

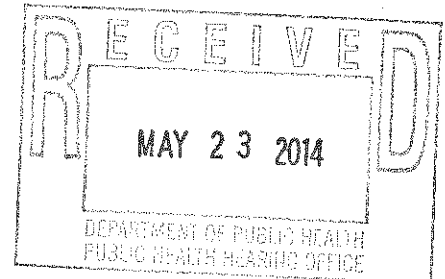
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Re: Water Utility Coordinating Committee (WUCC) Boundary Alteration
South Central Regional Water Authority Comments

Dear Ms. Keenan:

In response to the Department of Public Health's (DPH) proposed boundary revisions, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority (SCCRWA) would like to offer the following comments.

Under the proposed boundaries, we believe that the Central Connecticut Corridor contains too many municipalities and non-municipal water companies to be effective. The logistics of scheduling meetings, working through meeting agendas, and developing consensus around issues would be difficult at best. Additionally, this WUCC would contain many of the largest water utilities in the state who may have competing interests regarding Exclusive Service Areas (ESAs). If the Central Connecticut Corridor WUCC boundary does remain as proposed, we suggest dividing the larger area into two smaller 'sub-areas'. Then, a WUCC co-chairperson could be designated for each sub-area who would report to a WUCC Executive Committee. This type of division should also be considered for the proposed Western Connecticut WUCC.

SCCRWA would also like to request an extension of the public comment period to allow time to review the record of Public Hearing and the DPH responses. Reviewing these documents would not only be helpful to SCCRWA, but also other towns and utilities to understand the reasoning and criteria which helped defined the proposed boundaries. It would also help to ensure that towns and utilities affected by the proposed changes are aware of how the changes may affect them and have adequate time to comment.

We appreciate your consideration of these comments during the process of finalizing the future WUCC boundaries. Please feel free to contact myself or Ted Norris at (203) 401-2673 with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,



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