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# Memorandum

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**RE:** State Revolving Fund Loan 7484-01 Amortization Recommendation

The purpose of this memorandum is to outline GLWA's options and PFM's recommendation regarding the amortization of Drinking Water Revolving Fund loan 7484-01. The loan is being obtained by GLWA on behalf of DWSD to fund DWSD Project WS-713 (Jefferson Chalmers Water Main Replacement) in the amount of \$12,845,000, and is scheduled for closing on August 30, 2021. Of the total amount, \$1,316,050 is scheduled for loan forgiveness (net amount of \$11,528,950).

GLWA and DWSD will need to make a decision on amortization expediently, as a determination is expected on Friday July 23, 2021.

#### History of Program Interest Rates and Terms

While each loan that has been obtained on behalf of DWSD in the prior five years has been structured with a 30-year amortization at the subsidized disadvantaged community rate, the options available to GLWA and DWSD have now changed, and this option is no longer available (disadvantaged rate for 30-year term). Below is a summary of interest rates and terms that have been available through the DWRF and CWRF program.

#### STATE OF MICHIGAN DWRF & CWRF PROGRAM RATE HISTORY

	DWRF						CWRF				
·			30 Year	40 Year				30 Year	40 Year		
	20 Year	30 Year	Disadvan	Disadvan		20 Year	30 Year	Disadvan	Disadvan		
State's FYE*	Maturity	Maturity	taged?	taged		Maturity	Maturity	taged?	taged		
2021	1.875%	2.125%	n/a	1.875%		1.875%	2.125%		1.875%		
2020	2.000%		2.000%	2.000% *	*	2.000%		2.250%			
2018 - 2020	2.000%		2.000%			2.000%		2.250%			
2017	2.500%		2.500%			2.500%		2.750%			
2016	2.500%		2.500%			2.500%		2.500%	— —		
2014 - 2015	2.500%					2.500%		2.500%			
2013	2.000%					2.000%		2.000%			
2008 - 2012	2.500%					2.500%		2.500%			
2005 - 2007	2.125%					1.625%		1.625%			
2004	2.125%					2.125%		2.125%			
1999 - 2003	2.500%					2.500%		2.500%			
1998	2.500%					2.250%		2.250%			
1995 - 1997						2.250%		2.250%			
1990 - 1994						2.000%		2.000%			

 $<sup>\</sup>hbox{* Source: State Fiscal Year Annual Reports for DWRF and CWRF and Michigan.gov/EGLE web site.}\\$ 

<sup>\*\*</sup> Benton Harbor 8/7/2020 #7464-01



## Options Available to GLWA and DWSD

Under current program terms, there are three amortization options available to GLWA and DWSD for Loan 7484-01, with corresponding impacts on the available interest rate:

- 1. 20-year amortization at an interest rate of 1.875%
- 2. 30-year amortization at an interest rate of 2.125%
- 3. 40-year term at the disadvantaged interest rate of 1.875%.

Each of the options presented is consistent with GLWA's Debt Management Policy, which specifies a maximum term of 40 years. A summary of the average annual payments and total estimated debt payments under the three options are provided below, with further detail attached as an appendix.

Option	Interest Rate	Average Annual Payment*	Total Debt Payments		
20 Year	1.875%	\$691,403	\$14,368,485		
30 Year	2.125%	\$514,111	\$16,024,639		
39.08* Year	1.875%	\$432,034	\$16,525,672		

\*Average debt service payments after initiation of operation of project.

## **PFM Recommendation**

PFM recommends that GLWA and DWSD pursue the 20-year amortization at an interest rate of 1.875% for this loan. Use of this option achieves the lowest interest rate available to GLWA and DWSD and the lowest total debt service payments available to the System. Furthermore, pursuit of the 20-year option is consistent with GLWA efforts to deleverage the system in the coming years. Finally, with the relatively modest size of this loan, the annual cash flow benefit of what would be a significant extension of the average life is also modest and less than \$300,000.



## **GREAT LAKES WATER AUTHORITY AUGUST 2021 LOAN 7484-01---FINAL BOND TERM OPTIONS**

**Average** 

**Total Debt Payments** 

Option 20 Year 30 Year 39.08\* Year

**A**nnual Payment\* \$691,403 \$514,111 \$432,034

\$14,368,485 \$16,024,639 \$16,525,672

Principal Amount of Loan Less: Principal Foregiveness Adjusted Bond Amount

\$12,845,000 (\$1,316,050) \$11,528,950

20 Year Option			30 Year Option				39.08** Year Term Option				
Principal	Principal		Total	Principal	Principal		Total	Principal	Principal	DISADV.	Total
Mat.	Due	Interest	P&I From	Mat.	Due	Interest	P&I From	Mat.	Due	Interest	P&I From
Year	1-Oct	Rate	Revenues	Year	1-Oct	Rate	Revenues	Year	1-Oct	Rate	Revenues
2021	0	1.875%	108,084 e	2021	0	2.125%	122,389 e	2021	0	1.875%	108,084 e
2022	0	1.875%	216,168 e	2022	0	2.125%	239,465 e	2022	0	1.875%	216,168 e
2023	0	1.875%	216,168 e	2023	0	2.125%	239,465 e	2023	0	1.875%	216,168 e
2024	478,950	1.875%	690,628	2024	278,950	2.125%	515,451	2024	218,950	1.875%	433,065
2025	485,000	1.875%	687,641	2025	285,000	2.125%	515,509	2025	225,000	1.875%	434,953
2026	495,000	1.875%	688,453	2026	290,000	2.125%	514,400	2026	230,000	1.875%	435,688
2027	505,000	1.875%	689,078	2027	300,000	2.125%	518,131	2027	230,000	1.875%	431,375
2028	515,000	1.875%	689,516	2028	305,000	2.125%	516,703	2028	235,000	1.875%	432,016
2029	525,000	1.875%	689,766	2029	310,000	2.125%	515,169	2029	240,000	1.875%	432,563
2030	535,000	1.875%	689,828	2030	315,000	2.125%	513,528	2030	245,000	1.875%	433,016
2031	545,000	1.875%	689,703	2031	325,000	2.125%	516,728	2031	250,000	1.875%	433,375
2032	560,000	1.875%	694,344	2032	330,000	2.125%	514,769	2032	255,000	1.875%	433,641
2033	570,000	1.875%	693,750	2033	335,000	2.125%	512,703	2033	260,000	1.875%	433,813
2034	580,000	1.875%	692,969	2034	340,000	2.125%	510,531	2034	265,000	1.875%	433,891
2035	590,000	1.875%	692,000	2035	350,000	2.125%	513,200	2035	265,000	1.875%	428,922
2036	600,000	1.875%	690,844	2036	360,000	2.125%	515,656	2036	270,000	1.875%	428,906
2037	615,000	1.875%	694,453	2037	370,000	2.125%	517,900	2037	275,000	1.875%	428,797
2038	625,000	1.875%	692,828	2038	375,000	2.125%	514,984	2038	280,000	1.875%	428,594
2039	635,000	1.875%	691,016	2039	385,000	2.125%	516,909	2039	285,000	1.875%	428,297
2040	650,000	1.875%	693,969	2040	390,000	2.125%	513,675	2040	295,000	1.875%	432,859
2041	660,000	1.875%	691,688	2041	400,000	2.125%	515,281	2041	300,000	1.875%	432,281
2042	675,000	1.875%	694,172	2042	405,000	2.125%	511,728	2042	305,000	1.875%	431,609
2043	685,000	1.875%	691,422	2043	415,000	2.125%	513,016	2043	310,000	1.875%	430,844
2044	0	0.000%	0	2044	425,000	2.125%	514,091	2044	315,000	1.875%	429,984
2045	0	0.000%	0	2045	435,000	2.125%	514,953	2045	320,000	1.875%	429,031
2046	0	0.000%	0	2046	445,000	2.125%	515,603	2046	330,000	1.875%	432,938
2047	0	0.000%	0	2047	450,000	2.125%	511,094	2047	335,000	1.875%	431,703
2048	0	0.000%	0	2048	460,000	2.125%	511,425	2048	340,000	1.875%	430,375
2049	0	0.000%	0	2049	470,000	2.125%	511,544	2049	345,000	1.875%	428,953
2050	0	0.000%	0	2050	480,000	2.125%	511,450	2050	355,000	1.875%	432,391
2051	0	0.000%	0	2051	490,000	2.125%	511,144	2051	365,000	1.875%	435,641
2052	0	0.000%	0	2052	500,000	2.125%	510,625	2052	370,000	1.875%	433,750
2053	0	0.000%	0	2053	510,000	2.125%	515,419	2053	375,000	1.875%	431,766
2054	0	0.000%	0	2054	0	0.000%	0	2054	385,000	1.875%	434,641
2055	0	0.000%	0	2055	0	0.000%	0	2055	390,000	1.875%	432,375
2056	0	0.000%	0	2056	0	0.000%	0	2056	400,000	1.875%	434,969
2057	0	0.000%	0	2057	0	0.000%	0	2057	405,000	1.875%	432,422
2058	0	0.000%	0	2058	0	0.000%	0	2058	410,000	1.875%	429,781
2059	0	0.000%	0	2059	0	0.000%	0	2059	420,000	1.875%	432,000
2060	0	0.000%	0	2060	0	0.000%	0	2060	430,000	1.875%	434,031
TOTAL	\$11,528,950	_	\$14,368,485	_	\$11,528,950	_	\$16,024,639	=	\$11,528,950	=	\$16,525,672

<sup>\*</sup> Average debt service for years with principal repayment.

<sup>\*</sup>Term 39.08 years in order to comply with State law limitation of 40 year maximum term.

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