WATER METER ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is between __________________________, whose residence is at ____________________________________________, in the City of Englewood, and the City of Englewood’s Utilities Department.

WHEREAS: The property listed above is connected to the City of Englewood’s water distribution system and is billed for water under the “flat rate schedule” of water billing; and

WHEREAS: It is the wish of the owner or occupant of the address listed above to transfer to the “metered schedule” of water billing; and

WHEREAS: The owner or occupant of the property desires financial assistance for the purchase and/or installation of the water meter;

NOW THEREFORE: The owner of the property listed above understands and agrees to the terms of this agreement as set forth here:

1. This plan assumes a higher flat rate bill than a metered bill. If, within 12 months, the meter reading and billing patterns demonstrates little difference, or the metered charges are higher than the flat rate, all program costs will be added to the account and collected with the next normal, quarterly billing. The City will notify the resident before taking this action.

2. The resident shall have the meter installed without paying for material or labor costs at the time of installation.

3. The resident shall continue to receive their normal, Flat Rate bill. The flat rate will not change unless the meter shows usage in excess of the flat rate charge.

4. Each quarter, the meter will be read, and the flat rate charge compared against what the water bill would be if the bill were based on the meter reading. Any excess, above what the metered bill would be, will be applied to the cost of the meter and installation.

5. If the metered bill is higher than the flat rate bill, the customer shall pay the higher amount.

6. This program will cover the cost of the meter. The resident will be encouraged to provide for the installation on their own. If they are unable to, the program may cover that cost also.

7. If the property changes hands while under this program, all remaining costs immediately become due and payable.

8. The account will have a “Forced Read” notifying everyone that it is participating in the program.
9. The application of flat rate money to the cost of the meter will only happen when the normal, quarterly bill is paid in full. No transfer of money will happen on delinquent accounts.

10. The cost of the meter and/or installation must be paid off in 24 months. At that time, any unpaid balance will be added to the water bill.

11. If the applicant is an occupant, and not the owner, the owner must cosign this application.

The City of Englewood Utilities Department reserves the right to refuse access to this program for customers whose circumstances will not permit the financial aspects to work as envisioned.

Agreed to this __________ day of _______________, 20__.

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For the City of Englewood Utilities Department

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Resident

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Owner (If different from resident)