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Drinking Water Section

December 8, 2016

Ms. Helen Muniz Department of Housing 505 Hudson Street Hartford, CT 06106

Re: Notice of Scoping for Westbrook Village, Hartford

Dear Ms. Muniz:

The Department of Public Health (DPH) Drinking Water Section (DWS) has reviewed the subject Notice of Scoping. The proposed Westbrook Village project consists of demolition of 360 existing housing units and new construction of 360 housing units within the public drinking water service area of the Metropolitan District Commission (PWSID# CT0640011) (MDC). The proposed project is not within a public drinking water supply source water area; therefore the DWS has no source protection comments to offer.

The DWS believes that new developments should be designed to use water wisely. This is especially true today, considering the existing drought watch issued by the Governor and the MDC's request to its customers for voluntary water conservation. The DWS recommends that the proposed development implements measures that conserve the use of public drinking water. The Environmental Protection Agency's Water Sense program and numerous voluntary green building standard model codes are available as references to assist designers in achieving sustainable developments. Links to these programs and more can be found on the DWS's webpage dedicated to <u>water conservation</u>.

Sincerely,

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