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Dear Valued Customer,

We have had a busy year and continue to deliver on our commitment to provide clean drinking water and protect the Kennebec River by safely and efficiently treating wastewater.

The most visible project completed this year was the Front Street Wastewater Pump Station. This replaced a station built in 1963 that had been damaged many times by Kennebec River flooding. The new station is designed to withstand future flooding for years to come. We also experienced a reminder of how critical our underground infrastructure is when we replaced an old water main on Cony Road. The old pipe was so brittle that a worker broke it with a hand shovel—which is why we proactively replace pipes on an ongoing basis.

The most significant drinking water project in 2025 has been the design and construction of cutting edge PFAS filtration equipment for the Riverside Well Station. You may recall that about a year ago, testing showed elevated levels of PFAS at this station and it was immediately disconnected from our system. Since then, we have completed detailed designs for the new filtration system and have awarded contracts. The work should be completed by July 1, 2026. After rigorous testing, we hope to bring that well station back on line. You will hear a lot more about this innovative project in 2026.

We are always sensitive to costs and have been actively applying for grants to the benefit of our ratepayers. This year we applied for and received \$8M in PFAS water treatment grants. We are using these much needed funds to complete the Riverside PFAS filtration project. We are also using grant funding to find new water sources close to our existing wells near Bond Brook.

We are looking forward to the year ahead with our eyes set on continued effective progress, innovation, financial stewardship, and strong communications. From all of us, we wish you and yours a happy holiday season and a healthy new year!



Sincerely,
Brian Tarbuck
GAUD General Manager

QUESTIONS OR FEEDBACK FOR US?

We always appreciate hearing from you! Our phone number is **(207) 622-3701** and our email address is **contact@gaud.ws**.