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Elijah Jackson
City of Clifton
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Clifton, KS 66937

Dear Elijah;

This letter is in follow-up to my visit to the city on Thursday, June 24 to assist with by-passing the water storage tower because of the connection at the bottom of the tower coming apart.

I would like to thank you for allowing me to assist you with bypassing the tower to repair the leak. As we discussed the issue of why the pipe had settled and the possibility of it settling more and causing another leak is a concern. I suggested having a tower company look at it and see what they think, and what action should perhaps be taken to prevent further problems.

I was also glad to learn that you located the other leak that we were unable to locate Thursday night with my listening equipment.

We also discussed the advantage of the city having its own pressure relief valve and the benefit in cases of having to shut the tower down. During my visit you stated that you had never had to bypass the tower for inspection in the last nine years. If a company had been there to inspect it, this troubles me as I wonder how they can do a good inspection with out draining it. I will be in touch sometime to visit with you concerning that to perhaps learn more.

I enjoyed the opportunity to work with you on this and look forward to working with you in the future. If you have any questions please feel free to call me at 785-541-0342. Also, visit the KRWA website at www.krwa.net for news and information concerning water and wastewater utilities, training opportunities and other KRWA programs. I am copying this letter to Gary Smith at USDA Rural Development as the agency provides funding for the program that enabled me to help your city.

Again, thank you for the opportunity.

Sincerely,

Greg Metz
Technical Assistant

C: Galen Haas, Mayor
Gary Smith, USDA Rural Development