## SOUTHERN WATER SERVICES LIMITED NOTICE OF PROPOSAL TO ADOPT PRIVATE SEWERS AND LATERAL DRAINS

## To: The owner(s) of private sewers and lateral drains

Southern Water Services Limited (a company registered in England and Wales under number 2366670, with its registered office at Southern House, Yeoman Road, Worthing BN13 3NX) ("Southern Water") gives notice under Sections 102 and 105A of the Water Industry Act 1991 ("the Act") that in accordance with a scheme or schemes made by the Secretary of State under the Water Industry (Schemes for Adoption of Private Sewers) Regulations 2011 ("the Transfer Regulations"):

## 1. on 1 October 2011:

- (i) any private sewer (excluding pumping stations and highway drains or sewers) situated within Southern Water's sewerage area and which, immediately before 1 July 2011, communicates with a public sewer; and
- (ii) any private lateral drain (excluding pumping stations) which, immediately before 1 July 2011, communicates with a public sewer vested in Southern Water; and
- 2. on 1 October 2016, any pumping station which forms part of such a sewer or lateral drain and has not been transferred to Southern Water before that date;
  - will transfer to Southern Water and become a public sewer or public lateral drain belonging to Southern Water unless that private sewer or private lateral drain is subject to an outstanding appeal under Section 105B of the Act.

This notice does not apply to private sewers or private lateral drains which:

- 1. are owned by a railway undertaker; or
- 2. are situated on or under Crown land and Southern Water has received notice in writing before 1 July 2011 from the appropriate authority that the private sewer or private lateral drain should be exempt.

Any owner of a private sewer, private lateral drain or pumping station or any other person affected by the proposal to adopt a private sewer, private lateral drain or pumping station, or the failure to do so, may appeal to the Water Services Regulation Authority (Ofwat) within two months of service or publication of this notice, whichever is the later. The grounds on which you can appeal are set out in Section 105B(3) of the Act. Ofwat can be contacted at Centre City Tower, 7 Hill Street, Birmingham, B5 4UA or by email to: appealpstransfer@ofwat.gsi.gov.uk

Any terms used in the Transfer Regulations have the same meaning when used in this notice.

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Kevin Hall Company Secretary, Southern Water Services Limited