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Commissioner-designate Catherine McCabe
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Honorable Joseph Fiordaliso
President
State of New Jersey
Board of Public Utilities
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Dear Commissioner-designate McCabe and President Fiordaliso:

For several years, residents serviced by Trenton Water Works, including those who reside in Hamilton Township in our District, have expressed increasing concern regarding the quality and purity of the water as well as the ability for the system's infrastructure to function properly. In recent weeks, news reports have highlighted significant concerns including a malfunctioning filtration system, lack of public notification of contamination levels, alerts to boil and conserve water, and insufficient staffing ratios.

While we realize that the complicated structure of Trenton Water Works creates different forms of state oversight to the towns served, we are hoping that both the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the Board of Public Utilities (BPU) can come together to address the concerns of the public. We respectfully request a joint meeting lead by your state agency heads, ourselves as state legislative representatives, local community representatives, and management of Trenton Water Works to seek critical solutions to these on-going, growing problems to ensure the health and safety of our constituents.

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We are committed to protecting the public health and safety of our District's residents. It is simply unacceptable for water quality and infrastructure to be failing the public so greatly and frequently.

We understand that a directive has been issued by DEP to Trenton Water Works in with a private, licensed contractor by the first week in February to put in place sufficient staff that can operate the filtration plant. This would be a critical first step to stabilizing the current situation. However, we believe that we must come together to create long-term solutions to avoid harmful water hazards going forward.

Please contact our District via Elizabeth A. Meyers at (609) 631-7501 to arrange the joint meeting requested. Thank you in advance for your expeditious time and consideration of this important public safety issue.

Sincerely,



Senator Linda R. Greenstein



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