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Executive Director Public Utilities Commission 1701 N. Congress Avenue PO Box 133326 Austin, Texas 78711-3326

Montgomery County Utility District No. 2 27054

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Gentlepersons:

Re:

Enclosed with this letter for your use and files please find one (1) photocopy of the annual report regarding electricity conservation compliance as submitted by the captioned District to the State Energy Conservation Office pursuant to Senate Bill 5, 77th Legislature.

If I can be of further service, please call me at 713-653-7319.

Very truly yours,

David F. Green Legal Assistant

Enclosure



State Energy Conservation Office Health and Safety Code 388.005 Reporting Information

(as required by Health and Safety Code 388.005(e))

Please respond by July 1, 2002

Contact Information

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ATTACHMENT "1"

MONTGOMERY COUNTY UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 2 OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

September 27, 2002

Mr. Glenn Jennings, Program Administrator State Energy Conservation Office Comptroller of Public Accounts 111 E. 17th Street Austin, Texas 78701

Re: Annual Report Under Senate Bill 5, 77th Texas Legislature ("SB 5")

Dear Mr. Jennings:

The Board of Directors of Montgomery County Utility District No. 2 ("District") has recently become aware of the electricity conservation requirements set forth in the captioned SB 5. We would like to make the State Energy Conservation Office ("SECO") aware of the District's position in regard to the requirements of SB5.

We understand and support the goal of energy conservation. However, the nature of a municipal utility district makes it very difficult, if not impossible, to achieve the energy conservation goals set forth in SB 5.

The District, as is the case with all municipal utility districts, was created primarily to provide water supply, water treatment, sanitary sewer collection, wastewater treatment, and storm water collection and drainage facilities to serve the land within the District's boundaries. To achieve its purposes, the District has financed and constructed water treatment plants, a wastewater treatment plant, lift stations, and other facilities that consume large amounts of electricity. All of the District's electricity is consumed by the District's treatment facilities mentioned above.

At the time the facilities were constructed, they were designed to industry standards, which included energy-efficient equipment considered cost-effective at the time. Likewise, as the facilities were expanded or renovated over the years, energy-efficient equipment was used if it was deemed to be cost-effective. However, any modification of these large and often complex facilities is very expensive, and modifying them only for the purposes of adding energy conservation systems would be cost-prohibitive.

The amount of electricity that the District consumes in a particular year is determined much more by the number of utility connections (i.e., residential, commercial, and other buildings and structures) served by the District than by the use or non-use of energy conservation measures. The more utility connections that are added to the District, the harder the facilities will operate and the more electricity the District will consume. In addition, as utility connections are added, the District must construct additional facilities in order to serve its customers, thereby increasing the amount of electricity used.

For your information, a factor that could affect any future reports that the District and other political subdivisions submit to SECO will be the ease or difficulty of obtaining electricity consumption data from Retail Electric Providers. So far in 2002, the District's new REP has not been submitting billing information consistently, and the bills we have received have not necessarily been accurate. Any electricity consumption data submitted to SECO in the 2002 SB 5 compliance report might not be accurate, thus affecting SECO's ability to assess the effectiveness of energy conservation measures instituted by various political subdivisions.

If you have any questions about these matters, please contact David F. Green with Coats, Rose, Yale, Ryman & Lee, P. C., the District's Attorney, at (713) 653-7313.

Very truly yours,

Larry Folk

Vice President, Board of Directors

cc: Ms. Karen Sears
AquaSource Services, LP

Mr. Mark Adam, P.E. Alexander Engineering, Inc.

Mr. David F. Green Coats, Rose, Yale, Ryman & Lee, P. C.