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The Borough of Boyertown water system consists of 700 plus acres of watershed property, which includes Trout Run Dam, Popodickon Dam, and the water treatment plant all located in Earl Township, and approximately 24 miles of distribution lines. The distribution system includes the Borough, as well as portions of Colebrookdale Township, Berks County and Douglass Township, Montgomery County.

The Borough has a Lease and Management Agreement with the Boyertown Water Authority. Under the agreement the Borough leases the system to the Authority who oversees extensions to the system and establishes the water rates. The agreement stipulates that management and daily operation of the system is the responsibility of the Borough. The Borough has a contract with Severn Trent Environmental Services for operation of the water plant and maintenance of the distribution system; the Project Manager is Marc DesAutels.

The consulting engineer for the Boyertown Water Authority and the Borough is The Pidcock Company. The engineer provides monthly reports to the Water Authority and the Public Utilities Committee of Borough Council. With the assistance of the consulting engineer, and Mr. DesAutels, the Public Utilities Committee of Borough Council monitors the system management and makes recommendations for long term capital projects.

A major project undertaken in 2008 is the expansion of the Popodickon Dam Spillway, which is currently underway. In 2009 a Booster Pump System will be installed at the Water Plant to more effectively control the level of water in the Cannon Hill Water Tanks.

The Boyertown Water Authority and the Public Utilities Committee of Borough Council will continue to face the challenge of maintaining the quality of water produced and future expansion of the customer base with future supply of water and funds for capital improvements. Water is a precious resource and the water system is a very important asset of the Borough. We pledge our best effort to ensure its future.

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