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CHRIS CHRISTIE
Governor

March 16, 2011

Michael T. Cricco
North Jersey District Water Supply Commission
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Dear Commissioner Cricco:

This letter serves as notice of my intention to commence proceedings to remove you for cause from your position as a Commissioner of the North Jersey District Water Supply Commission ("NJDWSC"). Facts have been adduced which indicate that you have routinely attended meetings of the NJDWSC, for which you receive an annual salary, during hours that you were scheduled to be present at your job at the New Jersey Schools Development Authority ("SDA"). My office has been informed that SDA did not approve leave time for at least 20 Commission meetings that you attended during work hours throughout your tenure as a Commissioner. Moreover, I have been informed that this practice has continued despite being warned by SDA staff about the issue.

Your continued participation in NJDWSC affairs would be disruptive to the effective and orderly operation of the NJDWSC facility and contrary to my Administration's efforts to promote fiscal responsibility and compliance with ethics laws.

I hereby immediately suspend you without pay pending resolution of the proceedings to remove you for cause.

Unless I receive your resignation by the close of business on March 21, 2011, you are hereby directed to appear before David A. Cohen, Director, Office of Employee Relations, on March 24, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Governor's Authorities Unit Conference Room, Third Floor, New Jersey Statehouse, 125 West State Street, Trenton, NJ 08625, to be advised of the charges pending a future hearing on the merits.

Sincerely,



Chris Christie
Governor

- c. Michael Restaino, Executive Director, North Jersey District Water Supply Commission
Carmen Orechio, Chair, North Jersey District Water Supply Commission
David A. Cohen, Director, Office of Employee Relations
Deborah L. Gramiccioni, Director, Authorities Unit