EXHIBIT A

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS AND ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF THREE RIVERS AND TO USERS OF THE CITY'S WATER SUPPLY AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM OF INTENT TO ISSUE REVENUE BONDS AND THE <u>RIGHT OF REFERENDUM RELATING THERETO</u>

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City Commission of the City of Three Rivers, County of St. Joseph, Michigan, intends to issue and sell revenue bonds pursuant to Act 94, Public Acts of Michigan, 1933, as amended, in one or more series in a total amount not to exceed Six Million Seven Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$6,725,000), for the purpose of paying all or part of the cost to acquire, construct, furnish and equip improvements to the water supply and sewage disposal system of the City (the "System") including rehabilitation, replacement of existing pump stations, collection system improvements, wastewater treatment plant improvements and all related appurtenances and attachments (the "Project"). The City previously published a notice of intent to issue bonds for the Project on June 11, 2022 in an amount not to exceed Nine Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$9,500,000) (the "Prior Notice"). This principal amount of bonds to be issued and sold pursuant to this notice is in addition to the principal amount of bonds to be issued and sold pursuant to the Prior Notice.

SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF REVENUE BONDS

THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE REVENUE BONDS SHALL BE PAYABLE from the revenues received by the City from the operations of the Water Supply and Sewage Disposal System except as provided below in the case of bonds sold to the Michigan Finance Authority in connection with the State of Michigan's Clean Water State Revolving Fund program. The revenues will consist of rates and charges billed to the users of the System, a schedule of which is presently on file in the office of the City Clerk. The rates and charges may from time to time be revised to provide sufficient revenues to provide for the expenses of operating and maintaining the system, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and to pay other obligations of the System.

BOND DETAILS

Each series of the revenue bonds will be payable in annual installments not to exceed thirty (30) in number and will bear interest at the rate or rates to be determined at public or private sale but in no event to exceed such rates as may be permitted by law on the unpaid balance from time to time remaining outstanding on the bonds.

ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF PAYMENTS FOR BONDS SOLD TO MICHIGAN FINANCE AUTHORITY

IN THE EVENT THAT THE REVENUE BONDS ARE SOLD TO THE MICHIGAN FINANCE AUTHORITY, THE CITY MAY PLEDGE FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS MONEY RECEIVED OR TO BE RECEIVED BY THE CITY DERIVED FROM IMPOSITION OF TAXES BY THE STATE AND RETURNED OR TO BE RETURNED TO THE CITY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, except for money the use of which is prohibited for such purposes by the State Constitution. The City may enter into an agreement providing for the payment of taxes, which taxes are collected by the State and returned to the City as provided by law, to the Michigan Finance Authority or a trustee, and such funds may be pledged for the payment of the revenue bonds.

IN THE EVENT THAT THE REVENUE BONDS ARE SOLD TO THE MICHIGAN FINANCE AUTHORITY, THE CITY MAY PLEDGE ITS LIMITED TAX FULL FAITH AND CREDIT AS SECURITY FOR THE REVENUE BONDS, IN WHICH EVENT DEBT SERVICE ON THE BONDS SHALL BE PAYABLE EITHER FROM REVENUES OF THE SYSTEM OR FROM AD VALOREM TAXES THAT MAY BE LEVIED ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE CITY, SUBJECT HOWEVER, TO CONSTITUTIONAL, STATUTORY AND CHARTER TAX RATE LIMITATIONS.

RIGHT OF REFERENDUM

THE REVENUE BONDS WILL BE ISSUED WITHOUT A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS UNLESS A PETITION REQUESTING SUCH A VOTE SIGNED BY NOT LESS THAN 10% OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE CITY IS FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK WITHIN FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. IF SUCH PETITION IS FILED, THE BONDS MAY NOT BE ISSUED WITHOUT AN APPROVING VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY VOTING THEREON.

THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 33, Act 94, Public Acts of Michigan, 1933, as amended.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION will be furnished at the office of the City Clerk upon request.

Leslie Wilson City Clerk, City of Three Rivers

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