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Tim Lentz  
Mayor, City of Horton  
PO Box 30  
Horton, KS 66439

Re: City of Horton water distribution improvements

Dear Mayor Lentz;

This letter is a follow up to my recent visits with the City of Horton governing body and the city's engineer, Pat Cox of BG Consultants, Lawrence, to discuss areas of funding and improvements for the city's water system. On behalf of Kansas Rural Water Association and USDA Rural Development, I appreciate the opportunity to meet with all of you.

On January 14, KRWA Techs Lonnie Boller, Tony Kimmi and I met with engineer Pat Cox and Dawn Succi, Water Plant Supervisor, to discuss improvements to the Horton water treatment plant, generally regarding treating surface water as a possible emergency back up. We also discussed water line expansion in the north-central area of the city. The possible improvements are part of the USDA Rural Development ARRA "stimulus" funding. This funding is the grant portion of the \$4,000,000 loan provided by USDA Rural Development for the ARRA Mission Lake dredging project.

The city may also be interested in attending the upcoming annual conference at the 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](http://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,

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Technical Assistant

C: Jim Whisenant, City Administrator  
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