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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY CHANCERY DIVISION MIDDLESEX COUNTY

DOCKET NO.: C-4122-73

URBAN LEAGUE OF GREATER NEW BRUNSWICK, et al.

GARFIELD & COMPANY

Plaintiffs,

VS.

ATTORNEYS FOR

THE MAYOR and COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF CARTERET, et al.,

Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION

AFFIDAVIT OF DONALD E. FETZER

DONALD E. FETZER being duly sworn deposes and says:

- 1. I am a professional engineer employed by Van Note-Harvey Associates, a firm of consulting engineers, planners and land surveyors.
- 2. My firm has been retained to conduct a feasibility study for water and sewer availability on the land owned by Garfield & Company in the Township of Cranbury.
- 3. The Garfield tract is situated in the eastern most portion of Cranbury just on the border with Monroe Township. As part of my investigation I therefore contacted the executive director of the Monroe Township Municipal

Utilities Authority. This agency supplies both water and sewer service throughout Monroe.

- 4. The executive director of the Monroe Utilities Authority, Mr. Michael Rogers, expressed an willingness to consider providing utilities to the Garfield & Company site.
- 5. The most economical method of sewering the Garfield site would involve pumping waste water through a twelve inch force main to a Forsgate Treatment Plant located in Monroe. At the moment the 1.5 million gallon per day Forsgate Plant is operating at capacity and cannot accept any additional flow. However, on June 20, 1985 a public hearing was held and on July 3, 1985 the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders adopted an amendment to the Lower Raritan/Middlesex County Water Quality Management Plan which includes conversion of the Forsgate Plant to a 5.5 to 6.0 million gallon per day pumping facility.
- 6. After conversion, sewage will be pumped from the Forsgate site to the Middlesex County Utilities Authority Treatment Plant in Sayreville via the Outcalt Pump Station.
- 7. This conversion is being undertaken by a group of eleven developers in cooperation with Monroe Township Municipal Utilities Authority. Inclusion of the Garfield tract flows would necessitate increasing the pump station and force main design by .5 million gallons per day.
- 8. As the Forsgate Treatment Plant conversion project is now being formulated, it is vital that the Garfield & Company tract be included in this planning process. If the plan is made final and the conversion take place without inclusion of the Garfield tract, the cost of sewering the Garfield tract will almost certainly increase by more than a million dollars and perhaps by as much as five million dollars.

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9. The executive director of the Monroe Township Municipal Utilities Authority has emphasized the necessity that all developers interested in participating in the conversion project sign up immediately. Otherwise, there will be no capacity allowed to them. Any delay in joining with these other developers could significantly increase the cost of developing the Garfield tract for residential housing.

DONALD E. FETZER

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Sworn and subscribed to before me this 19th day of September, 1985.

Notary Public