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March 12, 2014

City of Rapid City
Public Works Department
300 Sixth Street
Rapid City, SD 57701

Re: East Rapid City Water Expansion

Dear Rapid City Common Council:

Longview Sanitary District gives its full support of the East Rapid City Water Expansion line. LVSD, comprised of approximately 70 low to moderate income homes, has long searched for a viable solution to its various water issues.

Mesa View, making up half of the LVSD's population, has struggled with water quality and failing infrastructure. Other residents are on private shallow wells or need to haul water. Wells that have been tested in this area have fallen out of EPA compliance or are poor quality water.

Over the past several years we have looked at the possibility of regionalizing with Rapid Valley or Box Elder and the viability of drilling a deep well with treatment. These 'possibilities' have proven to be impracticable for various reasons.

Regionalizing with Rapid City has always been our preference but was a closed door with previous administrations. So we are very hopeful and excited about the possibility of becoming city water users.

This is a win-win possibility. This project is vital for public health of LVSD residents. As for Rapid City, providing water utility for this area is a logical avenue for the city in controlling and implementing smart growth practices between Rapid City and the airport.

Thank you for your serious consideration in this serious matter.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alan Platt". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Alan Platt
Longview Sanitary District
Chairman

cc. Mayor's Office