NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE LOWCOUNTRY REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM, SOUTH CAROLINA

The Lowcountry Regional Water System Commission (the "Commission"), the governing body of the Lowcountry Regional Water System ("LRWS"), will hold a public hearing regarding the adoption of its fiscal year 2020-2021 budget (the "Public Hearing"). The Public Hearing will be held in order to comply with the requirements of Section 6-1-80 of the South Carolina Code of Laws 1976, as amended (the "S.C. Code"). This notice is given in lieu of the requirements of Section 4-9-130 of the S.C. Code.

Accordingly, notice is hereby given that the Public Hearing will be held by the Commission via an electronic meeting on September 8th, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. in accordance with LRWS' procedures for conducting electronic meetings. Those wishing to provide written public comments for the public hearing should email comments to the Secretary of the Commission (the "Secretary") at <u>sara.craven@lowcountrywater.com</u> by no later than 12:00 p.m. on September 1st, 2020, and any such written comments shall be read to the Commission during the Public Hearing. Those wishing to address the Commission during the Public Hearing should access the electronic meeting using the instructions provided on the agenda for such meeting, which shall be made available on the website of LRWS (www.lowcountrywater.com) not less than 24 hours prior to the Public Hearing. The Secretary will allow each of those wishing to speak during the Public Hearing to address the Commission in turn.

The anticipated revenue and expenditures of the fiscal year 2019-2020 budget and the proposed revenue and expenditures of the fiscal year 2020-2021 budget are as follows:

	Revenue	Expenditures
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (Estimated)	\$3,040,092	\$3,040,092
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (Proposed)	\$3,234,444	\$3,234,444
Percentage Change (Estimated)	+ 6.39%	+ 6.39%

The aforesaid hearing shall be conducted publicly and both proponents and opponents of the proposed action shall be given full opportunity to be heard in person or by counsel. Following the hearing, the Commission shall determine, by resolution, whether to approve the budget as presented.

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