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To Whom it May Concern:

Re: Storm Water Utility Implementation

In May 2003 the City of Milford hired Environmental Rate Consultants, Inc. (ERC) to establish a storm water utility. During this process, ERC provided strategic planning, advised City staff in the development of policies and procedures, and facilitated internal technical meetings, as well as public advisory committee meetings.

When we hired ERC, the City was in a transition from a gross-area method of calculating storm water run-off to an impervious area method. Although we had City Council support, we did not have support from the business community. Internally we were uncertain of the financial logistics of creating a sound and equitable utility. John and Al Damico provided the financial expertise and advice to assist us in the creation and implementation of such a utility. Through presentations and facilitation, the Damicos were able to answer questions from the public, increase staff's confidence, and gain overall support.

Throughout this process, ERC has been very committed to the City of Milford, even though we are much smaller than most of their clients. We have been extremely satisfied with their professionalism and their dedication to our needs and goals. We would highly recommend ERC.

If you have any questions about our program, please do not hesitate to contact me at 513-248-5092.

Sincerely,

Sara Imhulse

Assistant to the City Manager