BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY ORDINANCE NO. 21-13

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING CONSENT AND PERMISSION TO SUEZ WATER - NEW JERSEY, INC. TO FURNISH WATER TEATMENT, STORAGE AND CONVEYANCE SERVICE IN THE BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE, NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the Borough of Allendale, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey (the "Borough"), hereby grants consent and permission to Suez Water New Jersey, Inc. ("Suez"), a New Jersey Corporation to furnish potable water service within the Borough; and

WHEREAS, Suez is in the process of acquiring the water system (the "System") currently owned and operated by the Borough, which has been approved by the voters of the Borough on November 2, 2021, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:62-5; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of having Suez acquire the Systems; and

WHEREAS, Suez is a regulated public utility corporation of the State of New Jersey presently seeking the municipal consent of the Borough to permit Suez to provide water treatment, storage and conveyance service through the System; and

WHEREAS, Suez has requested the consent of the Borough as required by N.J.S.A. 48:19-17 and 48:19-20, as amended, to lay its pipes beneath and restore such public roads, streets and places as it may deem necessary for its corporate purposes, free from all charges to be made for said privilege (except that fees for road opening permits shall be paid), provided that all said pipes installed after the date of this ordinance shall be laid at least three feet (3') below the surface and shall not in any way unnecessarily obstruct or interfere with the public travel or cause or permit other than temporary damage to public or private property; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed to be in the best interests of the citizens of the Borough to provide this consent;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough have concluded that granting of said consent shall enhance the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Borough.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. That exclusive and perpetual consent and permission to furnish water conveyance to the Borough and all residents, businesses and government buildings therein is hereby given and granted to Suez, its successors and assigns, subject to the permission by the Board of Public Utilities of the State of New Jersey.
- Section 2. That exclusive consent and permission is given to Suez, its successors and assigns, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 48:19-17 and N.J.S.A. 48:19-20, as amended, without charge therefore, (except fees for road opening permits which shall be paid) as the same may be required in order to permit Suez to own and operate the System, add to, extend, replace, operate and maintain said System in the public property described herein in order to provide said wastewater conveyance service. This shall include permission to lay pipes beneath the public roads, streets, public property and public places.

Section 3. That a certified copy of this Ordinance, upon final passage, shall be sent to Suez, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the Board of Public Utilities of the State of New Jersey.

Section 4. That the consent granted herein shall be subject to Suez complying with all applicable laws of the Borough and/or the State of New Jersey including, but not limited to, any and all applicable statutes and administrative agency rules and/or regulations and contingent upon the Borough and Suez executing the Agreement of Sale Between the Borough of Allendale and Suez Water New Jersey, Inc, as the same may be amended from time to time.

Section 5. The Mayor and the Clerk of the Borough are authorized to execute the documents and agreements necessary to effectuate this municipal consent.

Section 6. Each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase, and the finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause, or reason, shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

Section 7. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any portion of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid as a matter of law, such declaration shall not affect the remainder of said Ordinance; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Allendale on

December 16, 2021

Mayor Ari Bernstein

Michelle Ryan

Acting Municipal Clerk