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John Connet
City Manager
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Subject: Etowah Sewer System Treatment Plant Replacement Project

Dear Mr. Connet,

Henderson County has completed an engineering report for the replacement of the Etowah sewer system's wastewater treatment plant. The report presents six options for replacement with three options requiring connections to MSD or Hendersonville's sewer system for treatment. During the Board of Commissioners meeting on May 4, 2026, the Chairman requested a written response from MSD of Buncombe and Hendersonville Utilities if the connections and treatment are acceptable. Staff from each system have provided a connection point to Henderson County, and the engineering report bases the respective options on these points. Of course, details of the connection will be developed in a formal agreement; however, in concept, is a connection agreeable with your system? Please respond via email or letter, and we will present the reply to the Board of Commissioners.

Please note, the options to connect to other systems are included in the report to align with guidance from NCDEQ to eliminate permitted discharges and regionalization of water and sewer utilities.

Thank you and please reach out if you have any questions,

Sincerely,

Marcus A. Jones, P.E.
County Engineer

copy: John Mitchell, County Manager

attachment: Engineering Report for Etowah Sewer Plant Replacement