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## Re: Onset Water Department/Settlers Glen Water Connection Approval Request/Our File No. 3536.16

Dear Attorney O'Shaughnessy:

I am writing to confirm that the Board of Water Commissioners is in receipt of a letter from your client James V. O'Brien on behalf of Settler's Glen LLC, dated March 10, 2022, which is requesting the Board of Water Commissioners to expedite the approval of the water connection permit and also references the fees that will be required for the connection.

Please be advised that, as has been explained by Superintendent David Candeias, your client needs to fulfill the Water Department's pre-submission requirement of submitting updated plans that show the looped main. Once the Water Department has received said plans, it will then be in the position to move forward with the review process of the plans and proposed water connections. The Water Department's engineering consultant will undertake a review of the plans and evaluate the plans to make a determination as to the water system's ability to serve the demand associated with this project. Once all District comments and recommended revisions have been incorporated into the design, the Water Department will issue a letter of design approval for the project. Said letter will also detail all other administrative requirements pertinent to the project, including fees. If necessary, the Board of Water Commissioners will schedule a meeting with your client to review and explain the fees required to receive the Water Department's approval to connect to the District's water supply.

Presently, without the required plans having been submitted in order to be reviewed by the Water Department and its engineering consultant, the Water Department is not in a position to approve the connection or make a determination regarding fees. Until the required process has been initiated as indicated above, the Board of Water Commissioners does not see the justification for further meetings with Mr. O'Brien. Once the required process has been initiated, then the Board of Water Commissioners will be pleased to meet with Mr. O'Brien concerning the submitted plans and the required fees, but Mr. O'Brien first needs to follow process that the Water Department requires for all development projects.

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The Water Department looks forward to receiving the necessary plans so that it may move forward with the review process as indicated above.

Very truly yours,

GAY & GAY, P.C.

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