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## **Dear Commission Members**

I am writing to you on behalf of the Newberry Township Board of Supervisors in York County. Newberry Township is an MS4 mandated municipality with a population of 15,439. Newberry Township has reviewed Water Quality Management permit applications and the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination permit applications and annual fees. The Newberry Township Board of Supervisors is strongly opposed to the fee increases in this proposed regulation. This fee proposal is excessive and burdensome to permittees. In recent years, Newberry Township has needed to increase our annual budget by \$130,000 to meet our obligations as an MS4 mandated municipality. Should these fees be adopted it places additional expenditures on an already tight municipal budget. The only remedy would be to cut other areas of services in the budget or increase revenue in the form of taxes to the residents of our township, thus increasing a financial burden on these households and businesses. The Newberry Township Board of Supervisors wishes to thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this proposal and again urges the rejection of the proposal.

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