An annualized annual loan payment of $394,278 divided by 2500 customers equals $157.69 per customer per year.

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CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Delay on this project has benefited Winsted. We have had the opportunity to examine the proposed project in detail, to reveal its flaws and omissions, to review the data on water use in town and projected population growth, to discover the distribution system problems, which include an enormous amount of daily water waste, and to recommend solutions.

State law does not concern itself with such things as pipes and water waste. It only demands that we build a filtration facility, needed or not, that meets federal safe drinking water standards. Like so many laws, this one does not view the entire water system and its interrelated components. Through delay, we were able to tailor this mandate to better fit our needs by pursuing a plan which recognizes that the relationship of individual components affects the efficiency of a water system.

Under the circumstances, Winsted has an opportunity to fulfill and go beyond the state's mandate, stretch our federal dollars further and apply them to solving some of our real water system problems. Let's do it.