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ISSUE: City of St. Marys – Sewer and Water Capacity for Quality Sustainable Growth

The City of St. Marys is rapidly reaching the limits of its growth. In order to plan for the final stages of our growth to these limits, the City has embarked on a proactive, phased approach to providing Sanitary Sewer Services as well as Public Water Services. The City has adequate water supply and treatment facilities. The major impact of this growth will be in the provision of adequate Sanitary Sewer Facilities.

Phase One of our plan to accommodate this growth is the expansion of the Point Peter WWTP from its present capacity to 1.2 MGD. This phase is scheduled for completion in spring of 2008.

Phase Two is scheduled for commencement immediately following Phase One, which will increase the Point Peter WWTP further to a total capacity of 4.0 MGD. The total cost for Phase One and Phase Two is approx. 43 million dollars, which has been bonded and authorized by City Council.

Phase Three is a proposed maximum 6.0 MGD expansion to the Scrubby Bluff WWTP. This expansion will provide for the full growth expansion of the City of St. Marys based on current zoning and land use. This cost is unknown, but will be in the range of 20-40 million dollars.

The City of St. Marys has determined to stay ahead of the inevitable growth of the City through this proactive plan.

Action: We would hope and expect that our reasonable requests for funding and approval will be received with support and financial assistance.

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