Water Infrastructure Alliance

October 26, 2016

Honorable Deborah Goldberg, Treasurer Office of the Treasurer State House, Room 227 Boston, Massachusetts 02133

Dear Treasurer Goldberg,

On behalf of the Water Infrastructure Alliance (WIA), we would like to invite you to a meeting of our member organizations to learn more about the WIA's efforts to advocate and educate key policy leaders about the importance of investing in the Commonwealth's water infrastructure. Given your demanding schedule, we look forward to working with your office to identify a convenient date for you.

As you know, in 2012 the Massachusetts Water Infrastructure Finance Commission identified a funding gap of at least \$21 billion for addressing the Commonwealth's water infrastructure needs. With the upcoming federal stormwater permit requirements, the funding gap will only continue to grow. Accordingly, the member organizations of the WIA, ranging from drinking water and wastewater provider organizations, environmental groups, engineering and contractor associations, municipal associations, and planning organizations, have continued to educate elected officials about this important issue. The condition of our water infrastructure is directly related to public health, public safety, a clean environment and our ability to support and create jobs through economic development.

Given your role with the highly successful Clean Water Trust, we know this is an issue of great concern for you as well. To that end, this meeting will provide you with an opportunity to hear directly from and engage with interested organizations.

We appreciate your attention to this request. To coordinate the scheduling of this meeting, please contact WIA co-chairs Abbie Goodman (ACEC/MA) at 617-305-4112, or Jennifer Pederson (MWWA) at 978-263-1388. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Organizations working together as the Water Infrastructure Alliance, including:

Abbie Goodman, Executive Director, American Council of Engineering	Paul F. Matthews, Executive Director, 495/MetroWest Partnership
Companies of Massachusetts (ACEC/MA)	
	Sean Ewald, PLS, President,
Jennifer Pederson, Executive Director,	Massachusetts Association of Land
Massachusetts Water Works Association (MWWA)	Surveyors and Civil Engineers (MALSCE)

Organizations working together as the Water Infrastructure Alliance (cont.)

Philip D. Guerin, President, Massachusetts Coalition for Water Resources Stewardship

Victoria Sclafani, Legislative Analyst, Massachusetts Municipal Association

Julia Blatt, Executive Director, Massachusetts Rivers Alliance

Joe Favaloro, Executive Director, MWRA Advisory Board

Robert Greene, President, Massachusetts Water Pollution Control Association Mary Barry, Executive Director, New England Water Environment Association (NEWEA)

Stephen Ryan, Executive Director, New England Water Works Association

Steve Long, Director of Government Relations, The Nature Conservancy

Anne Klayman, Executive Director, Utility Contractors Association of New England (UCANE)

Taber Keally, Chairman, Wastewater Advisory Committee to the MWRA