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To Whom It May Concern:

New Canaan CT supports passage of Committee Bill 5291.

The most recent changes in permitting have placed a burden on all communities that are required to remove Phosphorus in their treatment plant discharge. This is particularly burdensome for New Canaan because of the extremely low limit imposed and the timeline for implementation.

To achieve the permit limit, New Canaan will be required to add another treatment process to the existing treatment plant – at an estimated cost $8M. To meet a stringent time limit for implementation is also difficult as we are in the process of carefully evaluating processes that can meet these very low limits prior to moving forward with the confidence that we have selected the best process for our community.

A commitment by the state to help communities with a 50% grant and an extension of time will be extremely helpful in moving this project forward in New Canaan.

Regards,

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