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Press Release

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DECISION OF ARBITRATORS

We are gratified by the decision of the arbitrators, issued yesterday, in favor of Kutztown regarding the agreements between Kutztown and Maxatawny to form a joint sewer authority to be known as the Saucony Creek Regional Authority. A copy of the decision is attached. The decision is in accord with the position consistently maintained by Kutztown in this dispute since 2012. What remains now is for the arbitrators to decide what remedy should be afforded Kutztown as a result of Maxatawny's breach of our agreements.

The fact that Maxatawny has only recently revealed that it held secret meetings of its governing boards in connection with its default under our agreements, while failing to offer any coherent explanation for its conduct, only reinforces Kutztown's determination to bring this matter to a successful conclusion at long last and to obtain the benefits of our prior agreements for all of our citizens, taxpayers and utility rate payers, in both Kutztown and the Township.

Despite the difficulties and delays, Kutztown remains convinced that intergovernmental cooperation is the best way to secure the future prosperity of our communities.