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Chester County Commissioners Office
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Dear Commissioners Farrell, Kichline & Cozzone,

The Upper Oxford Township Board of Supervisors has been made aware of the recent unsolicited offer from Aqua America to purchase the Chester Water Authority (CWA). We know that the current Board of Directors for CWA has declined the offer, but have also been made aware that all three Chester County seats on this Board are up for appointment by your Board of Commissioners at your September 21st meeting.

We are writing to you today to ask that you reappoint Paul Andriole and Leonard Rivera as Chester County representatives to the Chester Water Authority Board of Directors. Since Mr. Chiomento is not seeking reappointment to his position on the Board, we are asking that your third appointee be someone who will stand up for the residents of Southern Chester County and say NO to the sale of CWA's assets.

The appointment of pro-sale Board members could drastically affect the quality-of-life for your residents throughout southern Chester County. The sale of CWA's assets to a for-profit entity will not only affect southern Chester County resident and business ratepayers, it could also affect our local natural resources.

CWA currently owns the Camp Tweedale property in Lower Oxford as well as the Octoraro Reservoir. The sale of CWA will likely lead to the sale of the Camp Tweedale property, closing public use of the Reservoir (as Aqua America has done at their other purchased sites recently), and will most definitely result in increased costs for water service to ratepayers throughout southern Chester County.

We hope that you seriously consider our request and make the appropriate appointments at your September 21st meeting.

Sincerely,

UPPER OXFORD TOWNSHIP
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