**Petition No: 2012-008** 

## RECOMMENDATION

We have the following comments that are critical to CMS' support of this petition:

Adequacy of existing school capacity in this area is a significant problem. We are particularly concerned about rezoning cases where school utilization exceeds 100% since the proposed development will exacerbate this situation. Approval of this petition will increase overcrowding and/or reliance upon mobile classrooms at the schools listed below.

The total estimated capital cost of providing the additional school capacity for this new development is \$2,159,000 calculated as follows:

Elementary School: **70**x \$20,000 = \$1,400,000

Middle School:  $33 \times 23,000 = 759,000$ 

CMS recommends the petitioner schedule a meeting with staff to discuss any opportunities that the petitioner/developer may propose to improve the adequacy of school capacity in the immediate area of the proposed development.

## TOTAL IMPACT FROM PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

Proposed Housing Units: 240 multi-family apartments under R-8MF (CD) SPA and R-8MF (CD)

CMS Planning Area: 17

Average Student Yield per Unit: 0.5885

This development will add approximately141 students to the schools in this area.

The following data is as of 20<sup>th</sup> Day of the 2011-12 school year.

Schools Affected	20 <sup>th</sup> Day, 2011-12 Enrollment (non-ec)	Total Classroom Teachers	Building Classrooms/ Teacher Stations	20 <sup>th</sup> Day, 2011-12 Building Utilization (Without Mobiles)	Building Classroom/ Adjusted Capacity (Without Mobiles)	Additional Students As a result of this development	Utilization As of result of this development (Without Mobiles)
HORNETS NEST ES	576	33	36	92%	661	70	103%
RANSON MS	1098	65.5	52	126%	1112	33	135%
HOPEWELL HS	1719	90.5	100	91%	2436	38	93%

## **INCREMENTAL IMPACT FROM PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT\***

Existing number of housing units allowed: 152 multi-family units under R-8 MF (CD) and R-3 zoning

Number of students potentially generated under current zoning: 89 students (44 elementary, 21 middle, 24 high)

The development allowed under existing zoning would generate 89 students, while the development allowed under the proposed zoning will produce 141 students. Therefore, the net changes in the number of students generated from existing zoning to proposed zoning are 52 students.

As requested, we are also providing information regarding the difference in the number of potential students from the existing zoning to the proposed zoning. Please note that this method of determining potential numbers of students from an area underestimates the number of students CMS may gain from the new development.