RESOLUTION RE: RE-AUTHORIZING THE SOFT COST GRANT PROGRAM AND PROVIDING ADDITIONAL FUNDING

WHEREAS, the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (the "Council") on May 6, 2009 established a Soft Cost Grant Pilot Program (the "Program") to assist West Virginia governmental agencies which from time to time receive grant and/or other funding assistance from federal and other sources for the construction of water and wastewater projects ("Grant Projects") for the purpose of providing the de minimis contributions to pay the legal, accounting, real estate acquisition, and other non-construction costs ("Soft Costs") associated with the Grant Projects;

WHEREAS, on August 5, 2009, Council supplemented the Program to include American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 projects;

WHEREAS, utilizing the Program, the Council has provided fifteen (15) Soft Costs grants totaling \$1,255,096.13;

WHEREAS, there is currently \$422,022.17 remaining in the Program;

WHEREAS, the Program will expire on May 6, 2011, without further Council action;

WHEREAS, the Council desires to continue the Program and thereby expediting the construction of Grant Projects;

WHEREAS, the Council desires to direct the West Virginia Water Development Authority ("WDA") to set aside Five-Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand, Nine Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars (\$577,977.83) from the Infrastructure Fund to continue the Program;

WHEREAS, the Council desires to continue to use the guidelines established for the Program; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that the Program is in the best interests of the State and its citizens by expediting Grant Projects and providing new and improved water and waste water services in the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council as follows:

- 1) The Program is hereby continued and reestablished within the Infrastructure Fund and the WDA is hereby directed to credit and set aside \$577,977.83 in the Infrastructure Fund to the Program.
- 2) The Council will consider making grants through the Program utilizing the following guidelines:

- A) The Program is available only to government agencies which have received grant or other funding awards for Grant Projects;
- B) The governmental agency must submit a Program Application to the Council using the form provided by the Executive Director.
- C) The governmental agency must certify that no other funds are available to pay the Soft Costs.
 - D) No grant from the Program shall exceed \$125,000.
- E) The WDA shall enter into a grant agreement with the governmental agency only after the Council has approved a specific sum to be granted under the Program.
- 3) The Program shall expire twenty-four (24) months from the date of adoption hereof.
 - 4) This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 4th day of May, 2011.

Executive Secretary