee received a presentation from management on the RWA's FY 2023 commercial business results and reviewed goals, key achievements and learnings. The committee reviewed and approved its Charter for recommendation to the Authority. The Committee also met in executive session to discuss in detail.

Mr. Bingaman, the RWA's President and Chief Executive Office, reviewed revenues, operating and maintenance expenses for the month ended May 31, 2023 and stated the projected maintenance test for FY 2023 is 140%, with no shortfall. Contributing to the higher coverage are higher interest earnings and water revenues, lower operating expenses, PILOT and debt service expense related to DWSRF timing. The RWA continues to monitor the overall economic environment and customers' ability to pay.

He also reported that raw water storage levels are at 95%, compared to 91% last year.

Discussion took place regarding water revenues, economic impact, and monthly billing and collections.

Chair Ricozzi recognized Atty. Donofrio who thanked RPB Committees for attending the Governance, FOIA and Ethics presentation.

Chair Ricozzi thanked members of the RPB for having the opportunity to serve as Chair of the board and congratulated Mr. Harvey on his new role as RPB Chair.

At 7:00 p.m., the meeting adjourned.

Charles Havrda, Secretary

Attachment:

1. Final Decision, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the Representative Policy Board for approval to purchase Assets of Target One, a Confidential Plumbing Company.

**Representative Policy Board
South Central Connecticut Regional Water District**

Application for Approval to Purchase	:	
the Assets of Target One, a Confidential	:	June 22, 2023
Plumbing Company	:	

**Final Decision, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law
of the Representative Policy Board**

A. The Applicant’s Request

On March 30, 2023, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority (“RWA” or the “Applicant”), through its five-member Authority, submitted an application for approval to Purchase the Assets, Building and Land of Target One, a Confidential Plumbing Company (“Application” or “Target One”). The purchase would expand the RWA’s Well Services footprint and market share, as well as support the proliferation of its WellSafe protection plan product. The Confidential Plumbing Company (“Company”) has a strong service reputation, a stable healthy earnings profile, and is uniquely positioned to compliment the RWA Well Services’ smaller plumbing acquisitions from a scale and geographic expansion perspective. The proposed asset purchase cost, including the real property and improvements thereon, is between \$1.5 - \$2.5 million dollars. The Application for approval of the project was filed pursuant to the statutory authority set forth in Section 19 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended.

B. Participants

In addition to the Representative Policy Board (“RPB”) and the RWA, the district’s Office of Consumer Affairs (“OCA”) participated in this proceeding. The OCA is authorized by Section 15 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended, to act as the advocate for consumer interests in all matters that may affect water customers in the district.

C. Statutory Standard

Pursuant to the legislation cited in paragraph A above, the RWA is required to obtain approval from the RPB prior to acquiring or making a subsequent investment in any non-core business in an amount costing more than \$1 million dollars.

D. Notice and Procedures

Effective July 1, 2021, Senate Bill 1202, Section 163, permitted the RPB to hold the public hearing on the Application using electronic equipment or technology that facilitates real-time public access to meetings, including, but not limited to, telephonic, video, or other conferencing platforms. . On April 27, 2023, the RPB voted unanimously to accept the Application as complete and called a public hearing on Thursday, May 25, 2023 at 7:00 p.m., at the office of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven and via remote access. The RPB designated T. Gregory Malloy (West Haven) to serve as Presiding Member at the public hearing.

As required by Section 10 of Special Act. No. 77-98, as amended, the RPB published in the *New Haven Register* and the *Connecticut Post* the date, time and place of the public hearing to be held by the RPB to consider the Application for approval. The date of publication was April 29, 2023. A copy of this notice was filed with the Office of the Clerk of each city and town within the District. The notice was posted on the RWA's website, including information about electronic participation for the meeting.

E. Public Hearing

At the public hearing on May 25, 2023, the Applicant provided sworn testimony from Rochelle Kowalski, the RWA's Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, and Dennis Donovan,

the RWA's Director of Business Development. These witnesses provided a public presentation that included an overview and background, opportunity review, and asset purchase structure.

The Application also contained confidential information subject to protection under C.G.S. Section 1-200(6)(E), for matters covered by Section 1-210(b)(5)(B), pertaining to commercial and financial information. A portion of the public hearing was held in protected confidential session.

Members of the RPB asked questions of the Applicant with respect to territory, competitors, RWA's strategic plan, decision to purchase, service footprint, anticipated growth, branding, competition, employees, governance, and benefits.

The OCA provided a summary of his analysis of the Application as noted in his memorandum to the RPB dated May 18, 2023, which includes commercial and financial information and is protected under C.G.S. Section 1-210(b)(5)(B). He stated that the purchase of Target One is appropriate, and will further expand the RWA Well Services, LLC footprint and market share. In addition, approval to purchase the assets of Target One will complement the RWA's prior acquisitions and is consistent with the Authority's goal of expanding its commercial revenue sources. For the reasons set forth in his memorandum, the OCA recommended approval of the Application.

In addition to the applicants and OCA listed above, members of the public were invited to attend. No members of the public were present at the public hearing.

F. Analysis

After considering all of the evidence presented, the RPB believes that the Application is necessary, advances the policies and goals of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water

Authority, and is in the best interest of the RWA and its customers. The presentation at the public hearing reinforced the need for and importance of the acquisition.

G. Conclusion

We therefore conclude that the Application for approval to Purchase the Assets of a Confidential Plumbing Company should be approved. Separately stated findings of fact and conclusions of law are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Exhibit A
Representative Policy Board
South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

Application for Approval to Purchase	:	
the Assets of Target One, a Confidential	:	June 22, 2023
Plumbing Company	:	

Findings of Fact

1. The South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority (“RWA”), through its five-member Authority, submitted an Application to the RPB for approval to Purchase the Assets of a Confidential Plumbing Company (“Application”) on March 30, 2023.
2. In 2017, Special Act 17-5 amended the RWA’s enabling legislation to allow the RWA to conduct and invest in non-core business activities defined as including water related, environment, agriculture, and certain renewal energy sources.
3. In 2018, the establishment of RWA’s Growth Fund was created as a means to reserve funds intended for non-core investments.
4. The RWA’s 2020-2025 Strategic Plan outlines a non-core strategy to invest in environmental and water-related businesses to achieve commercial service net revenue of \$9.2 million dollars by May 2025.
5. The RWA has purchased and integrated two similar smaller plumbing and well services entities that are over performing their anticipated investment targets.
6. The Company represents a solid strategic and economic fit with decades of experience servicing communities and has a strong service reputation and a stable, healthy earnings profile.
7. The available cash flow generated from the operations of the Company would result in transferring monies into the RWA’s Construction Fund, to help fund its capital program, mitigate future rate increases and reduce debt leverage.

8. The transaction structured as an asset-purchase, as well as the purchase price structure, mitigates both liability and execution risk.
9. The funding source is the previously established Growth Fund and the purchasing entity is RWA Well Services, LLC.
10. RWA Well Services, LLC is a wholly owned entity of RWA Commercial Enterprises, LLC, a wholly owned entity of the RWA, which is subject to the controls, limitations, and approval therein, including the governance by the Authority Board and the RPB.
11. The proposed asset purchase cost, including the real property and improvements thereon, is between \$1.5 - \$2.5 million dollars.
12. The Application is necessary, advances the policies and goals of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, and is in the best interest of the RWA and its customers.
13. The Application also contains separately stated findings of fact and conclusions of law in its confidential and proprietary elements protected under C.G.S. Section 1-200(6)(E) for matters covered by Section 1-210(b)(5)(B), pertaining to commercial and financial information.
14. The OCA recommended approval of the Application.

Conclusions of Law

1. The South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority's ("RWA") application for approval to Purchase the Assets of Target One, a Confidential Plumbing Company ("Application" or "Target One") on March 30, 2023, was filed pursuant to the statutory authority set forth in Section 19 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended.
2. Notice of the public hearing to consider the Application and to allow interested persons, including water users and property owners within the district, to be heard was properly made on April 29, 2023, pursuant to Section 10 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended.
3. Pursuant to Sections 10 and 19 of Special Act 77-98, as amended, the public hearing was held on May 25, 2023.
4. Based upon the above Findings of Fact, the Representative Policy Board concludes that the RWA's application to Purchase the Assets of Target One, a Confidential Plumbing Company, meets all requirements for approval.

REPRESENTATIVE POLICY BOARD

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

2023-2024

Finance	Land Use	Consumer Affairs	Executive
Tom Clifford	Peter Betkoski*	Naomi Campbell	Peter Betkoski
Jay Jaser	Peter DeSantis	Mark Levine*	Bob Harvey*
Vin Marino*	Brian Eitzer	Stephen Mongillo	Mark Levine
Tim Slocum	Charles Havrda	Frank Pepe	Vincent Marino
Michelle Verderame	Mike Horbal	Tony Rescigno	Stephen Mongillo
	Mark Levine	Rich Smith	Tim Slocum
	Greg Malloy		Jamie Mowat Young
	Joe Oslander		
	Jamie Mowat Young		

*Chair

Representative Policy Board
Dashboard Metric - 4Q FY23 - Revised Metrics

Metrics	Quarter ended 5/31/22 (4Q FY 2022)	Quarter ended 8/31/22 (1Q FY 2023)	Quarter ended 11/30/22 (2Q FY 2023)	Quarter ended 02/28/23 (3Q FY 2023)	Quarter ended 5/31/23 (4Q FY 2023)
Financial Metrics					
Coverage	Budget: 1.14 w/draw	Budget: 1.14 w/o draw	Budget: 1.14 w/o draw	Budget: 1.14 w/o draw	Budget: 1.14 w/o draw
	Projected: 1.40 w/o draw	Projected: 1.16 w/o draw	Projected: 1.23 w/o draw	Projected: 1.26 w/o draw	Projected: 1.40 w/o draw
Draw Requirement	Budget: \$922 thousand	Budget: \$0 million	Budget: \$0 million	Budget: \$0 million	Budget: \$0 million
	Projected: \$0 million	Projected: \$0 million	Projected: \$0 million	Projected: \$0 million	Projected: \$0 million
Capital Expenditures to Budget (Note 1)	Budget: \$30.792 million	Budget: \$7.246 million	Budget: \$20.726 million	Budget: \$30.755 million	Budget: \$41.320 million
	Result: \$29.581 million/96.1%	Result: \$5.616 million/10.3% of total fiscal year budget	Result: \$14.232 million/26.0% of total fiscal year budget	Result: \$24.455 million/54.4% of total fiscal year budget	Result: \$41.233 million/99.8% of total fiscal year budget
Aged Account Receivables - Total Water (Note 2)	Feb 2020: \$6,659,551	Feb 2020: \$6,659,551	Feb 2020: \$6,659,551	Feb 2020: \$6,659,551	Feb 2020: \$6,659,551
	May 2022: \$8,893,501 (+33.5%)	Aug. 2022 : \$8,951,804 (+34.4%)	Nov. 2022 : \$8,799,889 (+32.1%)	Feb. 2023 : \$8,682,202 (+30.4%)	May. 2023 : \$7,517,465 (+12.9%)
Aged Account Receivables - Residential (Note 2)	Feb 2020: \$5,833,160	Feb 2020: \$5,833,160	Feb 2020: \$5,833,160	Feb 2020: \$5,833,160	Feb 2020: \$5,833,160
	May 2022: \$8,435,718 (+44.6%)	Aug. 2022 : \$8,449,516 (+44.9%)	Nov. 2022 : \$8,236,243 (+41.2%)	Feb 2023: \$8,135,230 (+39.5%)	May. 2023 : \$7,067,920 (+21.2%)
Pension Market Values (Note 3)	May Mkt. Value: \$67,311,833	Aug. Mkt Value: \$66,527,775	Oct. Mkt Value: \$62,396,715	Feb. Mkt Value: \$64,571,575	May 2023 Mkt. Value: \$66,990,538
	See above	June 2022 Mkt. Value: \$63,189,971	Sept 2022 Mkt. Value: \$60,072,550	Dec 2022 Mkt. Value: \$63,735,939	March 2023 Mkt. Value: \$65,549,028
	May Return: Fiscal Negative 4.9%	June Return: Negative 10.6%	Sept Return: Fiscal Negative 9.8%	Dec Return: Negative 12.85%/Fiscal: Negative 3.70%	March Return: .1% Fiscal
	Actuarial Return Assumption: 6.75%	Actuarial Return Assumption: 6.75%	Actuarial Return Assumption: 6.75%	Actuarial Return Assumption: 6.75%	Actuarial Return Assumption: 6.75%

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Dashboard Metric - 4Q FY23 - Revised Metrics

Metrics	Quarter ended 5/31/22 (4Q FY 2022)	Quarter ended 8/31/22 (1Q FY 2023)	Quarter ended 11/30/22 (2Q FY 2023)	Quarter ended 02/28/23 (3Q FY 2023)	Quarter ended 5/31/23 (4Q FY 2023)
System Metrics					
Average Daily Production (Draft) to Budget (MG/D)/Prior Year (Note 5)	Prior Year: 45.181 MGD	Prior Year: 53.416 MGD	Prior Year: 48.344 MGD	Prior Year: 44.734 MGD	Prior Year: 43.329 MGD
	Result: 43.329 MGD	Result: 55.730 MGD	Result: 48.863 MGD	Result: 44.788 MGD	Result: 43.680 MGD
Disinfection By-products	Target: 100%	Target: 100%	Target: 100%	Target: 100%	Target: 100%
	Result: 100%*	Result: 100%*	Result: 100%*	Result: 100%*	Result: 100%*
	* As of March 31, 2022, updated	* As of June 30, 2022, updated	* As of Sept. 30, 2022, updated	* As of Dec. 31, 2022, updated	* As of March 31, 2023, updated
Net Unaccounted For Water	Target: 10.0%	Target: 10.0%	Target: 10.0%	Target: 10.0%	Target: 10.0%
(annualized)	Result: 13.52% for the annualized	Result: 13.85% for the annualized	Result: 12.04% for the annualized	Result: 11.72% for the annualized	Result: 11.58% for the annualized
	period of March 2021 to February 2022	period of June 2021 to May 2022	period of Sept. 2021 to August 2022	period of Dec. 2021 to Nov. 2022	period of March 2022 to February 2023
Service Disruptions (Notes 4 and 5): Due to Main Breaks					
Number of Disruptions	Result:	Result: 11	Result: 6	Result: 22	Result: 5
Number of Customers Impacted	Result:	Result: 217	Result: 48	Result: 241	Result: 62
Avg. Period Customers are w/o Water	Target:	Target: 6	Target: 6	Target: 6	Target: 6
	Result:	Result: 3.9	Result: 3.1	Result: 3.7	Result: 2.1

REPRESENTATIVE POLICY BOARD
OF THE
SOUTH CENTRAL CONNECTICUT REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

JULY 27, 2023

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

(Approval of Authority's Application for approval of the Derby Wellfield Chemical Improvements Project)

RESOLVED, that the proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Final Decision of the Representative Policy Board, with respect to the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority's Application for approval of the Derby Wellfield Chemical Improvements Project, dated April 28, 2023, which copy is attached hereto, be and hereby is, approved in the form submitted to the meeting.

**Representative Policy Board
South Central Connecticut Regional Water District**

Application for Approval of the Derby	:	
Wellfield Chemical Improvements Project	:	July 27, 2023
located in Derby, Connecticut	:	

**Final Decision, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law
of the Representative Policy Board**

A. The Applicant's Request

On April 28, 2023, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority (“RWA” or the “Applicant”), through its five-member Authority, submitted an application for approval of the Derby Wellfield Chemical Improvements Project located in Derby, Connecticut (“Application” or “Project”). The Application also includes the replacement of all the chemical treatment systems along with electrical improvements and roof replacement. The project will include replacement of the flourosilicic acid (fluoride), sodium hydroxide (caustic), phosphate, and sodium hypochlorite chemical feed systems. Each chemical replacement system includes bulk tanks, day tanks, transfer pumps, metering pumps, piping valves and instrumentation. Other necessary building improvements have been rolled into this Application due to the ease of constructability during well and chemical feed system shutdowns. The building improvements include door replacements, fiberglass platforms, tempered water and eye washes for chemical feed systems, heating and ventilating improvements, chemical resistant coatings for chemical feed systems, masonry repointing, replacement of roofing, structural repairs, and miscellaneous electrical improvements. A full well shutdown of the facility will be allowed from November 1 to April 1 so that the contractor may complete the necessary work. If required, the RWA will provide temporary chemical feed systems outside of the allowable shutdown time for the facility. The goal of

including the multiple improvements into one project and allowing a full facility shutdown is to prevent the RWA from having to provide temporary chemical feed systems for a lengthy period and to consolidate the project schedule, reducing overall facility downtime.

The maximum anticipated project cost is \$3.3 million and includes a 20% contingency. The project costs are based on 90% complete design drawings, prepared in February 2023. In accordance with cost-estimating principles, the project costs have been adjusted for inflation.

The Application for approval of the project was filed pursuant to the statutory authority set forth in Section 19 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended.

B. Participants

In addition to the Representative Policy Board (“RPB”) and the RWA, the district’s Office of Consumer Affairs (“OCA”) participated in this proceeding. The OCA is authorized by Section 15 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended, to act as the advocate for consumer interests in all matters that may affect water customers in the district.

C. Statutory Standard

Pursuant to the legislation cited in paragraph A above, the RWA is required to obtain approval from the RPB prior to commencing any project costing more than two million dollars to repair, improve, construct, reconstruct, enlarge or extend any of its properties or systems.

D. Notice and Procedures

Effective July 1, 2021, Senate Bill 1202, Section 163, permitted the RPB to hold the public hearing on the Application using electronic equipment or technology that facilitates real-time public access to meetings, including, but not limited to, telephonic, video or other conferencing platforms. Other procedural requirements were also met. On May 25, 2023, the RPB voted unanimously to accept the Application as complete and called a public hearing on Thursday, June

22, 2023 at 7:00 p.m., at the office of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven and via remote access. The RPB designated Brian Eitzer (Bethany) to serve as Presiding Member at the public hearing.

As required by Section 10 of Special Act. No. 77-98, as amended by Public Act No. 02-85, the RPB published in the *New Haven Register* and the *Connecticut Post* the date, time and place of the public hearing to be held by the RPB to consider the Application for approval. The date of publication was May 27, 2023. A copy of this notice was filed with the Office of the Clerk of each city and town within the District. The notice was posted on the RWA's website, including information about electronic participation for the meeting.

E. Public Hearing

At the public hearing on June 22, 2023, the Applicant provided sworn testimony from Rochelle Kowalski, the RWA's Vice President & Chief Financial Officer, Sunny Lakshminarayanan, the RWA's Vice President of Engineering & Environmental Services, Jim Hill, the RWA's Interim Director of Operations, Orville Kelly, the RWA's Manager of Design and Construction, , and Atty. Jeffrey Donofrio, Office of Consumer Affairs. Mr. Kelly provided a presentation for the project that described the background, scope, site conditions, need, alternatives analysis, budget, and schedule.

Members of the RPB asked questions of the Applicant with respect to alternatives, production, price increase related to system upgrades, negotiations, and distribution system supplementation during construction period.

The Application also contained confidential information subject to protection under C.G.S. Section 1-200(6)(E), for matters covered by Section 1-210(b)(19)(i)(ii), pertaining to safety risk. A portion of the public hearing was held in protected confidential discussion.

The OCA provided a summary of his analysis of the Application as noted in his memorandum to the RPB dated June 15, 2023. Attorney Donofrio concluded that the Application is necessary and appropriate and recommended approval of the Application for the reasons set forth in his memorandum to the RPB.

In addition to the applicants and OCA listed above, Mr. Bone from Tighe and Bond was present to answer any questions. No members of the public attended the public hearing.

F. Analysis

After considering all of the evidence presented, the RPB believes that the Application is necessary and advances the policies and goals of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, is included in the five-year plan of capital improvements, and is in the best interest of the RWA and its customers. The presentation at the public hearing reinforced the need for and importance of the project.

G. Conclusion

We therefore conclude that the Application for approval of the Derby Wellfield Chemical Improvements Project should be approved. Separately stated findings of fact and conclusions of law are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Exhibit A
Representative Policy Board
South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

Application for Approval of the Derby	:	
Wellfield Chemical Improvements Project,	:	July 27, 2023
located in Derby, Connecticut	:	

Findings of Fact

1. The South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority (“RWA”), through its five-member Authority, submitted an Application to the RPB for approval of the Derby Wellfield Chemical Improvements Project, located in Derby, Connecticut (“Application”) on April 28, 2023.
2. The Application improves reliability and safety by replacing aging chemical feed system and building equipment/components.
3. The Application improves consistency with other RWA wellfield facilities.
4. The Project maintains criticality of the Derby Wellfield being the primary source of sufficient potable water for the Aquarion Water Company (AWS) East Derby Interconnection and provides a reliability selling point from RWA to AWC for extending the current Agreement for another ten years that is set to expire at the end of 2025.
5. The project is included in the FY 2024 Capital Improvement Project budget. The Project located in Derby, Connecticut will commence in FY 2024, with completion planned in FY 2025, at a total project cost of \$3.3 million.
6. The proposed project is consistent with, advances the policies and goals of the RWA, and is in the public interest.
7. The OCA recommended approval of the Application.

Conclusions of Law

1. The South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority's ("RWA") application for approval of the Derby Wellfield Chemical Improvements Project located in Derby, Connecticut ("Application") on April 28, 2023, was filed pursuant to the statutory authority set forth in Section 19 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended.
2. Notice of the public hearing to consider the Application and to allow interested persons, including water users and property owners within the district, to be heard was properly made on May 27, 2023, pursuant to Section 10 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended.
3. Pursuant to Sections 10 and 19 of Special Act 77-98, as amended, the public hearing was held on June 22, 2023.
4. Based upon the above Findings of Fact, the Representative Policy Board concludes that the RWA's Application meets all requirements for approval.

REPRESENTATIVE POLICY BOARD

Proposed Resolutions

July 27, 2023

(Land Use Committee's recommendation to RPB re Authority's Applications for the disposition of: 1) 17.22 acres located west of Beech Street in North Branford that is part of Land Unit NB 4, and 2) 19.462 acres located north of Poms Lane in North Branford that is part of Land Unit NB 4)

WHEREAS, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, on June 22, 2023, filed two Applications with the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") for the dispositions of:

1. 17.22 acres located west of Beech Street in North Branford; and
2. 19.462 acres located north of Poms Lane in North Branford (the "Applications"); and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Committee of the Representative Policy Board reviewed the Applications and recommended that the Applications be accepted by the RPB as complete; and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Committee recommended that the public hearings be conducted by a Presiding Member; and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Committee proposed public hearing dates of September 28, 2023 at 7:00 pm., in accordance with Special Act 77-98, as amended, and the RPB Bylaws and Rules of Practice.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the RPB accepts the Land Use Committee's recommendation to consider the Authority's Applications and determined to hold public hearings, to be conducted by a Presiding Member, on September 28, 2023 at 7:00 p.m., in accordance with Special Act 77-98, as amended, and the RPB Bylaws and Rules of Practice; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson is hereby directed to give notice of said hearing in accordance with Section 11 of the Rules of Practice, as amended.

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