EXHIBIT F9

AGREEMENT, DATED APRIL 18, 1996, BY AND BETWEEN TOWNSHIP OF FALLS, TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD, AND THE LOWER MAKEFIELD TOWNSHIP SEWER AUTHORITY

AGREEMENT

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THIS AGREEMENT, made and concluded this / I day of Upil , 1996, by and between THE TOWNSHIP OF FALLS, a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (hereinafter referred to as "Falls Township"); THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD, a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and THE LOWER MAKEFIELD TOWNSHIP SEWER AUTHORITY, an Authority created pursuant to the Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Act (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Lower Makefield").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, commencing in May of 1962, Lower Makefield and The Township of Falls Authority entered into certain agreements wherein The Township of Falls Authority agreed to provide sanitary sewer service to portions of Lower Makefield Township; and

WHEREAS, in addition to providing retail service to a portion of Lower Makefield Township, The Township of Falls Authority and Lower Makefield also entered into agreements wherein The Township of Falls Authority agreed to transmit, on a wholesale basis, certain sanitary sewage generated by portions of Lower Makefield Township for ultimate treatment through the facilities of the Bucks County Water and Sewer Authority; and

WHEREAS, the agreements referred to above were executed on May 23, 1962, September 11, 1962, March 13, 1965, February 6, 1975 and December 12, 1988; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Falls Township, the Township dissolved The Township of Falls Authority and assumed the assets and liabilities of The Township of Falls Authority; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the foregoing action undertaken by the Board of Supervisors of Falls Township, The Township of Falls Authority ceases to operate; and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto are desirous of confirming the obligations of the parties with respect to the above-referenced agreements.

NOW, THEREFORE, intending to be legally bound and for other good and valuable consideration, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Falls Township agrees, that as a result of its actions taken to dissolve The Township of Falls Authority, it acquired the assets and liabilities of The Township of Falls Authority and as such, herein agrees to be bound by all prior agreements entered into between The Township of Falls Authority and either the Township of Lower Makefield or the Lower Makefield Township Sewer Authority, as if said agreements had originally been executed by Falls Township and not by The Township of Falls Authority.

2. Lower Makefield agrees to the substitution of parties and agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions of the aforementioned agreements and to recognize that Falls Township has acceded to the rights and liabilities of The Township of Falls Authority.

3. This Agreement shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and shall be binding upon the respective parties, their successors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

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LOWER MAKEFIELD TOWNSHIP SEWER AUTHORITY

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