RESOLUTION NO. 54-14

THE BRICK TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

May 19, 2014

A Resolution for the Adoption and Endorsement of the Metedeconk River Watershed Protection and Restoration Plan

WHEREAS, the Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority (the "Authority") provides drinking water to more than one hundred thousand (100,000) residents of northern Ocean County and southern Monmouth County, and relies on the Metedeconk River for approximately seventy-five percent (75%) of its water supply; and,

WHEREAS, the Authority recognized the projected water supply deficits for the region and constructed a 860 million (860,000,000) gallon raw water reservoir which is filled with water pumped from the Metedeconk River; and,

WHEREAS, the Authority is committed to comprehensive management and protection of its raw water sources; and

WHEREAS, the support and participation of Ocean and Monmouth Counties, the municipalities and other stakeholders is vital to effective water resource planning and stormwater management in the Metedeconk River watershed; and,

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (the "NJDEP") recognized the Authority's watershed protection efforts and allocated grant funding to the Authority for the development and implementation of the Metedeconk River Watershed Protection and Restoration Plan (the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Authority worked closely with the Metedeconk watershed municipalities, Ocean and Monmouth Counties, and other stakeholders to develop the Plan, which was finalized and approved by NJDEP on May 23, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Plan identifies projects and other measures to address existing water quality impairments and safeguard the Metedeconk River as a water supply source, major Barnegat Bay tributary, and environmentally sensitive and important regional water resource; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Maggio, P.E., Director of Water Quality, recommends that the Plan be formally adopted by the Authority; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE BRICK TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY as follows:

 The Authority hereby adopts and endorses the Metedeconk River Watershed Protection and Restoration Plan.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority of the Township of Brick, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, held on Monday, May 19, 2014.

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Asst. Secretary/Treasurer