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To: Jacqueline L. Bucholz
City Clerk
City of Albany

Date: June 21, 2010

From: Randolph W. Leptien
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Contract City Engineer
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Re: Proposed Increase in
Sewer Service Charge
CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Dear Ms Bucholz,

This should serve to confirm that the attached "Notice of Proposed Increase in Monthly Sewer Service Charge" was mailed to each owner of record with sewer service within the City according to the addresses listed on the Alameda County Assessor's last equalized ownership roll.

Also attached is PS Form 3602-R1, evidencing that the notices were mailed on June 2, 2010, which is more than 45 days before the proposed July 19, 2010 public hearing.

By:

Copy: Richard Cunningham, Public Works Manager





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NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN MONTHLY SEWER SERVICE CHARGE

Dear Property Owner:

The City of Albany provides sanitary sewer service to the residents and businesses within the city. Sanitary sewer service includes constructing, operating and maintaining public main sewer pipelines as well as the lower portion of the lateral sewer that serves each property.

To pay for these services, the city collects a monthly Sewer Service Charge from each property connected to the sewer system. The service charge rates are calculated for each customer group based on the cost to provide service, considering both the quantity of sewage discharged and other sewage characteristics affecting the cost for treatment. For most property owners, this charge is billed as a line item labeled "City Sewer Service" on the property tax bill they receive from Alameda County.

FOR RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS, each single-family home, townhouse, condominium, apartment, and other multi-family home is charged a uniform rate for sewer service. The current residential rate is \$25.29 per month. In July of 2007 the City Council, following a duly noticed and conducted public hearing directed that the sewer service charge be adjusted between 2010 and 2017 by the rate of the annual change in the San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose Regional Consumer Price Index, all urban (hereafter "CPI"), unless otherwise determined by Council. On May 17, 2010 the City Council upon recommendation of staff adopted a resolution proposing an additional increase of up to \$2 per month plus the previously authorized adjustment for the increase in the CPI, beginning in July, 2010, in each of the next successive 5 years, through June of 2015.

RATES FOR NONRESIDENTIAL DISCHARGERS will be adjusted in proportion to the increase in residential rates.

REASON FOR INCREASE This increase in the sewer service charge is necessary to pay for increases in costs that are due to a new Administrative Order issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency which is intended to reduce Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs). The increase will pay for the acceleration of the scheduled rehabilitation and replacement of aging sewer lines in the City in order to reduce the probability for SSOs in accordance with the City's Sewer System Management Plan. The increase is being recommended pursuant to the report submitted by Bartle Wells Associates, Independent Financial Consultants of Berkeley, California. A copy of the Bartle Wells Associates and City staff reports are available for review on the City's website at <http://www.albanyca.org/> and at the Community Development Department located at 1000 San Pablo Ave., Albany, CA 94706.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on this matter in the council chambers, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany, on Monday, July 19, 2010 at 7:30 p.m., at which time and place interested persons may appear and be heard. Written comments or protests may be delivered to the City Clerk at 1000 San Pablo Ave., Albany, CA, 94706 and must be received by 5:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing to ensure a full review. At the public hearing, the Council will receive comments regarding the proposed fees. The Council may enact the new rates only if written protests of the proposed fees are not received from a majority of the affected property owners prior to the close of the public meeting. If you have questions about the proposed increase in the Sewer Service Charge, please contact the Albany Public Works Division at (510) 524-9543 or by email per the address provided on the City Website.

Notice mailed prior to June 3, 2010.

United States Postal Service
Postage Statement—Standard Mail

Post Office: Note Mail Arrival Date & Time
 (Do Not Puncture Stamp)

Mailer	Permit Holder's Name and Address and Telephone Email Address, If Any	Telephone	Name and Address of Mailing Agent (If other than permit holder)	Telephone	Name and Address of Individual or Organization for Which Mailing is Prepared (If other than permit holder)
	CITY OF ALBANY 405 KAINS AVE ALBANY, CA 94706		FORREST BOOK INC JB SERVICES 4960 BLUM ROAD MARTINEZ, CA 94553	925.370.1775	
	CAPS Cust. Ref. No. _____ Customer No. _____		Customer No. _____		Customer No. _____

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