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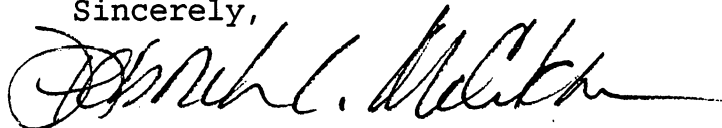
Re: Office of Watershed Management

Dear Ms. Drury:

Mr. Chip Norton, Director of the Office of Watershed Management called me today to assure me that his office is aware of the need to provide an accessible fresh water supply for the companionable four-legged animals who are also users of Fresh Pond. Mr. Norton told me that plans are already underway to make this correction when weather permits, and certainly by next Spring when the outdoor fountains for people are turned on. I was delighted that he was concerned enough to respond so promptly, and affirmatively, to my request.

By this letter, I am requesting that my correspondence on this matter be read to the City Council, with my thanks and appreciation to the Office of Watershed Management and the Cambridge Water Department.

Sincerely,



Deborah L. McCutcheon

cc: Mr. Chip Norton
Ranger Jean

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Mr. Chip Norton
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Cambridge Water Department
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Re: Dogs get thirsty too!

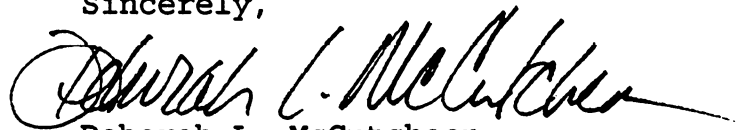
Dear Mr. Norton:

Over the past twenty-five years that I have lived in Cambridge I have jogged, or walked, around Fresh Pond with my dog, and successor dogs, almost every day. We have much enjoyed this oasis in the City. During the past several years of construction, the residents of my neighborhood (my house is on Walden Street, near the corner of Vassal lane) have endured the mud, the noise, the detours from construction of the new water plant to see a truly beautiful building finally emerge. Those of us who walk the Pond daily were pleased and proud when the landscaping began, and particularly so when we realized how much thought and care had been devoted to planning and building a beautiful park.

But for years there has always been at least one operable faucet, near the ground, where a thirsty dog can enjoy a drink after a romp around the Pond. Why have you forgotten our companion animals who love and enjoy the Pond as much as we do?

Can something be done to rectify what I hope is simply an unintentional oversight?

Sincerely,



Deborah L. McCutcheon

cc: Ranger Jean
Margaret Drury

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Consent Communication #1

A communication was received
from Deborah L. McCutcheon,
regarding the Office of Watershed
Management.

In City Council December 17, 2001

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