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DATE:

January 26, 2017

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council c/o Natawna Austin
Room 400 – City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 17-0009 introduced by Council President Young on behalf of the Administration (Department of Finance).

The purpose of the Bill is to provide a Supplementary State Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$3 million to the Department of Public Works (Service 730 – Public and Private Energy Performance), to provide funding for the installation of Combined Heat and Power at the Back River Wastewater Treatment Plant.

The source of funds is a grant from the Maryland Department of the Environment, developed and administered by the Maryland Water Quality Financing Administration FY 2017 Energy Water Infrastructure Program. An earlier grant award of \$494,320.00 was approved under Ordinance 16-564 for the same purpose. This request will fund the installation of the 2,000 kW Combined Heat and Power system at the Back River Wastewater Treatment Plant. The system will consist of natural gas fired combustion turbines with waste heat recovery from the treatment plant processes. The project completion date is February 1, 2018. This project will supplement an existing combined heat and power plant already in operation at the Back River plant.

The Board of Estimates approved and authorized the acceptance of this grant award at their October 26, 2016 meeting. Approval of City Council Bill 17-0009 would allow the Department to accept this grant and complete this important power generating project. It is for this reason that the Department of Public Works supports passage of City Council Bill 17-0009.

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Sincerely,

Rudolph S. Chow, P.E

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