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TIGHE & BOND PUBLISHES 2011 CONNECTICUT WATER AND SEWER RATES SURVEY DATA PROVIDES BENCHMARKING TOOL FOR COMMUNITIES

Westfield, Massachusetts –January 25, 2012 – Tighe & Bond has just published the results of its 2011 Water and Sewer Rate Surveys for utilities and communities in Connecticut. The results from these latest surveys indicate that residential users in Connecticut pay, on average, \$415 and \$369 annually for water and sewer respectively. This represents increases of 16.9% and 1% above the averages reported in our 2009 surveys.

For more than a decade, Tighe & Bond has gathered and reported data on water and sewer rates service in Connecticut. Using rate information that survey participants provide, we have calculated the annual average homeowner’s cost for water and sewer service based on the consumption of 72,000 gallons or 96 hundred cubic feet of water. The survey, which includes typical annual homeowner water and sewer costs for each community in Connecticut, also provides information regarding rate structures and billing cycles.

Tighe & Bond’s water and sewer rate surveys offer municipalities and private suppliers a benchmarking tool for comparing their rates against other suppliers in the state. This can be particularly useful information when evaluating costs, operating expenses, budgeting and capital improvement plans. The survey results are readily available to the public online at <http://rates.tighebond.com>

Tighe & Bond provides a similar survey for Massachusetts communities as well.

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Founded in 1911 and celebrating a century in business last year, Tighe & Bond is one of the most experienced engineering firms in New England, with offices in Westfield, Worcester and Pocasset, Massachusetts; Middletown and Shelton, Connecticut; and Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

Engineering News Record annually ranks Tighe & Bond among the top design and environmental engineering firms nationally. *ZweigWhite* also recognized Tighe & Bond as one of the best civil engineering firms to work for in the nation at its 2011 *Best Firms to Work for Summit* in San Diego.



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