HOLMES COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT

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Environmental Rate Consultants 2113 Greenbriar Place Union, Kentucky 41091

RE: SEWER RATE STUDY

To Whom It May Concern:

In January 2009, the Holmes County Sewer District contracted Environmental Rate Consultants, Inc. (ERC) to perform a Sewer Rate Study. I am pleased with all the work that they have done in developing a complete and comprehensive evaluation for our county.

The rate study was a very integrated process with the financial and billing data that was collected. With this information a 2 year analysis was generated and adopted with a uniform sewer rate and access fee for the entire Sewer District. Along with this, an aggressive collections and grant application program was instituted. This study was performed in accordance with APWA and WEF.

ERC also consulted with our staff members in creating a new billing program that is simple and user friendly. They provided on site training and are prompt to answer questions that arise.

The financial analysis and rate calculations provided by Environmental Rate Consultants, Inc. for Holmes County, Ohio was provided on time and in a professional manner. I would recommend John & Al Damico with ERC to any community with financial and sewer rate study needs.

Sincerely,

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