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To Members of the McKownville
Water Advisory Board.

I am attaching a chart containing comparative figures and information relative to the proposed consolidation of the McKownville and Westmere Water Districts.

It appears that after consolidation and the savings effected by a lower water cost per M gallons there would be an increase over the 1977 tax rate of \$0.861 per M gallons. It may also be noted that even the 1977 rate, now a fact, has nearly doubled over the 1975 rate.

Eventually the Westerly Water District now being set up will also be merged. I cannot forecast the effect of this on the future tax rate. Also to be considered is the shock already imposed on some McKownville Property Owners by the second reassessment in three years. Unresolved are the value of assets in property of the McKownville Water District and other items.

Please study these figures and formulate some thoughts on the matter. We will try for an early January meeting and attempt to break the impasse we have run into on meetings.

Best wishes for the Holidays

Fred B. Abele, Chairman

PROPOSED CONSOLIDATION - MCKOWNVILLE and WESTMERE Water Districts

	MCKOWNVILLE WATER DISTRICT	WESTMERE WATER DISTRICT	WESTMERE EXTENSION NO1	PROPOSED CONSOLIDATED DISTRICTS
1975 Assessed Valuation Raise by Taxes Tax Rate	\$ 4,059,100 \$ 44,537.30 \$ 10.9722/M	\$ 13,114,400 \$ 260,060.58 \$ 19.83/M	- - \$ 23.014/M	\$ 17,173,500 \$ 304,597.88 \$ 17.7365/M
1976 Assessed Valuation Raise by Taxes Total Budget Tax Rate	\$ 4,094,900 \$ 65,445.50 \$ 111,095.86 \$ 15.9822/M	\$ 13,874,800 \$ 271,724.08 \$ 633,728.35 \$ 19.584/M	\$ 6,157,200 \$ 118,319.74 \$ 154,130.35 \$ 19.247/M	\$ 24,126,900 \$ 455,489.32 \$ 18.878/M
1977 Assessed Valuation Raise by Taxes Total Budget Tax Rate	\$ 4,164,600 \$ 84,302.39 \$ 117,402.39 \$ 20.243/M	\$ 14,280,900 \$ 469,497.63 \$ 755,597.63 \$ 22.834/M	\$ 6,278,900	\$ 24,724,400 \$ 553,800.02 \$ 873,000.02 \$ 22.398/M (\$ 21.104/M)

① All water has been taken from the Westmere supply since November 10, 1973.

② Water Purchased by McKownville from Westmere Approximates 80,000,000 gal./Year

③ Water Purchased is charged to McKownville at \$0.80/M gals. (double Westmere water charge)

④ Difference between "TOTAL BUDGET" and "RAISED BY TAXES" = "WATER RENTS COLLECTED"

⑤ As of January 1, 1977, Westmere and Westmere Extension No1 are merged.

⑥ Water Quality Act effective June 1977 would make very difficult or impossible any thought of reactivating the McKownville Supply or Filtration Plant

⑦ McKownville's Tax Rate / M Assessed Valuation would increase by \$2.155 after merger of the Districts - Not reflecting cost of Water change

⑧ After Merger there would be a savings by reduction of the cost per gallon produced to .40/Mgal.

from 80 - \$ 37.000 - increase to tax rate would then be reduced \$ 0.861 / M