RESOLUTION NO. 0037 - 2020

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RESOLUTION OF THE BERKELEY TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY, TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NJ, REGARDING LATE FEES AND TAX SALE PARTICIPATION

WHEREAS, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there have been several Orders implemented by the State of New Jersey regarding collection of fees for utility service during the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Governor Murphy's latest Executive Order No. 190 has again imposed restrictions regarding collection of late fees; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed in the best interest of the Berkeley Township Municipal Utilities

Authority (hereinafter referred to as the "Authority") to memorialize actions to be taken in

connection with said Order;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED this 12th day of November, 2020, by the Berkeley Township Municipal Utilities Authority as follows:

- 1. Late fees which were re-imposed commencing in July of 2020 are hereby confirmed and late fee charges shall continue to accrue on any delinquent accounts as in the past in the normal course of business.
- 2. In accord with the referenced Governor's Order, there shall be no attempt to collect on any late fees for the 2020 calendar year whether or not the imposition of those late fees for nonpayment of water and utility charges were related to the COVID-19 crisis and they shall continue to accrue.
- 3. As the result of the continuing Orders imposed by the State of New Jersey and information received from the Berkeley Township Tax Collector, the Authority will not be participating in the tax sale process for delinquent 2020 accounts.

4. The prior resolution passed by the Authority (25-2020) shall remain in full force and effect relating to discretion being granted to the Executive Director regarding the accrual of penalties for nonpayment of utility charges.

5. The Authority hereby authorizes and directs the Chairperson, Secretary and Executive Director to execute any and all necessary documents in order to implement the intent of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded by the Executive Director to the following:

a. Honorable Michael W. Hale, Chairperson;

b. The Municipal Clerk of the Township of Berkeley;

c. The Tax Collector of the Township of Berkeley; and

d. Berry, Sahradnik, Kotzas & Benson.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Berkeley Township Municipal Utilities Authority, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey at a regular meeting held on the 12th day of November, 2020, a quorum being present and voting in the majority.

Edward F. Cammarato, Authority Secretary

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