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Catawissa, Pennsylvania Mutual Aid Ordinance
CATAWISSA BOROUGH ORDINANCE 2006-01

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE MUNICIPALITY TO EXECUTE A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT WITH INTERSTATE AND INTRASTATE PARTICIPATING MUNICIPALITIES WITH MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC SYSTEMS, IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO RECEIVE AND PROVIDE MUTUAL ASSISTANCE DURING TIMES OF EMERGENCIES THROUGH THE INTERCHANGE AND USE OF PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania law provides authority for the Borough of Catawissa, Pennsylvania (herein "Municipality") to execute an agreement with other in state and out of state municipalities for the joint provision of aid during times of emergencies; and

WHEREAS, American Municipal Power-Ohio, Inc. (herein "AMP-Ohio") organizes and manages a Mutual Aid Program among its member municipalities wherein members experiencing an emergency in the provision of electricity to customers of the municipal electric system can request assistance from other participating member municipalities, both intrastate and interstate, to assist Municipality in expediting repairs to its electric system to restore electric service as soon as possible.; and

WHEREAS, Municipality is a member of AMTP-Ohio and operates a municipal electric system; and

WHEREAS, Municipality deems it prudent to enter into a Mutual Aid Agreement with AMP-Ohio and other participating member municipalities to participate in the AMP-Ohio Mutual Aid Program so that it can provide and receive aid and assistance from other municipalities in times of an emergency; and

WHEREAS, a Mutual Aid Agreement to receive and provide assistance in times of an emergency to preserve the public health, safety and welfare is a valid public purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF BOROUGH OF CATAWISSA, PENNSYLVANIA:

SECTION 1. That the form of the Mutual Aid Agreement, substantially in the Form attached hereto, is approved.

SECTION 2. That the President of the Borough Council is authorized and directed to execute the Mutual Aid Agreement, substantially in the form of the mutual agreement attached hereto.

SECTION 3. That any and all competitive bidding requirements are hereby waived.

SECTION 4. That the Municipality agrees to reimburse any Signatory to the Mutual Aid Agreement all eligible costs for services provided to the Municipality in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Mutual Aid agreement in response to a request for aid from the Municipality.

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SECTION 5: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect at the earliest period provided by law.

PASSED this 5th day of June, 2006

Donald E Stewart
President of Council

APPROVED this 5th day of June, 2006

ATTEST:

Harold D Kitchen
Mayor

James Q Erb
Clerk-Treasurer