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The Honorable Gale A. Brewer
Chair, Committee on Oversight & Investigations
City Hall – New York, NY 10007

The Honorable Alexa Avilés
Chair, Committee on Public Housing
City Hall – New York, NY 10007

Dear Chair Brewer and Chair Avilés:

On September 23, 2022, NYCHA testified before the Committees on Public Housing and Oversight and Investigations on "Water Testing at Jacob Riis Houses." NYCHA would like to correct the record regarding a response provided during the hearing. In response to a question by Councilmember Rivera, Chief Operating Officer (COO) Eva Trimble responded that LiquiTech had not previously used Environmental Monitoring and Technologies, Inc. (EMT) for any test results. However, we further reviewed our records after LiquiTech brought to our attention that EMT was used for other testing. We identified that EMT was, in fact, previously used. Based on this information, we immediately reached out to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH), recommended that NYCHA retest the water at buildings where copper silver ionization systems are in operation to ensure that they are working as planned, and advised us that residents did not need to make changes to their tap water use. NYCHA is adopting this recommendation and continuing to investigate. We continue to investigate our legal options based on this information.

We appreciate your partnership and thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

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Lisa Bova-Hiatt, Interim Chief Executive Officer

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Eva Trimble, Chief Operating Officer