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Chatham County Commissioners P. O. Box 1809 Pittsboro, NC 27312

Dear Commissioners:

I would like to express the City of Sanford's support of Moncure Holdings' plan to develop a megasite that will serve as an industrial employment center in Chatham County. Due to its location, the development will benefit not only your community but Sanford, Lee County, and the surrounding communities, as well.

To fully develop this site, Chatham County and Moncure Holdings must be able to exercise the 10/70 percent option allowed by the State Water Supply Watershed Protection Rules. Therefore, we support Moncure Holdings' requested text amendment to the Chatham County Watershed Protection Ordinance for the Cape Fear WS-IV Protected Area.

This requested text amendment would add a Special Non-Residential Intensity Allocation, allowing 10 percent of the protected area in Chatham County's jurisdiction to develop at up to 70 percent imperviousness, while also meeting the stormwater management requirements established by the county.

The City of Sanford is dedicated to protecting our water supply intake on the Cape Fear River and we appreciate your shared efforts in this endeavor. Development of the proposed industrial site is also compatible with the existing industrial land uses in the area. We believe this is a balanced and targeted approach to economic development and water supply protection in the region.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments as you make your decision on the Moncure Megasite.

Sincerely,

Hal Hegwer

City Manager

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c: Chatham County Watershed Review Board