

TED ELLIS MAYOR CITY OF BLUFFTON

March 17, 2013

Wells County Regional Sewer District Bluffton, IN 46714 Attn: Lee VonGunten President, Board of Trustees

Re: Proposed Municipal Sanitary Sewer Service McKinney/Paxson Ditch Service Area Wells County, IN

Dear Lee:

The City of Bluffton has considered your formal request to provide a point of potential connection and treatment services to an initial phase of approximately 21 existing single family homes which are now being served by individual, on-site septic systems in the referenced service area. According to your engineer, the most logical point of connection appears to be near the Elm Grove Road pump station located along SR 124. Specifically, we looked at whether or not our collection system would have available capacity for the 21 structures at an estimated average daily flow of 6,510 GPD and a peak flow of 26,040 GPD.

Based on the analysis of existing flows at the pump station coupled with observed wet weather flows in the 24" diameter receiving interceptor sewer, we are unable to allow for said connection to our collection system at this time due to a lack of available wet weather capacity.

We understand that the intention of your proposed project is to eliminate failing septic systems and serve existing development, but are again unable to accept additional flow at this spot in our collection system based upon your current proposal. We would entertain other proposals or alternative points of connection assuming you are able to generate alternative engineering options. If you have any further questions or concerns with regard to this request, please don't hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely yours,

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cc: Ben Adams, Commonwealth Engineers, Inc. Diana Toth, DLZ

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