

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE  
VIRGINIA WATER AND WASTEWATER AGENCY RESPONSE NETWORK  
MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the National Infrastructure Protection Plan and in particular the Sector Specific Plan for the Water Sector developed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency identifies the development of a Water and Wastewater Agency Response Network in each State as an important means of helping to ensure resilient water and wastewater infrastructure in the public interest; and

**WHEREAS**, in furtherance of such national Water Sector plan, Virginia's longstanding, nationally-recognized professional associations known as the Virginia Section of the American Water Works Association ("VA AWWA") and the Virginia Water Environment Association ("VWEA") have jointly formed the Virginia Water and Wastewater Agency Response Network ("VA WARN") Committee to develop the EPA-recommended network and associated procedures for implementation in Virginia; and

**WHEREAS**, the VA WARN Committee has developed the attached form of a VA WARN Mutual Aid Agreement for use by public and private Water Sector utilities for purposes of requesting assistance and responding to such requests as well as a related form of an Event Agreement for providing assistance of a defined scope on defined terms and conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, this VA WARN Mutual Aid Agreement is intended to supplement and integrate with the Statewide Mutual Aid Program administered by the Virginia Department of Emergency Management, with the Emergency Management Assistance Compact, and with other mutual aid agreements of local, intrastate and interstate scope; and

**WHEREAS**, [INSERT NAME] owns or operates [SELECT AS APPROPRIATE: water supply facilities, wastewater facilities, or water and wastewater facilities], is responsible for public water supply or wastewater management in the Commonwealth of Virginia, and is therefore eligible to participate in VA WARN and the VA WARN Mutual Aid Agreement.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the [INSERT NAME OF GOVERNING BODY], that the [INSERT TITLE OF CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER] is hereby authorized to execute the VA WARN Mutual Aid Agreement, which is hereby approved.

Adopted by the [INSERT NAME OF GOVERNING BODY] this [INSERT DAY] day of [INSERT MONTH], 2009.