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RE: Millstone Borough Plan Endorsement Waiver Request from N.J.A.C. 5:85-7.11(a)1

Dear Mr. Scharfenberger:

Millstone Borough began the Plan Endorsement process with its Pre-Petition Meeting in September 2007. To date, the Borough has submitted its planning documents, attended a Pre-Petition Meeting, created a Plan Endorsement Advisory Committee (PEAC), and submitted a Municipal Self Assessment Report (MSA) to the Office of Smart Growth. The Borough received an Opportunities and Constraints Analysis from the State in July 2009 in response. The Borough began work on a Redevelopment Plan for an Area in Need of Rehabilitation, which was passed by ordinance in February 2011, as it was completing its MSA.

In accordance with the State Planning Rules, the Borough must now perform a community visioning process. We believe, however, that the public participation involved in creating the Redevelopment Plan, as well as passage of revisions in the Housing Elements of the Master Plan and new TND ordinances, has provided sufficient public involvement to meet the visioning needs of the Plan Endorsement process. As in many other small communities, the cost of holding additional specific workshops and the very real problem of meeting fatigue are of great concern.

Details of the planning and visioning efforts, as well as supporting documents, will be delivered to your office under separate cover.

Millstone Borough is fully committed to completing the Plan Endorsement process, and we look forward to your response.

Best regards,

Raymond S. Heck, Mayor
Millstone Borough