

Kevin L. Shafer, P.E. Executive Director

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Willie L. Hines, Jr. Common Council President City of Milwaukee 200 East Wells Street, Room 205 Milwaukee, WI 53202-3570

Re: Briefing on the Water Quality Initiative / 2020 Facilities Plan

Dear President Hines:

I am writing to request that the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) be invited to appear before the Milwaukee Common Council Public Works Committee at its April 26, 2006, meeting to provide a briefing on the Water Quality Initiative.

MMSD is in the midst of a long-range facilities planning process called the Water Quality Initiative to improve water in the region. MMSD, the Southeastern Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC), and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) are collaborating on this study to identify improvements needed to accommodate growth and protect water quality through the year 2020.

MMSD is currently seeking public input for a number of preliminary alternatives that address pollution from both wastewater and storm water runoff. As part of the public involvement process, MMSD is giving presentations to legislative bodies throughout the region on the science and strategies behind the preliminary alternatives.

To give the Milwaukee Common Council its chance to participate in the planning process, I request that I be allowed to appear before the Public Works Committee the morning of April 26. My power point presentation would take about 30-45 minutes depending on the number of questions from Committee members.

To follow up on this request, please contact Steve Jacquart, MMSD Intergovernmental Coordinator, at 225-2138. Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely.

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