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Mr. R. S. Howard, Jr. Executive Secretary State Water Quality Control Board 47 Trinity Avenue, S. W. Atlanta, Georgia 30334

> RE: Letter dated September 28, 1967, requiring formal schedule for completion of projects relative to the abatement of pollution on the Chattahoochee River.

Dear Mr. Howard:

In response to the above referenced letter, the City of Atlanta has compiled necessary documents to provide you with schedules outlining:

- (1) Submission of an engineering study
- (2) Scheduling of financing arrangements
- (3) A schedule for submission of final engineering plans and specifications
- (4) A schedule for the construction of waste treatment . facilities

These documents are submitted in order to comply with your desire to have such material by October 20, 1967, and are intended to indicate the efforts of the City of Atlanta in complying with the State and Federal Directives relative to the provision of secondary waste treatment for effluents discharged to the Chattahoochee River on or before July 1, 1971. October 20, 1967

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The engineering study referred to in paragraph l above, was submitted to your office on December 30, 1965, and remains substantially in effect as a reflection of the problems and the construction needs for the abatement of pollution on the Chattahoochee River eminating from the R. M. Clayton Water Pollution Control Plant, the Sandy Creek WPC Plant, and the Utoy WPC Plant, each of which are the property of and under the direct control of the City of Atlanta. A similar engineering study entitled "Report on Sewerage System Improvements for Fulton County, Georgia" prepared by Wiedeman and Singleton Engineers with the date of December, 1965, reflects a completed requirement for an engineering study to determine the needs for plant improvements at the Camp Creek WPC Plant and the Fulco WPC Plant; both of which are principally owned by unincorporated Fulton County while being operated by the City of Atlanta. Fulton County officials will submit further data relative to financing, final engineering plans and specifications, and construction schedules for these two facilities.

With reference to financing arrangements that are necessary to provide waste treatment facilities referred to above, I am sure that you are aware that the City of Atlanta took the necessary actions late in 1966 to provide an adequate revenue base in the form of sewer service charges, such that the improvements and expansions to the facilities referred to above can be carried out in compliance with the schedule to be discussed in later paragraphs of this letter. Appendix 3 to this letter reflects the financing plan of the City of Atlanta to accomplish the construction schedule reflected in other segments of this letter. A similar financing plan will be employed to provide the City's share of expansions and improvements to the Fulco and Camp Creek WPC Plant which will be mentioned in a similar letter forwarded to your office by Fulton County. It should be pointed out that a large portion of the financing plans of the City of Atlanta and other metropolitan communities were and are based upon anticipated financial assistance from the State and Federal Government in the design and construction of the necessary facilities to accomplish the abatement of pollution on the Chattahoochee River. The Georgia Water Quality Control Board should recognize that all commitments made in the past and at this time are made with an eye toward available

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federal funds and with the serious hope that the State Government will take the necessary steps to meet its obligation in this regard. It should also be noted that any reduction in available funding from the presently authorized federal levels will have a significant effect both upon starting time and the completion time of projects scheduled and provided for in this letter.

The schedule for submission of final engineering plans and specifications and the scheduled start and completion of waste treatment facilities are reflected on Appendix 1 to this letter. This appendix indicates on a graphical schedule basis the proposed dates for these critical phases of pollution abatement and reflects the programmed time for provision of secondary treatment in compliance with your previous directives. The City of Atlanta is committed through previous actions of the Aldermanic Board to the completion of these facilities in the most expeditious manner possible. This office will work with that Board in every way possible to attain the objective of reduced water pollution on the Chattahoochee River and to provide a more healthful environment for Atlanta. If this office can be of any further assistance to you in this regard, please advise.

Very truly yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr. Mayor

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Enclosures: Appendix #1 Engineering & Construction Schedule Appendix #2 Funding Requirements Schedule Appendix #3 Financing Plan