

February 1, 2019

Kelly Taylor MassDEP SRF Project Engineer

RE: Gloucester, MA – Babson WTP Raw Water System Improvements

Dear Kelly,

Waterline Industries would like to formally request an AIS waiver for the four (4) 16" motor operated gate valves and one (1) 16" motor operated flow control butterfly valve which are to be installed as a critical path item on the above referenced project. The request is imperative as the AIS requirements will result in a substantial delay and be prohibitive to the 9/1/19 completion date stipulated under this emergency project.

The AIS program has resulted in a severe back up in the limited number of foundries left in the United States. The valves at issue are noted to have a 2-week lead time for submittals and 26-week lead time for fabrication (once approved and released). Unfortunately, that timeline is not conducive to the completion dates required for this project.

Attempts were made to expedite the buy, submittal and fabrication timelines with little to no success. With an AIS Wavier, we are confident in bringing these valves well within our current schedule and meeting the expectations of The City of Gloucester.

Per our recent discussion on site 1/31/19 with The City of Gloucester, Stantec and DEP, please accept this as our formal request for AIS Waiver.

Thank you in advance! Sincerely,

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