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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17120

VIA E-MAIL AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

RE: Complaint of Sandy Township re: City of DuBois - Bureau of Water; Docket Nos. R-2016-2554150 and C-2016-2557459

Dear Ms. Chiavetta:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that this matter involves a rate proceeding and, pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §5.61(d), the City of DuBois – Bureau of Water ("Bureau") will not be filing an Answer to the Complaint filed by Sandy Township in the above-referenced proceeding.

On June 30, 2016, the Bureau filed documents and supporting information proposing to implement an overall rate increase of \$257,604 per year in the Bureau's water rates (the "Base Rate Filing"). On July 20, 2016, Sandy Township served a Complaint upon the Bureau regarding its Base Rate Filing.

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §5.61(d), the Bureau has elected not to answer Sandy Township's Complaint against the Base Rate Filing because the Bureau views it as a Complaint in a rate case. Please contact me if the PUC believes that the Bureau should answer the aforementioned Compliant.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

McNEES WALLACE & NURICK LLC

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By

Alessandra L. Hylander

c: Hon. Charles E. Rainey, Jr.

Certificate of Service

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing document upon the participants listed below in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

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Dated this 1st day of August, 2016, at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.