

April 15, 2015

Joshua Plumb City of Maricopa 39700 W. Civic Center Plaza Maricopa, AZ 85138 Attn: Ross Renner

**RE:** Edison Road Final Design

Request for Contract Modification – ADEQ Review Fee

Dear Joshua,

As you are aware, the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) has recently and dramatically increased its sewer review fee structure. This new structure is based on the total potential flow rate in any given pipe within the proposed improvement area, regardless of the actual flow generated by the project. In the case of the Estrella Gin Business Park, this will be the full flow volume of the 36" diameter sewer in SR 238 or 11 MGD. This flow rate would result in the maximum ADEQ fee of \$25,000. Neither the City nor EPS anticipated this extremely high review cost as it is roughly 25 times the former review few. Despite EPS's and the City's efforts to convince ADEQ to charge a more reasonable fee, we have both been unsuccessful.

At the City's request, we have adjusted the remaining budget in our contract to cover both the ADEQ sewer review fee of \$25,000 and the water review fee of \$900. Likewise, we have also written the requested check to ADEQ to cover these fees. The purpose of this change order is to request addition funds to cover these fees and replace the lowered project budgets.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions regarding the additional costs to the project.

Sincerely,

EPS Group Inc.,

Elijah E. Williams, PE Project Manager

