IN THE MATTER OF PROCEEDING OF DUNCAN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY AND DUNCAN TOWNSHIP – CONDEMNATION OF THE PROPERTY OF RONALD R. WILSON

: IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

: OF TIOGA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

: NO. CV 2023

: IN REM ACTION

TO: Ronald R. Wilson 7064 Route 414 Liberty, Pennsylvania 16930

## **DECLARATION OF TAKING**

- 1. The Condemnors are the Duncan Township Municipal Water Authority, Tioga County, Pennsylvania, a body corporate and politic and a Municipal Authority organized under the Municipal Authorities Act, Pa.C.S.A. §§ 5601, et. seq., with a mailing address of 42 Duncan Township Road, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania 16901, and Duncan Township, Tioga County, Pennsylvania, a body corporate and politic and a Township organized under the Second Class Township Code, with a mailing address of 42 Duncan Township Road, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania 16901.
- 2. The condemnation is authorized by law by the Municipal Authorities Act, 53 Pa.C.S.A. § 56071 and § 5615, et. seq., by the Second Class Township Code, and by the Eminent Domain Code, 26 P.S. §§ 101, et. seq. These laws grant to the Authority and the Township the power to acquire property by eminent domain for the construction of water systems, and for all other purposes authorized by the Acts.
- 3. This Declaration of Taking was authorized by **Resolution** of the Authority adopted on March 13, 2023, at the Duncan Township Municipal Building, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania, which record may be found and examined at the offices of the Authority, located at 42 Duncan Township Road, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania 16901, and by **Resolution** of the Township adopted on March 13, 2023, at the Duncan Township Building, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania, which record may be found and examined at the offices of the Township, located at 42 Duncan Township Road, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania 16901.
- 4. The purpose of the condemnation is to acquire in fee simple a parcel of property to be used for the locating, installing, constructing, reconstructing, extending, repairing, maintaining, replacing, and/or adding, as the Authority and the Township deem necessary, any and all necessary fixtures, equipment, pipes, buildings and appurtenances thereto, upon, over and under the property as generally depicted in a document titled "Sketch Plan Showing Eminent Domain Claim Area For Duncan Township" dated January 5, 2022, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference.

- 5. The property interest to be condemned is located in Duncan Township, Tioga County, Pennsylvania, and is currently owned by Ronald R. Wilson. The property interest to be condemned is approximately 1.21 acres and is a portion of Parcel # 1 of the property more particularly described in Tioga County Instrument Number 201014420 and being identified as Tax Parcel Number 10/03.00/008B//000.
- 6. A description of the property sufficient for its identification is set forth on the survey map attached hereto as Exhibit "A".
- 7. The nature of the title acquired in and to the said property is a fee simple interest so that the property may be used in furtherance of the Authority's and the Township's water system. The Authority and/or the Township already have an easement over a substantial portion of the property and have constructed a pond, various buildings, pipelines, and other equipment and fixtures used in the operation of the water system. That Easement is dated June 13, 1984, and is recorded in Tioga County Deed Book 440 at Page 723, and is incorporated herein by reference.
- 8. A plan showing the condemned property may be inspected at the address of the Condemnors, which is the offices of the Authority and the Township, located at 42 Duncan Township Road, Wellsboro, Tioga County, Pennsylvania 16901.
- 9. Pursuant to Section 303(b) of the Eminent Domain Code of 2006, the Condemnor, the Township of Duncan, has the power of taxation, and is not required to file a bond with this Declaration of Taking. The funds raised or authorized by law to be raised by the power of taxation of the Township are deemed pledged and are made security for the payment of the damages determined by law. See Exhibit "B" attached hereto and incorporated by reference.
- 10. Plans showing the property condemned are on the same date hereof being lodged for record or filed in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Tioga County pursuant to Section 304 of the Eminent Domain Code of 2006, as amended and supplemented, where the plans may be inspected.
- 11. I, Linkan, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Duncan Township, do hereby depose, swear, and affirm that I am authorized by and do hereby execute this Declaration of Taking on behalf of the Township and that the averments contained and set forth herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, and are made subject to the penalties provided in 18 Pa. C.S. § 4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.
- 12. I, Chairman of the Board of the Duncan Township Municipal Authority, do hereby depose, swear, and affirm that I am authorized by and do hereby execute this Declaration of Taking on behalf of the Authority and that the averments contained and set forth herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, and are made subject to the penalties provided in 18 Pa. C.S. § 4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities

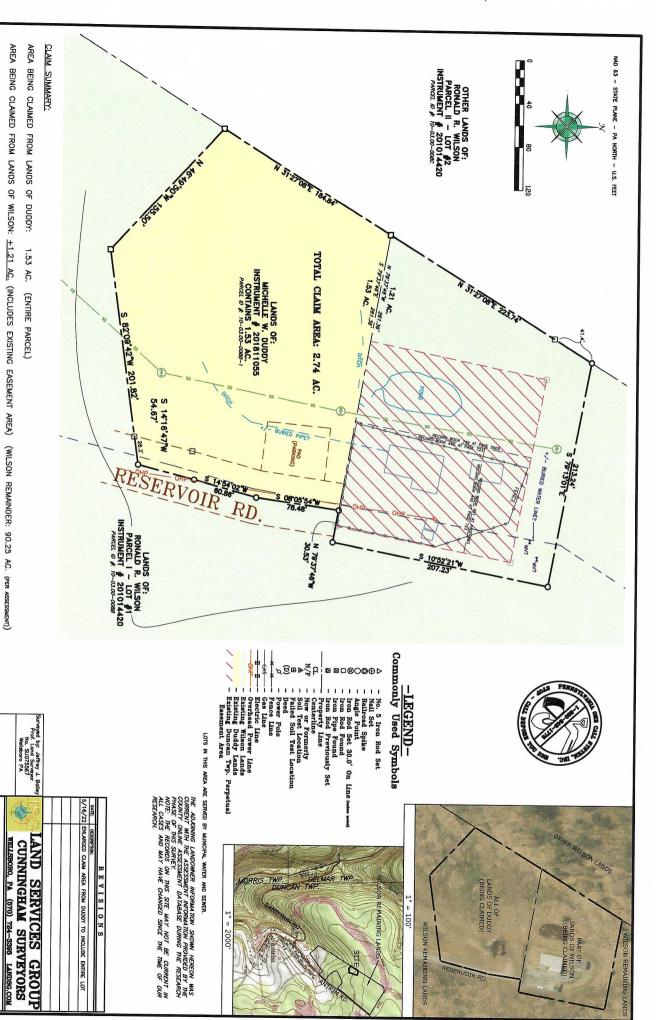
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Duncan Township Water Authority 42 Duncan Township Road Wellsboro, PA 16901 (570) 353-7532

By: Rekay Pritman

Duncan Township 42 Duncan Township Road Wellsboro, PA 16901 (570) 353-7532

Date:  $\frac{3/13}{}$ , 2023



TOTAL EMINENT DOMAIN CLAIM AREA:

2.74 AC

MAP REFERENCES:

A MAP TILED: "SUBDIVISION OF LANDS BELONGING TO: DAVZER FORESTLAND, NIC.", SURFECED BY K. ROBERT CUNNINGHAM, P.L.S., DATED APRIL 7, 2010, AND FILED IN THE TIOCA COUNTY COURTHOUSE AS INSTRUMENT NUMBER 201011816. (NOW WILSON)

A MAP TITLE: "SUBDIVISION OF LANDS BELONGING TO: RONALD R. WILSON", SURVEYED OF K. ROBERT CHININGHAM, P.L.S., DATED OCTOBER 29, 2018, AND FILED IN THE TOCAL COUNTY COURTHOUSE AS INSTRUMENT NUMBER 201810632 (NOW DUDDY)

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SKETCH PLAN SHOWING EMINENT DOMAIN CLAIM AREA FOR:

DUNCAN

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