

# TOWN OF NEWTON

## WATER AND SEWAGE BOARD

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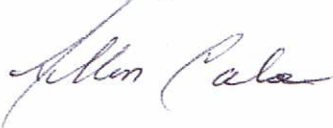
NEWTON, ALABAMA 36352

To Whom It May Concern:

As the Chairman of the Water & Sewer Board for the Town of Newton, I have had the pleasure of working with David Hicks & Associates over the last several years. Our ongoing project includes construction of a 300,000 gallon water tank, water supply well, and water distribution mains to help adequately serve the Wayne Farms Feed Mill, which once complete will be the largest mill in the United States. David Hicks and Associates' knowledge of the various funding agencies has proven extremely beneficial and has helped us obtain over \$1.3 million dollars of grant money from EDA, ADECA, and Rural Development to fund the required work to serve the mill. Our project engineer, Joe Harmon, has been there every step of the way from securing funding, negotiating the water purchase contract with Wayne Farms, design, and construction. It has been evident throughout the process that he has had the board's best interest in mind and has kept us involved and up to date on every aspect of the project.

I would not hesitate to recommend Joe and the staff at David Hicks & Associates to anyone. I have found them to be honest, fair, and highly professional. They have delivered on every promise they have made. I look forward to working with this company on any future projects that we may encounter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Allen Cole".

Allen Cole  
Chairman