ORDER NO. 87948

IN THE MATTER OF THE INVESTIGATION BY THE COMMISSION OF THE INTENDED ABANDONMENT BY CECO UTILITIES, INC. OF ITS FRANCHISE AND SERVICE TO THE MANCHESTER PARK SUBDIVISION IN CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF MARYLAND

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CASE NO. 9310

Issue Date: December 20, 2016

Pursuant to Order No. 87800, on December 15, 2016, the Maryland Public Service Commission's ("Commission") Technical Staff ("Staff") filed a letter reporting on the discussions held between the owners of CECO, representatives of Cecil County, the Maryland Department of the Environment, and the Maryland Environmental Services to explore the cost and possible source of funding for Maryland Environmental Service taking over the day to day operation of the Manchester Park sewer service, or any other consensus agreement to address the concerns raised in this matter. The letter indicated that the above-mentioned parties met on December 12, 2016 and after a lengthy discussion, certain issues were raised which require further effort and response from several of the parties. Staff stated that the parties agreed to reconvene on January 5, 2017 and recognize the urgency of the matter and that progress is being made on the resolution

of this issue.

IT IS THEREFORE, this 20th day of December, in the year Two Thousand and

Sixteen, by the Public Service Commission of Maryland,

ORDERED: (1) That the Commission Staff shall continue to meet with the

owners of CECO, representatives of Cecil County, the Maryland Department of the

Environment, and the Maryland Environmental Services to explore the cost and possible

source of funding for Maryland Environmental Service taking over the day to day

operation of the Manchester Park sewer service, or any other consensus agreement to

address the concerns raised in this matter, and file a second report on the discussions

and/or resolution of this matter with the Commission by March 15, 2017; and

(2) That CECO shall continue to operate its franchise for the Manchester Park

sewer service facility until at least March 31, 2017, unless it is relieved of such obligation

beforehand by order of this Commission.

By Direction of the Commission,

David J. Collins

Executive Secretary

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