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Subject: Drinking Water Program Fees Proposed Changes

Mr Fortunati, this email is to address the proposed drinking water annual assessment fees. First M&T SEWER AND WATER is strongly opposed to any additional fees levied against the public for the sole purpose of funding an Idaho State regulatory agency.

In addition to the above objection, the District currently has the following concerns with this specific proposal;

- 1) as proposed, the new rule would increase M&T's current assessment by 100%.
- 2) as proposed this rule unfairly places a higher cost burden on the smaller rural districts than on large districts. For example, our district would pay \$10 per connection, while Idaho Falls would only pay \$6 per connection. That is a huge disparity.

Please keep us directly informed on any public meetings, or decisions regarding this matter.

Respectfully

Thomas Wheeler, President Mudlake & Terreton sewer and water board of directors.