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### **WOODBINE MAKES \$400,000 GRANT APPLICATION TO DCA FOR WATER TOWER REHABILITATION**

**Woodbine**—Mayor William Pikolycky is pleased to announce that the Borough of Woodbine has made application in the amount of \$400,000 to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Public Facilities 2014 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program.

This grant would fund the renovation of the Woodbine Municipal Utilities (WMUA) Water Tower Renovation Project.

This work is being done pursuant to an elevated tank study done by Mumford-Bjorkman Associates to assess the condition of the Borough's only water tower, which was built in 1982.

After temporarily relocating the telecommunications antennas presently on the water storage tower, the work to be done will include: replacement of anti bird-roosting devices; sediment removal and disposal; reconstruction/replacement of the 30-foot riser manhole as well as installation of a new safety climbing system, a new ladder guard, and cable messenger pipes. In addition, structural repairs will be made to the existing catwalk and brackets. The final work will be the complete cleaning, preparation and painting of the interior and exterior of the tower including application of the FAA Warning Roof Coating.

“We are applying for this funding in order to pro-actively renovate all aspects of our community water tower so as to better serve the health, safety, and welfare of our residents and businesses,” added Mayor Pikolycky. “This will allow the WMUA to avoid burdening the rate payers with the expense of this renovation.”