

Resolution 25-088

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO SUBMIT COMMENTS AND THE SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS REGARDING A PROPOSED SETTLEMENT BETWEEN NJDEP AND THE 3M COMPANY REGARDING PFAS

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) reached a proposed settlement with 3M Company (3M) that will supply up to \$450 million to compensate the citizens of New Jersey for injuries to their natural resources, to fund projects to address per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination of drinking water supplies and other environmental media across the state, to reimburse DEP and other arms of the State for costs incurred to investigate and prosecute claims based on PFAS contamination, for consumer impacts, and for penalties and punitive damages. Under the terms of the proposed settlement, 3M is released from liability stemming from its sale, marketing, distribution, use, or manufacture of PFAS in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the NJDEP has solicited public comment on the proposed Judicial Consent Order Approving Settlement with the 3M Company in the Matter of NJDEP, et al., v. E.I. DuPont De Nemours and Company, et al., Case No.: 1:19-CV-14766-RMB-JBC (D.N.J.) by September 19, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority (Authority) has determined that additional time to understand and evaluate the impact of the proposed settlement and release of claims upon the rights and remedies available to the Authority to address PFAS related damages is needed, and has determined that it is appropriate to request an additional one hundred and twenty (120) days to submit necessary comments.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority that the Chairman or Executive Director is hereby authorized to submit the attached request for an extension of the public comment period and to submit comments upon the Proposed Judicial Consent Order Approving Settlement with the 3M Company in the Matter of NJDEP, et al., v. E.I. DuPont De Nemours and Company, et al., Case No.: 1:19-CV-14766-RMB-JBC (D.N.J.) in advance of the deadline therefore.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Director, staff, and consultants are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions reasonably necessary for the preparation and submission of the comments referenced herein, including the development and execution of any supporting certifications as appropriate. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted at a regular scheduled meeting of the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority held on August 14, 2025.

On motion of Commissioner Schorno

Seconded by Commissioner Farrell

And a Roll Call Vote as Follows:

Yeas: (10) Andes, Cegelka, Chegwidde, Farrell, Howarth, Isselin, Lavery, Schorno, Sheehy, and Zuppa.

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Donald Farrell". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Donald Farrell, Board Secretary