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James McAnerney
Mayor, City of Wathena
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Wathena, KS 66090

Re: City of Wathena water and sewer project

Dear Mayor McAnerney;

This letter is a follow up to my attending the City of Wathena council meeting February 1 to discuss areas of funding with the governing body. On behalf of Kansas Rural Water Association and USDA Rural Development, I appreciate the opportunity to meet with all of you.

I understand the City of Wathena is discussing the following projects:

1. Water line replacement and expansion on Boeh Lane with related looping.
2. Replace the manhole and sewer line in the area of Benton and 7th St.
3. Due to extreme water loss, replace current water meters with radio read meters.
4. Water and sewer line development on the west side of city.

We discussed several areas of funding to include the KS Department of Commerce Community Development Block Grant, KDHE State Revolving Loan fund, and USDA Rural Development ARRA loan/grant program. We also discussed present and future water and sewer rates and funding for the preliminary engineer report. The governing body will need to seek an engineer and grant writer. I will also be available to assist the City Clerk with filing the appropriate application.

The city may also be interested in attending the upcoming annual conference at Century II Convention Center in Wichita, March 30 – April 1. Agencies will be present to discuss projects and funding at length. Please feel free to contact Kansas Rural Water Association or me if we can be of other assistance. Also, visit the KRWA website www.krwa.net for news and information concerning water and wastewater utilities, training opportunities and other KRWA programs.

Again, thanks for opportunity to meet with all of you.

Respectfully,

Rita Clary
Technical Assistant

C: Jim Richardson, City Clerk
Dan Fischer, USDA Rural Development