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September 8, 2025

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SUBJECT: Safe Drinking Water Loan Program, Project No. 4887-22

BIL SFY25 LSL PROGRAM

Financial Assistance Agreement - October 22, 2025

Dear Mr. Scolaro:

Your project manager prepared the following documents for your Safe Drinking Water Loan Program (SDWLP) loan closing:

1. SDWLP Loan Closing Schedule - Attachment 1

2. Financial Assistance Agreement Summary/Distribution Sheet - Attachment 2

3. Financial Assistance Agreement (FAA)

To close the loan on October 22, 2025, we need to follow the Loan Closing Schedule (Attachment 1).

The City of Racine has three (3) working days upon receipt of wired SDWLP funds to do one or more of the following:

1. Pay the project invoices identified in the SDWLP disbursement request.

- 2. Reimburse an internal municipal account from which eligible project costs were paid. This reimbursement must adhere to current U.S. Treasury Regulations.
- 3. Disburse payments to the bank or financial institution for projects that are being refinanced.

Execution of the FAA creates a binding obligation in all respects. Any negotiation of terms and conditions or determinations must occur prior to adoption of the Municipal Obligation Resolution and execution of the enclosed FAA document.

The Project Manager Summary Page (Exhibit F of the FAA) further explains certain assumptions and decisions affecting preparation of your FAA.

Please contact your project manager, Sarah Bolitho, at 608-960-2927, for assistance with execution of the FAA, Request for Disbursement (Form 8700-215), or other SDWLP documents.

Thank you for your interest in the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program.

Sincerely.

Matthew Marcum, Section Manager

Environmental Loans Section

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ATTACHMENT #1

Safe Drinking Water Loan Program Project No. 4887-22 City of Racine BIL SFY25 LSL PROGRAM Financial Assistance Agreement – Closing Schedule

By August 25, 2025:

-- Department of Natural Resources (DNR) project manager distributes Financial Assistance Agreement (FAA) to Department of Administration (DOA) for review.

By September 8, 2025:

-- Quarles & Brady LLP distributes draft Municipal Obligation Resolution and other bond documents to the City of Racine and DOA for review. Project manager sends FAA to municipality.

On September 10, 2025:

-- Municipality holds properly noticed Waterworks Commission Meeting to approve the FAA.

On September 29, 2025:

Municipality holds properly noticed Finance-Personnel Committee Meeting to approve the FAA.

On October 7, 2025:

- -- Municipality holds properly noticed City Common Council meeting at which time:
 - 1. Municipal Obligation Resolution is adopted.
 - 2. Bond related documents are signed by municipal officials.
 - 3. DNR FAA (printed single sided) is signed by municipal officials.

NOTE: Most documents must be signed by Highest Elected Official & Clerk/Secretary and some documents must have municipal seal applied. **Do not sign any Exhibits.**

By October 8, 2025, VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY:

- -- 1. Municipality scans FAA signature page and sends via e-mail to Quarles & Brady LLP and Sarah Bolitho.
 - 2. Municipality returns signed paper FAA via overnight delivery to Quarles & Brady LLP.
 - 3. Municipality delivers signed & sealed Resolution & other bond documents via overnight delivery to Quarles & Brady LLP.

By October 20, 2025:

 Quarles & Brady LLP sends original signed and sealed Bond R-1 and emails a copy of the fully executed bond transcript to DOA.

October 22, 2025:

-- Loan Closing Day. Quarles & Brady LLP contacts municipality and DOA to confirm that closing may proceed, and DOA wire transfers the first disbursement to municipal bank account.

ATTACHMENT #2

Safe Drinking Water Loan Program Project No. 4887-22 City of Racine BIL SFY25 LSL PROGRAM Financial Assistance Agreement Summary Distribution Sheet

LOAN INFO

Total Project Amount: \$3,957,116
Principal Forgiveness Amount: \$2,495,609 Net SDWLP Loan Amount: \$1,392,380
Internal Funding: \$69,127
Pledge: Taxable Waterworks System Revenue Lien Priority: Junior-Parity
Federal Equivalency Project: X Yes No
Composite Interest Rate: 0.250% Loan Term: 20 Years
DOCUMENT INFO
Date of Municipal Obligation Resolution – October 7, 2025
CLOSING INFO
Refinancing: None Date of Refinancing: N/A
Estimated First Disbursement: N/A
MUNICIPAL INFO
Municipal ID: 51276
Substantial Completion Date: December 31, 2026

DISTRIBUTION

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