From this table, Mr. Lawrence eventually testified (focusing on the "-0.007" number) that the Town of East Lyme currently is *over* its allocated capacity, and does not have capacity to allocate to any property.

Whether intended or not, Mr. Lawrence's conclusion leaves this Commission with two alternatives: (1) accept this conclusion, in which case the Town of East Lyme is in violation of its sewage disposal agreement with New London and the state and federal Clean Water. Acts, and does not have any capacity left to allocate, even where sewer hookups are needed to deal with existing water pollution problems; or (2) reject Weston & Sampson's conclusion, in favor of using Mr. Lawrence's first column, which shows at least 225,000 in available capacity.

The proper way to proceed is to use the left column, average daily flow. The use of average daily flow instead of maximum flow is supported by at least these factors:

- Average flow rate is used in evaluating treatment plant capacity and in developing flowrates used in design;<sup>2</sup>
- The New London treatment plant NPDES permit, Exhibit 7 in the record of this hearing, in ¶ 4(L), states that the plant's design capacity must be reexamined when the average daily flow for the previous 180 days exceeds 90 percent of the design flow rate, which as noted above is also based on average, not maximum; and
- It is illogical to base design, compliance, agreements, allocations, or capacity estimates on maximums because minimum flows and maximum flows are unpredictable and highly variable. Design of discrete portions of sewer and treatment systems is subject to various peaking factors, but baseline capacity is not. The Recommended Standards for Wastewater Facilities 2004 Edition notes the design average flow is the average of the daily volumes to be received for a continuous 12 month period expressed as a volume per unit time (Section 11.241a). Section 11.26 of the same standards denote the wastewater treatment facility design capacity is the design average flow. Metcalf & Eddy further reinforces this in identifying "The average daily flowrate occurring over a 24-hour period based on total annual flowrate data. Average flowrate is used in evaluating treatment plant capacity and in developing flowrate ratios used in design." (Wastewater Engineering, Treatment, Disposal and Reuse, Metcalf & Eddy, Inc. Third Edition, Section 2-4, page 36).

Thus, average flow, not maximum, is used in evaluating capacity.

And if this Commission denies Landmark's application on the basis of no available capacity, but then allocates to others, it will be exposed to a variety of legal claims.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Wastewater Engineering, Treatment, Disposal and Reuse," Metcalf & Eddy, Inc., Third Edition 1991, Section 5-2, page 149.

### 3. Six Year Average vs. Two Year Average

The use of a six year average vs. a shorter average depends on trends. If the range of flows within a six year period were consistent over that time period, a six year average might be appropriate. However, the average has been steadily diminishing from 2006 to 2012, from 1.101 MGD in 2006 to 1.010 MGD in 2011, a ten percent decline, such that use of a six year average to analyze current conditions distorts current capacity. In fact, Metcalf & Eddy note the following: "Where flow records are kept for treatment plants and pumping stations, at least two years of the most recent data should be analyzed. Longer-term records may be analyzed to determine changes or trends in wastewater generation rates." "Wastewater Engineering, Treatment, Disposal and Reuse," Metcalf & Eddy, Inc., Third Edition 1991, Section 2-4, page 36. Here, the longer trend demonstrates the need to use a two year average to identify current conditions accurately.

The Commission need not take the applicant's word on this. In 2011, Commission staff Brad Kargyl communicated with AECOM, the consulting firm retained to evaluate treatment capacity at the New London plant. The Town of East Lyme, through Mr. Kargyl, was asked to identify the appropriate, current base sewer flow numbers for treatment plant capacity planning purposes. In an April 13, 2011 email to AECOM's Dennis Setzko and others, in support of a request to double East Lyme's allocation, Mr. Kargyl stated (full copy of e-mail chain attached) (emphasis added):

For the purpose of the analysis, I would use the base wastewater flow of 2,800,000 for the 10-25 year timeframe. With some interpolation, this comes from Figure V-17 found in the 2007 Capacity Study prepared by Fuss & O'Neill and is consistent with the information provided to the DEP. However, based on current trends, flows are decreasing and we recently learned that the Gates prison is closing effective June 1, 2011. That alone equates to approximately 80,000 gpd that will be lost.

I believe the F&O report is very conservative and probably overstates the projected flows, i.e. the F&O report projected a base wastewater flow of approximately 2,000,000 gpd in the 0-5 year time frame (2010). We are actually closer to 1,000,000 gpd (see attached). With that in mind, I think at least two flow scenarios should be considered, one being the base wastewater flow of 2,800,000 gpd found in the F&O report, and the other being some fraction of that, say 2,000,000 gpd for the 10-25 year time frame.<sup>3</sup>

Flows have continued to decrease since Mr. Kargyl's April 2011 e-mail.

In calculating current available capacity, then, the past two years, not the past six years, reflect both current and expected conditions. Since the start of 2011, through September 2012,

The applicant notes that this information was apparently not conveyed to Weston & Sampson.

average daily flow has been less than 1.000 MGD, but 1.000 can be used as a conservative number. Plugging this number into Mr. Lawrence's table results in available capacity of 336,000 GPD. Landmark requests 35 percent of this amount, which would leave 218,000 GPD for other properties and purposes.

It is worth noting that this 336,000 GPD is still a misleading number. The fact is that, as an *actual* matter, East Lyme did not use 400,000 gallons of its available capacity in 2006, and in 2011 it did not use 500,000 gallons of its allocation. One of the facilities that is the basis of the State's allocation has closed permanently. This means that, in reality, if 118,000 were allocated to Landmark, it would constitute only 23 percent of actual, currently unused capacity, and the Town's margin of physically unused (as opposed to allocated) capacity would be in the neighborhood of 380,000 GPD. This also means that if 118,000 were allocated to Landmark and used fully, the actual average flow would still be below what it was in 2004-05.

### 4. Point O'Woods

The discharges from Point O'Woods are not a reduction in East Lyme's New London treatment plant capacity allocation, but a temporary reallocation of capacity at the plant reserved by the State, as shown in the 2006 DEP order, a copy of which is attached to the Weston & Sampson report. Apparently, on this basis, the May 2012 AECOM report does not deduct Point O'Woods from East Lyme's capacity, but accounts for it and other future Old Lyme flows in the planning of the treatment plant.

### 5. Other Factors

- 1. We note that in the 2006 DEP order regarding Point O'Woods, ¶ B.1.b, the Town of East Lyme was ordered to pursue additional capacity at the New London treatment plant. That order remains in effect. The May 2012 AECOM report indicates active planning for East Lyme's allocation increasing to 3.05 MGD.
- 2. Regarding the Connecticut Supreme Court's 2009 decision Forest Walk, it must be noted that that property was not in the Town's sewer district. Also, that case's discussion of sewer capacity allocation (gallons per acre of land to be developed) is both misleading and contrary to smart growth principles. Sewers are intended to facilitate higher residential densities and smaller developed areas, allowing for clustering open space presentation, green building orientation, and other land planning advantages. Thus, the discussion about allocating too much sewer capacity to too little land is exactly backwards. Moreover, the Landmark parcel is 236 acres, not 36 acres, if we wish to compare apples to apples.
- 3. The Landmark property is undeveloped, but not "environmentally pristine." It has minimal wetlands (and none in the area of the proposed Phase I development). It is not habitat for endangered species. Much of it is relatively flat and readily developable. Twice in the early

2000's State of Connecticut officials indicated that they had "no interest" in dedicating state funds to preserve it as open space. Likewise, the Town of East Lyme's open space priority list does not list this property as a top priority.

4. If neighboring property owners are concerned with open space preservation and limiting development on the Landmark property, the best way to do so is to allow a sewer connection.

### 6. Conclusion

It is established Connecticut case law that a proposed development is entitled to sewer capacity if it (1) is located in a sewer service area; (2) abuts or fronts on an approved sewer line or approved extension; (3) requests capacity that is available; and (4) can be physically and feasibly engineered, then the applicant is entitled to a sewer approval. The pending Landmark application meets these criteria. The Landmark is located in the Town's sewer service area and has frontage on an approved extension of the Town's sewer system. There is plainly available capacity, the only question being what percentage Landmark seeks, with the range being 35 to 52 percent. Weston & Sampson has confirmed that Waterford's system has capacity to transmit flow from the Landmark property to the New London treatment plant. The answer to the question, "Does East Lyme have 118,00 gpd of sewer capacity available?" is unequivocally "Yes." This Commission is obligated to approve Landmark's application.

### E-Mails Retrieved From AECOM File October 17, 2012

### Crowley, Maureen

From: Sent: Brad Kargl [BKargl@eltownhall.com] Wednesday, April 13, 2011 1:33 PM

To:

Crowley, Maureen

Cc:

Setzko, Dennis; Lanzafame, Joseph; P. E. Neftali Soto (nsoto@waterfordct.org); Mike

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Subject:

RE: confirmation of East Lyme Future Flows and Loads

Attachments:

EL Flow Summary 04-13-11.pdf

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Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely:

**Brad Kargl** 

From: Crowley, Maureen [mailto:Maureen.Crowley@aecom.com]

Sent: Wednesday, March 30, 2011 1:03 PM

To: Brad Kargl Cc: Setzko, Dennis

Subject: RE: confirmation of East Lyme Future Flows and Loads

Hi Brad,

We are finalizing the flows and loads for the New London wastewater treatment plant and I wanted to run some estimates by you.

To determine the loads associated with East Lyme's flow, I used the future base wastewater flow of 2,800,000 GPD (from the email below) and subtracted the current average flow of 1,100,000 GPD to come up with an increase in the future base wastewater flow of 1,700,000 GPD. By dividing 1.7 MGD by 90 gallons per person per day, this is approximately 18,800 people that will connect to the system in the future (roughly 7,700 homes).

To estimate future BOD, TSS and TKN at the plant, we use the typical pollutant concentrations from TR-16 which are based on the population, so I am using a future population increase of 18,800 people to come up with the nutrient loads. I will use this population increase in our report, but if you feel it is incorrect, please let me know.

Thank you,

Maureen

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Sent: Friday, March 11, 2011 3:36 PM

To: Crowley, Maureen

Subject: RE: confirmation of East Lyme Future Flows

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**Sent:** Thursday, March 10, 2011 11:41 AM

To: Brad Kargl

Subject: re: confirmation of East Lyme Future Flows

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Also, please disregard my email about the Point O' Woods flows. I talked to Rob Prybylo about the project and he mentioned the homes are connecting now so the current flows are very low.

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June 1, 2012

Mr. Paul Formica, Chair, and Commission Members Water and Sewer Commission Town of East Lyme 108 Pennsylvania Avenue P. O. Box 519 Niantic, CT 06357

> Application of Landmark Development Group, LLC and Jarvis of Cheshire for Re: Confirmation of Sewer Capacity, Caulkins Road Property

Dear Chairman Formica and Commission Members:

This letter is an application to the East Lyme Water and Sewer Commission ("WSC") filed pursuant to § 7-246a(1) of the General Statutes, seeking confirmation of the availability of 237.090 gallons per day of sewage disposal capacity in the Town's sewer system to serve Landmark Development's proposed residential development adjacent to Caulkins Road.

A May 3, 2012 letter from Milone & MacBroom, Inc. providing a calculation of the sewer capacity needed is enclosed.

Please note that as provided in § 7-246a, applications filed under this statute are processed in accordance with the timeframes and procedures set forth in § 8-7d of the General Statutes.

This application is made at that time for several reasons. First, the Connecticut Superior Court in late 2011 ordered the East Lyme Planning and Zoning Commission to adopt a regulation that will facilitate residential development with sewers on part of the applicant's 236 acre Caulkins Road property; the applicant will be pursuing contemporaneously with this application the formal adoption of that regulation. Second, it has been confirmed that a portion of the applicant's land is indeed within the Town of East Lyme's "sewer shed" and entitled to allocation of sewage disposal capacity, which is required for the type of development that the Superior Court has determined to be appropriate for the subject land. Third, we have examined

Engineering, Landscape Architecture and Environmental Science



May 3, 2012

Mr. Glenn Russo Landmark Development Group 460 Smith Street, Suite A Middletown, CT 06457

RE: Projected Wastewater Flows

Riverview Heights
East Lyme, Connecticut
MMI #4845-01-1

Dear Mr. Russo:

Pursuant to your request, we have evaluated the proposed project in regard to wastewater generation rates. Based on plans and information provided by you, we understand the development to consist of the following:

Apartment Master Plan
408 one-bedroom apartments
432 two-bedroom apartments
Pending Application
678 two-bedroom town houses

Occupancy rates for the proposed development are estimated as follows:

One-bedroom units: assumed average 1.5 person occupancy Two-bedroom units: assumed average 2.5 person occupancy

Estimated average daily wastewater generation rates were derived from the following sources:

Wastewater Engineering – Treatment, Disposal and Reuse By Metcalf & Eddy, Inc., 3rd edition, 1991 Table 2-9

Low Rise Apartment Use Range 50-80 gal/person/day
Typical 65 gal/person/day

Guide for the Design of Wastewater Treatment Works
Technical Report #16, New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission, 2011
Section 2.2.3.2

Per Capita Flow 70 gal/capita/day

Mr. Glenn Russo May 3, 2012 Page 2

The wastewater flows for the project are estimated as follows:

Apartment Master Plan

408 one-bedroom units x 1.5 <u>person</u> x 70 <u>gal</u> = 42,840 gal/day unit person

432 two-bedroom units x 2.5 <u>person</u> x 70 <u>gal</u> = <u>75,600 gal/day</u> unit <u>person</u>

Subtotal

118,440 gal/day

Pending Town House Plan

678 two-bedroom units x 2.5 <u>person</u> x 70 <u>gal</u> = 118,650 gal/day unit person

Total Estimated Average Daily Project Wastewater Flow = 237,090 gal/day

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding the above.

Sincerely,

MILONE & MACBROOM, INC.

Stephen R. Dietzko, P.E.

Vice President

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the most recent Town / WSC sewage treatment plant reports, which demonstrate the availability of the amount of capacity requested. Fourth, we are aware of the Town's / WSC's plan to expand its sewer capacity beyond what is currently available.

Under § 7-246a, this application will be received at the WSC's next regular meeting. We request notification as to when the WSC would like the applicant to present this application.

Under the Connecticut Freedom of Information Act, we request a copy of all agendas and minutes that involve this application.

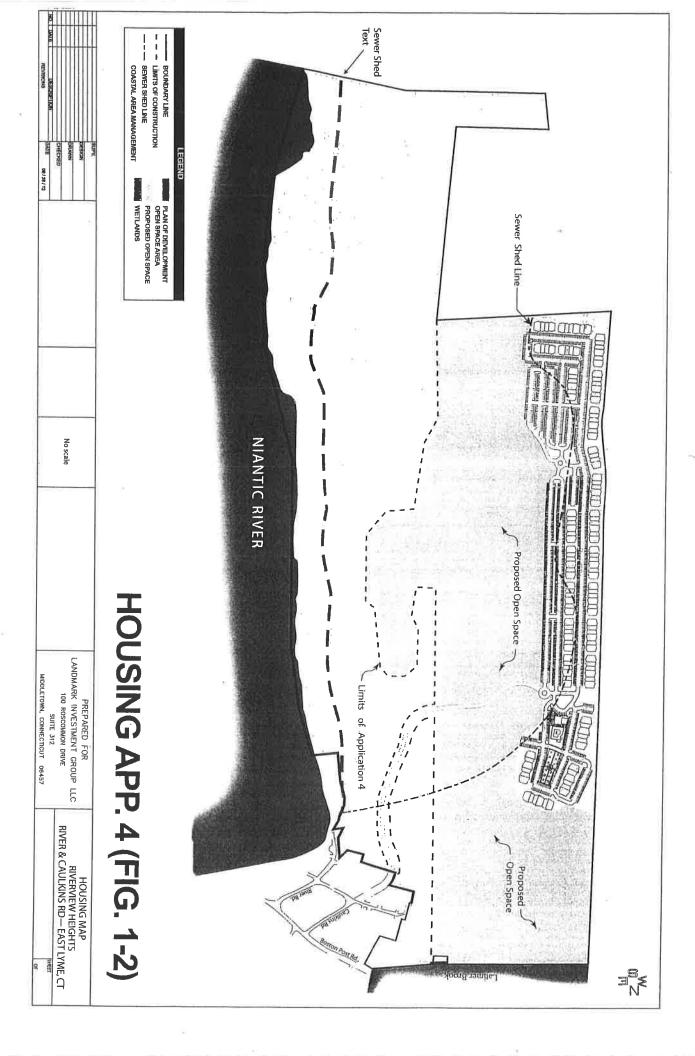
Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Timothy S. Hollister

TSH:ekf Enclosure

c: Glenn Russo (w/ enc.) Michael A. Zizka, Esq. (w/ enc.)



portion of it while also respecting the conservation and open space values of the town, the values that citizens of East Lyme or residents of the area hold in high regard but we are, frankly, within those limits trying to -- we are at a point where the issues is where, when, and how it's going to be developed, not whether.

And I say that really for two reasons; the first is after some what I'll call confusion ten years ago about whether this property was within the town's sewer shed, that's pretty well been confirmed either within the formal line that was drawn in 1999 or within the area adjacent to it which under the town rules is -- could be fed by a gravity sewer to the sewer area which by town practice and rule is incorporated into the sewer shed area.

The second and more recent development is that in November of 2011 a superior court judge evaluated the zoning commission's reasons in which it rejected any development of this property and the court sent it back to the zoning commission where the application is now to revise the zoning regulations, recognizing that a substantial portion of the property is developable and

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specifying the types of information that Landmark should submit to allow the zoning commission to conduct a final site plan evaluation on the roughly 35 acres out of 236 total at the westernmost -- I think most people are accustomed to looking at an East Lyme map in a north-south fashion, so the Niantic River and then the property runs north-south. So the Deerfield Condominium would be to the west and this is the area that's proposed for residential development. And also on this -- on this is the formal sewer shed line and then what we believe to be the gravity line that feeds into the sewer shed.

So 35 out of 236 acres on the relatively flat top portion of the site well over 1,000 feet from the Niantic River and so we're basically here in a somewhat indirect fashion on remand from the superior court to determine the infrastructure portion of what will eventually be the zoning commission's consideration of the site development plan.

Now, let me turn to what this application is and is not. I will agree with the limitations that Attorney O'Connell articulated. We're not here to talk about whether housing is a good idea

or a bad idea. We're not talking about zoning or
we're not talking about wetlands but let me focus
on the sewer capacity determination.

What's before you tonight is not a request to hook up immediately to the sewer because we still have to go through a process with at least the zoning commission, so really what you're being asked to do is confirm that sewer capacity is available, conditioned upon the fact that we need to go get final approval from the zoning commission.

Second thing, and this is — this is very important. The original request letter talks about a total of 236,000 gallons of sewer capacity but that is in two parts and it's very important for the commissioners to understand each part because I'm going to suggest at the end of the proceeding that you consider them separately. Part one is approximately 118,000 gallons. Again, the exact calculations are in Mr. Dietzko's letter. 118,000 gallons to support the proposed residential development that was considered in the court case and is now pending in front of the zoning commission.

When we were preparing that application



### III. EXISTING CONDITIONS

Data, maps, reports, and other information relevant to wastewater disposal within the planning area were collected from sources including:

- East Lyme First Selectman's Office
- East Lyme Engineering Department
- East Lyme Water and Sewer Department
- East Lyme Tax Assessor's Department
- East Lyme Zoning Department
- East Lyme Planning Department
- Waterford Water Pollution Control Authority
- Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)
- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
- Connecticut Office of Policy Management (CTOPM)
- United Stated Department of Agriculture (USDA)
- Economic Development Office
- United States Census Bureau

<u>Figure III-1</u> shows the planning area as outlined by the existing Sewer Service District. The results of the data investigation phase of the planning study are presented below.

### A. Existing Sewer Service District

The East Lyme Sewer Service District (SSD) was provided by the Water and Sewer Department, and is presented in <u>Figure III-1</u>. The Sewer Service District was originally created as part of the 1985 Wastewater Facilities Plan based on areas with failing septic systems, poor water quality, and development constraints. Additional input from each town department identified additional areas for inclusion in the SSD. The current SSD was last corrected by the Water & Sewer Commission on January 28, 2003.

The current Sewer Service District is approximately 6,360 acres and covers about 28% of the town's land area. 6,976 parcels are completely within the Sewer Service District with 322 parcels bifurcated (split) by the SSD. Based on 2000 US Census block data, the estimated population within the SSD is approximately 11,200 people. The US Census data shows that about 62% of the entire town population lives within the SSD.

The existing Sewer Service District was created from older, less accurate mapping. When the SSD boundary is overlayed on the updated GIS parcel base, the boundary lines do not exactly line up with roadways and properties as intended in previous renditions. A clear example of

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Factor - The land area of property versus entire town

Entire land area of East Lyme = 22,714 acres (Derived from Exhibit 8 - F&O report: 6361 acres of SSD = 28% of town land area).

35/22,714 (total town land area) = .0015, or .15%

### Sewer Service District less state lands:

State facilities area = 507 acres, which is derived from Exhibit 8, section III-4.

35/5853 (SSD – state lands) = .0059, or .59%

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### **CALCULATIONS**

**BASE EQUATION:** 

Using entire land area of Town:

X = 347 gpd

Or .0015 of remaining capacity for .0015 of available

land

Using SSD area less state lands:

$$X = 1345 \text{ gpd } (.006)$$

Or, .006 of available capacity for .006 of land area

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### **COMPARISON CALCULATIONS**

Using LM's 358,000 capacity figure

Using the entire town land area:

$$X = 551 \text{ gpd}$$

Or, .0015 of remaining capacity for .0015 of available land

Using SSD less state lands:

$$X = 2140 \text{ gpd}$$

Or, .006 of remaining capacity for .006 of available land

Using the <u>entire 236 acre LM area</u>, even they didn't request capacity for entire area and this goes beyond statute

X = 9072 gpd

Using LM capacity figure and the entirety of the LM property

X = 14,434 gpd

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October 28, 2014

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Paul Formica, Chair, and Commission Members Water and Sewer Commission Town of East Lyme 108 Pennsylvania Avenue P. O. Box 519 Niantic, CT 06357

> Application of Landmark Development and Jarvis of Cheshire For Sewer Re: Capacity Allocation; Remand From Superior Court

Dear Chair Formica and Commission Members:

Superior Court Judge Cohn has again remanded this matter to the Commission, for another decision based on the administrative record as compiled at hearings in August – October 2012. During the first remand conducted by the Commission in February 2014, Landmark / Jarvis determined that since the public hearing was not being re-opened, we should not actively comment on the remand. This time, in the interest of trying to resolve this matter, we have decided to comment on the remand, not to present new evidence or re-open the hearing, but to apprise the Commission of Landmark's position on the record as compiled at the 2012 hearings.

### What Is Not In Dispute

About 60 of Landmark's 236 acres, at the west side of the property, adjacent to the Deerfield development, are relatively flat, outside the coastal boundary, not wetlands; and within the sewer service district; Submitted

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- Landmark's property, on Route 1, abuts an approved sewer line extension, and the Deerfield Condominiums, which are sewered; and
- The Town of East Lyme is in no danger of ever exceeding its New London treatment plant capacity, as the State of Connecticut has consistently not used about half of its 468,000 contractually reserved gallons, leaving 200,000± gallons as a buffer against the Town's 1,500,000 gallon limit.

Judge Cohn's June 2014 decision and remand order state:

- This Commission cannot use sewer capacity allocation to control and use and zoning;
- The Commission cannot rely on the 2007 Fuss & O'Neill Report / Facilities Plan Supplement and its 2004 data, as the sewer numbers stated in that report, particularly Figure V-15, are based on zoning and are now shown to be inaccurate and out-of-date:
- "In court on May 27, 2014, the Commission's attorney conceded that the Commission would not object to a figure of 250,000 gpd";
- The Commission cannot reserve capacity indefinitely for unquantified, potential, long-term future needs; and
- The Commission's March 2014 allocation of 13,000 was unlawful and unreasonable.

In addition, the Commission should bear in mind that any allocation of sewer capacity is *conditional* on Landmark obtaining other land use approvals. A capacity allocation will not authorize construction.

### **Capacity Summary**

A summary of available sewer system capacity, based on the Commission's own data as put into the 2012 hearing record, is attached. The key points are that available capacity is more

Mr. Paul Formica, Chair, and Commission Members October 28, 2014 Page 3

than 300,000 gallons, such that even if the Commission allocated 118,000 to Landmark, it will retain approximately 190,000 gallons, which is enough to connect or serve 1,100 homes. This is *decades* of capacity.

In addition, based on the facts summarized above:

- 1. In its February March 2014 deliberations, the Commission determined that 177,000 gallons, the midpoint between the 130,000 and 225,000 gallonage it originally adopted in 2012, is its remaining capacity, and allocated 13,000 to Landmark, thus determining that a 164,000 gpd reserve was acceptable.
- 2. The Superior Court has now made a finding, binding on the Commission, that its capacity is not 177,000 <u>but 250,000</u>, allowing the Commission <u>to allocate 93,000 to Landmark without touching its 164,000 gpd reserve</u>.
- 3. In fact, Landmark submits that 308,000 gallons is the correct number), meaning that the Commission can allocate 118,000 to Landmark and still have 26,000 gpd more than it determined as its necessary reserve in March 2014.

We request that that Commission accept this compromise and end this aspect of the process.

Very truly yours,

Timothy S. Hollister

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c: Glenn Russo, Landmark Development Group LLC Stephen R. Dietzko, P.E., Milone & MacBroom, Inc.

### LANDMARK DEVELOPMENT EAST LYME WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION

### October 28, 2014

1.		wn of East Lyme's allocated sewer capacity at w London treatment plant	1,500,000 GPD
2.	Cap	pacity reserved by contract for State facilities	478,000
3.	Cap	pacity remaining for Town of East Lyme	1,022,000
4.	_	otember 2011 – September 2012 (most recent year data in record)	
	a.	Total usage Town and State facilities	978,000
	b.	Amount used by State facilities	264,000
	c.	Town's use: 978,000 – 264,000	714,000
	d.	CAPACITY AVAILABLE TO TOWN: 1,022,000 – 714,000	308,000
5.	200	se D. Lawrence State facilities flow calculation, 6-2012, 314,000 gallons, then (substitute ,000 for 264,000 above) Town capacity rises to	358,000

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## Sewer Department Monthly Report

Aug-12

Monthly Running Avg:
Daily Avg:
Daily Max:
Daily Min:

1,018,439 GPD 966,169 GPD

1,243,220 GPD

841,600 GPD

Daily Average as a Percent of Monthly Running Average: Daily Average as a Percent of 1.5 MGD Allotment at NLWWTP:

105.41% 67.90%

State CT Flows:					
	DOC	Camp Niantic	Rocky Nock	MOD	1
Actual CBD AVIC		Camp Manuc	NOCKY NECK	TOW	lotal
Actual GFD AVG.	221,464	7.854	0	25 240	2010
Design CBD AVG		. 900		ت ا دردد	204,037
Design OF D AVG.	250,000	58,400	64.600	105.000	478 000
% of Design CBD	20.000			. 00,000	710,0
a of pesigli GFD	88.6%	13.45%	0	33.64%	55.36%
% of East Lyme Average Daily Flow	21 75%	0.77%	0000	2000	
	1:::0/0	0.11/0	0.00%	3.4/%	25.98%
% of East Lyme 1.5 MGD Allotment	14.76%	0.52%	0.00%	2 35%	17 64%

Footnotes:

AVG.	JAN. FEB. MAR. APR. JUN. JUL. AUG. SEPT. OCT. NOV. DEC.
1,080,696	2005 1,081,493 1,084,724 1,002,300 1,112,100 1,091,659 1,093,098 1,119,647 1,051,086 1,004,498 1,177,896 1,051,614 1,098,235
1,101,289	2006 1,125,420 1,078,408 985,381 1,010,703 1,120,890 1,144,452 1,156,290 1,167,040 1,106,387 1,124,860 1,130,857 1,064,774
1,098,206	2007 1,137,320 1,027,091 1,083,167 1,205,514 1,135,617 1,136,675 1,187,186 1,158,667 1,068,659 1,026,567 1,011,845 1,000,163
1,102,447	2008 1,002,851 1,015,914 1,178,427 1,148,892 1,128,447 1,117,479 1,167,524 1,167,600 1,093,745 1,072,337 1,017,881 1,118,268
1,072,888	2009 1,081,072 1,025,974 1,026,586 1,075,581 1,053,265 1,122,961 1,195,467 1,162,253 1,039,287 997,294 991,412 1,103,500
1,063,694	2010 <sup>(1)</sup> 1,037,939 1,001,694 1,424,903 1,341,021 1,119,627 1,067,205 1,117,893 1,040,808 932,705 928,254 869,937 882,347
1,010,895	2011 918,818 959,700 1,001,537 938,509 1,046,507 1,017,256 1,027,843 970,097 1,167,520 966,767 983,082 1,133,107
966,169	2012 956,431 912,442 886,778 915,628 1,016,580 996,993 1,026,063 1,018,439
-34.56%	% +/- Prev. Yr. 4.09% -4.92% -11.46% -2.44% -2.86% -1.99% -0.17% 4.98% -100.00% -100.00% -100.00%

<sup>(1)</sup> March 30, 2010 storm event - 8.88 inches of rain/16.43 inches of rain for the month (Well 3A rain gauge)

# Usage of State of Connecticut Reserved Capacity

March 1, 2006 to February 29, 2012

Location	Allocated Flow (gpd)	Average Daily Flow (gpd) <sup>(1)</sup>	Allocation Remaining During Average Daily Flow (gpd)
Rocky Neck State Park	25,000	0.	25 000
Point O' Woods	105,000	17,133(2)	87,867
Pine Grove	39,600	39,600,3	
Gates and York Prisons	250,000	249,239	761
Camp Rell (Camp Niantic)	58,400	8,233	50.167 H
Total:	478,000	314,205	163,795

Data provided by the Town of East Lyme (March 2006 – February 2012) Not fully connected as of September 5, 2012.

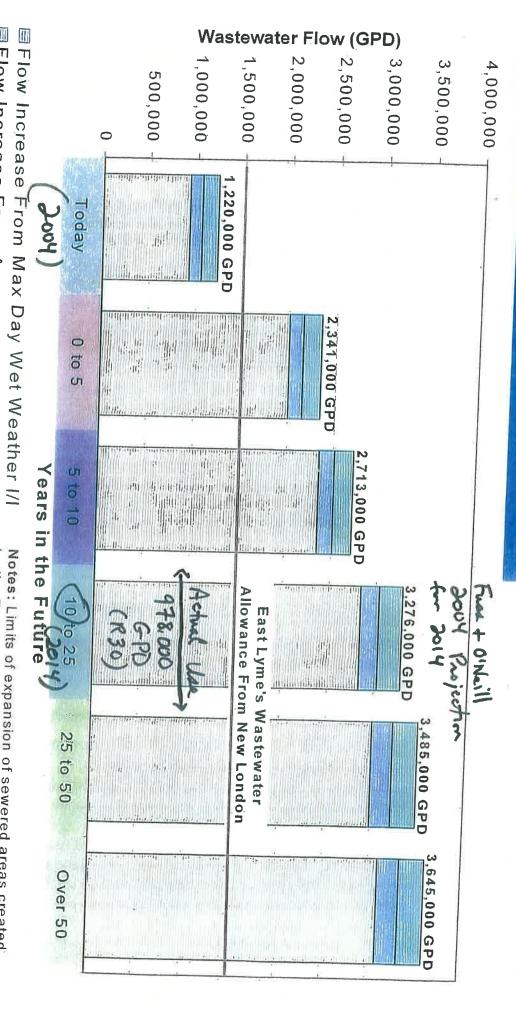
<u>@03</u> Estimated to be equal to allocated flow.

approximately 0.164 MGD of flow allocation remaining The State of Connecticut, by agreement and order, appears to have

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## East Lyme Sewer System Wastewater Flow Projections

FIGURE V-17



■Flow Increase From Average Wet Weather I/I ■Base Wastewater Flow

Notes: Limits of expansion of sewered areas created by the Town of East Lyme Planning Department. Includes existing max day I/I rate from 04/13/2004 and estimated future I/I amount based on TR-16.