Statement of Principles
Long Term Water Delivery to the City of Flint

The below represents a statement of the structure for a set of inter-related transactions that will comprise an overall agreement resulting in primary and backup water for the City of Flint and system improvements for all parties. The signatories agree to work in good faith to speedily agree to the necessary legal documents (in the form of an overall master agreement with each individual agreement as an exhibit to that master agreement). They further agree to use their best efforts to secure all authorization or approvals required by the entity’s policies, ordinances, and governing law for those agreements from all governing bodies necessary to put these agreements into effect as soon as is practicable.

1. The Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) will provide long-term wholesale finished water services to Flint, with pricing for the services that treats Flint similarly to all other GLWA wholesale model contract customers, including access to Water Residential Assistance Program funds to assist low-income customers. GLWA will receive the right that Flint has to purchase raw water through the Karegnondi Water Authority (KWA) and credit Flint in like amount to the debt paid during the contract period.

2. Certain trust arrangements will be put in place for ease of flow of funds from Flint to GLWA and the KWA in normal operation. Additionally, in the event Flint does not fully meet its obligations to the KWA, the Genesee County Drain Commission (GCDC), and GLWA, an alternative trust will come into operation. That trust would receive all Flint customer collections and ensure a flow of funds to meet obligations to the KWA, GCDC, and GLWA. Additionally, Flint will provide a customer security deposit of $3.75M with GLWA, for no less than two years and no greater than six years (as long as timely payments are made and agreed upon performance objectives met). KWA has a conditional right to access the customer security deposit under certain circumstances.

3. GLWA will provide short-term wholesale finished water services to the GCDC until the GCDC water treatment plant is operational and servicing GCDC’s customers, with pricing for the services that treats GCDC similarly to all other GLWA wholesale model contract customers.

4. GLWA and the GCDC will provide one another with reciprocal backup water services. The price for backup water services will be established through an agreed upon detailed pricing methodology in the contract and it will be the same for both parties.

5. The State of Michigan (State), through its Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), will provide a grant in an amount of $7.5M to the GCDC for installing a 42-inch transmission main parallel to the existing 72-inch transmission main that currently supplies treated water from the GLWA to GCDC customers and Flint. This will allow GCDC to supply treated water from its new water treatment plant to its customers on or after October 2017. The 72-inch transmission line will be returned to Flint’s ownership.

6. The State will provide assistance, in compliance with all existing laws, to GCDC, Flint and the KWA in obtaining refinancing of the 2016 KWA bond issue and in completing the approval process for the GCDC to use its water treatment plant.
7. Flint will build a new supply connection from the end of the GCDC service system north of Flint to the Flint water system to provide a backup water supply. Flint intends to utilize WIIN funding to complete this project.

Signed by:

City of Flint
By: Dr. Karen W. Weaver, Mayor

KWA
By: John O’Brien, Deputy CEO

GLWA
By: Sue F. McCormick, CEO

GCDC-WWS
By: Jeffrey Wright, Drain Commissioner

State of Michigan
By: Keith Creagh, Director