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Dear Mr. Basralian:

I was retained in 1981 as a consultant on water resources issues that pertain to the development of the Dobbs' site in Bedminster Township and the Township's proposed compliance with the Mt. Laurel II opinion, more specifically as described in the report of G.M. Raymond to the Court, dated January 10, 1984. My specific areas of concern are water supply, wastewater disposal, and stormwater management. The comments contained herein are based on information obtained from review of official state reports on wastewater facilities for the Upper Raritan, personal interviews, telephone calls and on-site investigations.

My review included the January 8, 1984 letter from R. T. Coppola to G. M. Raymond re: Bedminster Township's Zone Plan: Meeting its "Mt. Laurel II" Obligations and my analysis indicates a number of discrepancies, as follows:

1. The EDC plant is designed to treat 850,000 gpd. Any expansion to 1,250,000 gpd will necessitate construction of an additional facility contiguous to the present site. Mr. Coppola incorrectly states in his letter that "The EDC plant is designed to accommodate 1,250,000 gpd\*\*\*." In fact the plant is designed to treat 850,000 gpd and any expansion thereof will require, at a minimum, construction of additional facilities contiguous to the present plant which can only take place after the receipt of numerous approvals from various governmental agencies.

2. The current allocation of the EDC plant is as follows:

Hills Development:	800,000 gpd
Pluckemin Village:	27,500 gpd
City Federal :	<u>22,500 gpd</u>
	850,000 gpd

3. The actual needs for the Hills' development will probably be higher than the aforementioned 800,000 gpd. For example, if we assume 240 gpd/DU, the expected effluent generation at build-out would be as follows:

Bedminster:	1287 DU at 240 gpd/DU =	308,880 gpd
Bernards:	1913 DU at 240 gpd/DU =	459,120 gpd
Commercial:	350,000 ft. <sup>2</sup> at 0.125 gpd/ft. <sup>2</sup> =	<u>43,750 gpd</u>
	Total	811,750 gpd

Note that the effluent generation value for Bernards is on the low side if the type of housing is expected to be single family. The usual estimator for single family is 360 gpd/DU. In any case, the estimated effluent generation of 811,750 gpd from the Hills' development is clearly in excess of 800,000 gpd.

4. It is unclear in the Coppola letter of January 8, 1984 how the sewerage treatment needs for the EDC franchise area is expected to be 858,488 gpd, especially when one includes sites I, J, and L within the franchise area in addition to the Hills site on site K. It is worth noting that no attempt was made to disaggregate the 858,488 gpd estimate in the Coppola letter.

5. The 27,500 gpd residual reserved for Pluckemin is already earmarked for existing residential and commercial units within the Pluckemin area. Accordingly, the expectation of sewerage Site L to provide 177 housing units is unrealistic as these units alone would require 42,500 gpd.

6. The Bedminster/Far Hills (BFH) plant had an average flow of 155,000 gpd in 1983 which reflects the essentially zero flows of AT&T on the weekend. Using this average in itself is misleading since the average 5-day average flow to the BFH plant is 190,000 gpd. Therefore, the presumed "surplus" of 55,000 gpd in the Coppola letter of January 8, 1984 is really only 10,000 gpd. However, the 30-day average flow to the plant was 199,700 and 204,400 gpd in March and April of 1983, respectively. These high 30-day average flows reflect infiltration/inflow problems in the Far Hills system.

The 5-day average flow from AT&T varies from 70,000 to 110,000 gpd. Therefore, it is unrealistic to expect that AT&T can release its "excess capacity" as such excess capacity does not exist.

7. a) In conclusion, it is apparent that the Bedminster plant is at or near its design capacity of 200,000 gpd. Any additional flow coming into the plant would necessitate expansion.

b) It is unclear how the EDC plant can accept additional effluent beyond the current allocation of 850,000 gpd for Hills, Pluckemin and City Federal without the construction of additional facilities on land contiguous to the present site.

c) In my opinion, there is inadequate capacity within the BHF and EDC plants to accommodate the wastewater from any further development beyond that which is already allocated.

Very truly yours,

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Dr. Hordon has served as consultant on several governmental projects. Representative water resources planning work includes:

- Havens & Emerson, Inc., New Jersey
- Mendham Township, New Jersey
- Round Valley, Inc.
- State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs
- State of New Jersey, Division of Water Resources

- Sutton Construction Co., Inc., New Jersey
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District
- U.S. Department of Agriculture

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Dr. Hordon has been a participant in two water research projects sponsored by the Office of Water Resources Research (now called the Office of Water Resources and Technology) of the U.S. Department of the Interior. The first project concerned the development of a simulation model for the water supply networks of the New York-New Jersey metropolitan area. The same region (with all of its associated complexity) was used as a case study for an empirically-derived water quality simulation model. In both projects, Dr. Hordon was responsible for the acquisition, storage and retrieval of the pertinent hydrologic and geologic data.

Another study, sponsored by the Center for Urban Policy Research of Rutgers University, concerned an environmental assessment of a large housing development proposed for a site in Mahwah, New Jersey. Both on-site aspects and regional issues of water supply and wastewater disposal were considered.

Dr. Hordon was a consultant to the Special Studies Branch of the Northeastern Water Supply Study (NEWS) of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in New York. He prepared a report on water supply agency interconnections in northern New Jersey. Additional consulting experiences include participation in a Natural Resources Inventory (NRI) for Chatham Township, New Jersey and the preparation of a draft NRI sourcebook for the Institute of Environmental Studies at Rutgers University. The latter work was sponsored by the Department of Community Affairs in Trenton.

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