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MDC'S LONG TERM CONTROL PLAN FOR CLEAN WATER PROJECT APPROVED

CT DEEP approves plan to manage sewer infrastructure upgrades

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(HARTFORD, CT) – The MDC announced that the State of Connecticut's Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) recently approved the District's updated Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) submittal.

The LTCP is the document that outlines the MDC's plan for controlling combined sewer overflows (CSOs). It is part of the MDC's Clean Water Project (CWP) and is required to be updated every 5 years by a Consent Order from DEEP. A public hearing on the LTCP update was held on February 24, 2015 in Wethersfield, which was required as part of the approval process.

The major components of the updated LTCP include an expansion of the Hartford Water Pollution Control Facility (HWPCF) to accept larger volumes of wastewater, a significant reduction in the amount of sewer separation projects, an increase in the size of the South Hartford Conveyance and Storage Tunnel (SHCST), a change in the routes of some of the consolidation pipes and a reduction of stormwater inflow and groundwater infiltration projects.

The main changes to the plan shift the focus to increased capacity for the SHCST and the size of the HWPCF to treat those flows collected in the tunnel. Less sewer separation construction work in the streets means much less disruption to local residences and businesses while still addressing the goal of CWP, reducing sewer overflows to local waterways and Long Island Sound.

"We at the MDC value our constructive working relationship with our partners at DEEP and the customers in our member towns as we design the best plan possible to ensure the success of the CWP in the most fiscally responsible way," stated MDC CEO Scott Jellison. "We want to achieve the goals and requirements of the CWP with the least amount of impact on our customers as possible, and the LTCP update approval helps us to do that."

About the MDC: *The MDC is a nonprofit municipal corporation chartered by the Connecticut General Assembly in 1929. The MDC provides water, sewer and household hazardous waste collection services to its member municipalities: Bloomfield, East Hartford, Hartford, Newington, Rocky Hill, West Hartford, Wethersfield and Windsor. In addition, the District supplies treated water to portions of Glastonbury, South Windsor, Farmington, East Granby and Portland.*

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