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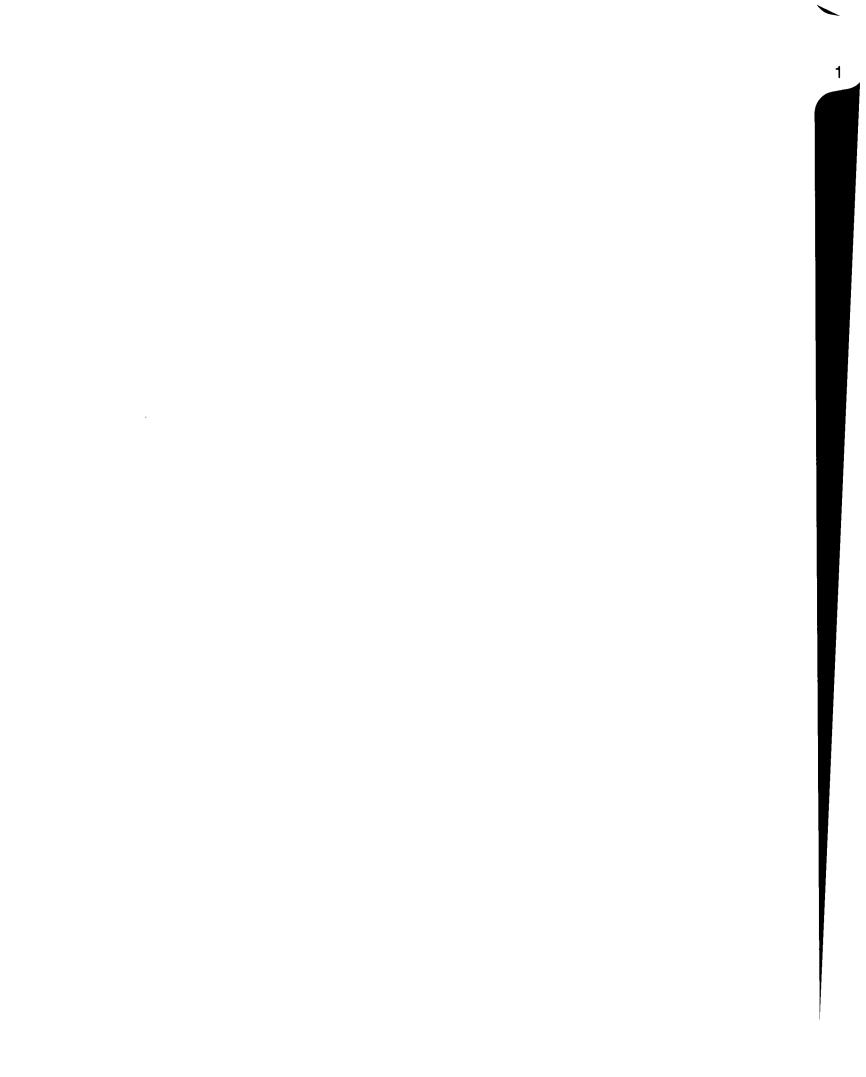
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## 1 I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

- 2 Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND CURRENT POSITION WITH PWSA.
- 3 A. My name is Robert "Bob" A. Weimar. My position with The Pittsburgh Water & Sewer
- 4 Authority ("PWSA" or "Authority") is Executive Director.
- 5 O. HOW LONG HAVE YOU HELD THIS POSITION?
- 6 A. I was appointed Interim Executive Director in April 2017. Prior to that appointment, I
- 7 worked for PWSA as a capital program manager and interim director of construction and
- 8 engineering.
- 9 O. WHAT ARE YOUR VARIOUS JOB RESPONSIBILITIES?
- 10 A. In my present position, my responsibilities include executing policy goals and objectives
- established by the Board of Directors; Preparing an annual business plan and budget;
- Developing, supervising and administering the PWSA's staff and programs; directing the
- operation of the water system; overseeing the operation of the sewer system and
- stormwater system; developing and implementing a capital improvement and
- maintenance plan; directing water marketing efforts; and interacting with customers,
- elected officials, consumer groups, governmental entities and the media.
- 17 Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE.
- 18 A. I worked in the water and wastewater industries as a professional engineer for 46 years. I
- have a degree in civil engineering from the University of Massachusetts and completed
- 20 master's-degree-level classes in water resources at Northeastern University. A more
- 21 complete description of my background and experience is set forth on Appendix A to this
- 22 testimony.
- 23 Q. HAVE YOU EVER PROVIDED TESTIMONY BEFORE THIS COMMISSION?
- 24 A. No.

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#### O. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY IN THIS PROCEEDING?

2 I will provide the Commission with an overview of PWSA and PWSA's initial tariff and A. 3 rate request filing. I will discuss the water utility objectives that PWSA seeks to 4 accomplish in the coming years. I will discuss PWSA's present and future efforts to 5 renew itself into a "best in class" water/wastewater/stormwater utility and the successes it 6 has so far achieved, as well as some of the challenges that are ahead. I also describe the 7 various issues that PWSA will be addressing in its forthcoming "Compliance Filing," due to be filed by September 28 (as well as in subsequent proceedings) so that the 9 Commission and parties can evaluate this tariff filing with a more complete picture of 10 PWSA's plans and intentions. Finally, I will introduce PWSA's other witnesses who provide detailed testimony and supporting documentation for revenues, expenses and rate base items included in the fully projected future test year used in this base rate filing, as well as cost of service and rate structure.

#### 14 II. **DESCRIPTION OF PWSA**

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#### 15 PLEASE PROVIDE A GENERAL OVERVIEW OF PWSA. O.

16 PWSA is a municipal water authority serving more than 300,000 people in total A. 17 throughout the City of Pittsburgh ("City") and surrounding communities. PWSA is the 18 largest combined water and sewer authority in Pennsylvania, producing an average of 70 19 million gallons of water daily. PWSA's employees are primarily city residents and 20 PWSA customers with expertise in engineering, operations, maintenance, water quality, 21 customer service, safety, green infrastructure and a number of other disciplines. Under leadership of the new PWSA Board of Directors, PWSA strives to constantly improve its 22

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The PWSA sewer system is composed of 1,200 miles of sewer lines, approximately 25,000 catch basins and four pump stations. The sewer collection system is primarily a combined collection system that serves the entire City, which collects both sewage and stormwater in a single piping network. Our combined sewer system also conveys sewage for portions of 24 neighboring municipal communities. The wastewater collected by the PWSA system is conveyed to the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority ("ALCOSAN") for treatment. PWSA customers are billed by ALCOSAN for waste treatment service via a "pass-through" charge on PWSA's bill.

PWSA treats, analyzes, stores and delivers over 70 million gallons of water per day, maintains and operates over 930 miles of water lines and 1,200 miles of sewer lines, 24-hours a day, seven days a week.

PWSA has a state of the art stormwater and green infrastructure program comprised of engineers, project managers, and consultants managing several active green infrastructure projects throughout the city.

PWSA provides water service to approximately 80,000 residential, commercial, and industrial customers located in the City. The remainder of the city's residents are serviced by three companies: West View Water Authority, which provides water service to a small area in the Western part of the City; Wilkinsburg-Penn Joint Water Authority, which provides water service in a small area in the Eastern part of the City; and, the Pennsylvania American water system, which provides water service – in the more Southern parts of the City -based upon an agreement with the City.

In terms of legal structure, the Authority is a body politic and corporate, organized and existing under the Pennsylvania Municipality Authorities Act. The Authority was established by the City in 1984 and it originally functioned as a financing authority. Since 1995, PWSA has functioned as an operating authority. As an operating authority, PWSA assumed responsibility from the City for management, operation, maintenance, and improvement of virtually the entire City water supply, distribution, and wastewater collection systems. In 2009, the Authority acquired the water system of the Borough of Millvale. Although the City has a role in the creation (and continued existence) of PWSA, including the appointment of the members of PWSA's Board, PWSA is not a part of City itself. PWSA is a separate legal entity with power to incur debt, own property and finance its activities. It is my understanding that PWSA is an independent agency of the Commonwealth, and is not the agent or representative of the City.

PWSA and the City provide various services to and undertake various responsibilities for one another. These services are provided pursuant to a "Cooperation Agreement, first executed in 1995, pursuant to which PWSA will pay the City \$7.15 million in 2019. Discussions are currently being conducted between the City and the Authority to renegotiate the Agreement to insure equity and fairness for both parties.

The mission of PWSA is to provide the highest quality water, convey sewage and manage stormwater at the best possible price for its customers. Customer satisfaction is PWSA's highest priority, and it strives to work with customers to resolve any issues they may encounter.

## Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE GOVERNING BODY FOR PWSA.

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A. PWSA is governed by a Board of Directors (Board) whose members are appointed by the

Mayor of the City. The current board members are Paul Leger, Chairperson; Margaret

Lanier, Vice Chairperson; Jim Turner, Secretary; Deb Gross, Assistant Secretary, and

Chatón Turner. Two board positions remain vacant at this time; PWSA expects a full

requisite board will be appointed upon completion of an ongoing cooperation agreement

negotiation and governance agreement approval with and by the City Council.

## Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE PWSA'S EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT AND ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

9 A. PWSA is operated through three operating divisions under the Executive Director:
 10 Administration, Engineering and Construction, and Operations.

The Administration Division is responsible for the administrative and support functions of PWSA. This division's major responsibilities include administration, communications, customer service, finance, procurement, human resources, and management information systems.

Engineering and Construction Division works to safely and efficiently deliver an effective capital improvement program and to support operations with the cost-effective technical solutions to water line breaks, sewer stoppages and collapsed pipes, combined sewer overflows ("CSOs") and stormwater flooding and basement backups. Also, Engineering and Construction is responsible for addressing all regulatory consent orders for water sewer and storm water issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and the United States Environmental Protection Agency. These include the CSO, Sanitary Sewer Overflow ("SSO") and municipal separate stormwater systems compliance requirements from State and Federal environmental authorities.

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Engineering and Construction also prepares and assists in reviewing of water and sewer tap-in applications, as well as proposed stormwater mitigation systems.

The Operations Division works to supply an adequate quantity of water to PWSA's customers while maintaining good quality in accordance with state and federal drinking water regulations. The operations division also ensures conveyance of sewage and stormwater to the ALCOSAN regional wastewater system and is responsible for maintaining all infrastructure below grade. The operations division works collaboratively with the city of Pittsburgh Department of Public Works and Department of Mobility and Infrastructure to ensure roads remain safe for public travel at all times.. It is Operations' responsibility to be aware of customer needs and address their concerns (e.g., service line leaks, catch basin cleaning, and sewer line maintenance and repair). PWSA maintains sufficient inventory of materials and equipment to respond promptly to a request regarding water and wastewater services. Additionally, Operations strives to maintain a safe working environment while establishing an effective and efficient operations division that will provide the highest quality service at the lowest possible cost.

#### O. HOW DOES PWSA STAFF ITS OPERATIONS?

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PWSA has 292 employees as of June 30, 2018, with 4 more scheduled to start during July. The majority of Authority employees are represented by one of three labor unions. The Pittsburgh Joint Collective Bargaining Committee (PJCBC) represents blue-collar employees. The American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) represents Local 2719 and Local 2037 employees. Management and professional staff are contracted as "at will" employees. In addition, PWSA has engaged the services of professional consultants for engineering and finance senior management positions, as well as numerous other project management and senior experts. This

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requirement has been the result of PWSA's rapid growth in all staff categories to meet our regulatory compliance, facilities maintenance and restoration, permitting, and design and construction of facilities upgrades and replacements. PWSA also supplements its core staff with a program manager and a financial consulting services firm. Additional experts in finance, legal and administration have been engaged as required to fulfill state federal and local regulatory and administrative requirements.

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## III. DESCRIPTION OF PWSA'S OPERATIONS

## A. Drinking Water

## Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE PWSA'S WATER SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM.

The water systems history dates back to the 1850s when steel manufacturing was developing in the Pittsburgh area. The primary system was sized to meet the industrial water demands as well as provide basic water service to the surrounding population. Using the Allegheny River as it supply, several water companies independently served the region. The first water treatment plant was built in Aspinwall as a slow sand filter plant, which was located on the property now housing the Waterworks Mall. The water supply and distribution system (the "Water System") now consists of a 117 million gallon per day conventional flocculation, sedimentation and rapid sand process treatment plant which was placed in service in 1969, 930 miles of water mains plus more than 81,000 service lines, more than 25,900 line valves, more than 7,300 fire hydrants, twelve pumping stations, one membrane filtration retreatment plant, five reservoirs, and eleven storage tanks. The total storage capacity of the reservoirs and tanks is approximately 455 million gallons. With consideration given to the pressure requirements of the distribution

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system, and storage capacities in each of the 15 pressure zones, the Authority stores enough finished water to provide a (with water use restrictions) 1 to 2 day uninterrupted supply to all customers should it temporarily be unable to treat additional water from the Allegheny River.

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The sole source of water for the Water System is the Allegheny River for which the Authority and its predecessors have held withdrawal permits since 1943. In March 1989, the then Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources (now the "PADEP") issued the Authority a Water Allocation Permit under the 1939 Water Rights Act. This permit authorizes the withdrawal of up to 100 million gallons per day and the PADEP determined that this would cause no major impact on navigation. PWSA's current average withdrawal of water from the Allegheny River is approximately 70 million gallons per day. The Authority's Consulting Engineer is of the opinion that the Allegheny River's water is of good quality, and that there is ample quantity to meet foreseeable demands given current allocation permit conditions and foreseeable river flow conditions.

## Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE PWSA'S CONSENT ORDER AND AGREEMENT WITH PADEP ON LEAD SERVICE LINES.

Under a consent order with PADEP, PWSA will replace at least 2,100 more of its publicly owned lead service connections through December 2018. When the connection ties into a lead service pipe on the customer's end, PWSA will delay any replacement until the homeowner or building landlord accepts PWSA's proposed private service line replacement offer. PWSA offers to replace that second pipe segment – the customer side – at no charge to the property owner for the calendar year 2018. This program was intended to expedite the rate of lead service line replacements such that we could achieve

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the requisite annual lead service line totals. The Authority has not made any decisions regarding future financial support to homeowners for the private service line replacement..

PWSA budgeted \$44 million to replace 2,100 lead waterlines in Pittsburgh in 2018 as part of an agreement with PADEP. The Authority will replace publicly owned lead service lines to homes as well as the Private side lead service lines at no cost as long as the property owner agrees. At this time, PWSA has replaced 1341 service lines as required by the PADEP order, signed in November, 2017. An additional 885 lines will be replaced by December 2018, as required by the PADEP Consent Order.

PWSA counts about 71,000 of residential connections system-wide, and PADEP expects the authority to inventory them all – and identify all the lead ones – by Dec. 31, 2020. In 2016, the Authority reported to the PADEP that about 15,000 service lines contained the hazardous metal.

To locate the lead lines, PWSA is relying largely on all available construction records and a recently implemented curb-box inspections programs. The process sends a camera down the bolted metal curb box which accesses the shutoff valve in the sidewalk outside a customer's home. The service line material is checked using a digital camera which allows visual inspection. PWSA's contractor, Michael Baker International, is due to inspect about 15,000 connections through the process in 2018, and will continue under contract until all residential lines are identified.

All the work falls under PWSA's \$44 million construction budget allocation for its lead-line program in 2018. After lead levels in semi-annual compliance test homes eclipsed a federal Lead Action Level, PADEP ordered PWSA in 2016 to replace at least 7

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percent (1,341 service lines) of its lead service lines each year. Subsequent compliance tests also failed to meet the Federal Action Level for another semi-annual compliance test. Semi-annual tests of a minimum of 100 residential customers will be performed until 2 consecutive tests show the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile value is less than USEPA action level of 15 parts per billion. PWSA is also finalizing the implementation of an orthophosphate treatment to manage lead corrosion throughout the system, which has been approved by the PADEP.

## Q. ARE THERE ANY OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS FROM THE PADEP?

In October, 2017, the PADEP issued an administrative Order directing the Authority to implement several key water supply projects. These projects included: (1) installation of a new cover and liner for the Lanpher (Finished Water) Reservoir; (2) upgrading the standby power and pump systems at the Bruecken Pump Station; (3) installation of treatment and security upgrades for the Authority's Microfiltration Plant and the Highland No. 1 Reservoir (an uncovered distribution system reservoir); and (4) installation of a distribution system wide pressure monitoring system to ensure that adequate service line pressures are maintained at all times.

Additional administrative Orders are being proposed to address other key water supply and transmission system improvements that are required to restore the Authority's water system reliability, and resilience to natural disasters, infrastructure failures (e.g. power loss, etc.) and other man-caused incidents. Formative plans to address these infrastructure demands have been incorporated into the Authority's proposed Capital Investment Program.

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## B. Wastewater Collection and Transmission

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## Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE PWSA'S COMBINED SANITARY/STORMWATER WASTEWATER FACILITIES.

PWSA's wastewater collection and conveyance system (the "Sewer System") is part of a regional system that provides service to about 550,000 people, of whom nearly 325,000 live within the City. The total drainage area served by the regional system is approximately 80 square miles, of which the City comprises about 55 square miles, or nearly 70 percent of the total. The outlying sewershed is comprised of 24 communities which utilize the Authority's trunk sewers to convey their wastewater to ALCOSAN Regional Sewage Treatment facilities.

PWSA's Sewer System is primarily comprised of combined sewers which are designed to carry both storm and sanitary flows, about 75% of the system is combined sewers and the remaining 25% are designed as separate sewage and stormwater piped systems. The Sewer System is comprised of a network of approximately 1,200 miles of sewer lines and four wastewater-pumping stations. The average age of the sewer lines is between 60 and 70 years old, with some portions reaching nearly 150 years in age.

Before the ALCOSAN Regional Treatment Facilities were built starting in the 1950's, PWSA's combined sewers discharged directly into the local rivers through several hundred outfalls. While most sewage is now directed to ALCOSAN (see below), ALCOSAN diversion chambers direct overflows through these outfalls to alleviate the combined sewer system during storm events. Maintenance of the outfalls will depend upon PWSA's stormwater management programs and the ongoing ALCOSAN Regional Combined Sewer Overflow program, as mandated by a USEPA Consent Order.

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1		The Sewer System conveys wastewater generated within the City boundaries to
2		ALCOSAN interceptors along the rivers of the City for conveyance to ALCOSAN's
3		wastewater treatment facility for processing prior to discharge into the Ohio River. The
4		Sewer System is designed so that during wet weather, a portion of the collected storm
5		water and diluted wastewater is discharged to natural water courses by diversion
6		chambers located throughout the Sewer System and at connections to the ALCOSAN
7		interceptors All sewage and portions of stormwater are conveyed to the ALCOSAN
8		treatment facility, which is not part of the PWSA system; ALCOSAN operates and
9		maintains this regional facility (serving 83 cities and towns in Allegheny County)
10		pursuant to its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("NPDES") permit.
11 12	Q.	PLEASE DESCRIBE PWSA'S CONSENT ORDER AND AGREEMENT WITH PADEP HAVING TO DO WITH THE SEWER SYSTEM.
13	A.	PADEP Order requires the Authority and the City to assess the Sewer System in order to
14		develop a plan with ALCOSAN to address wet weather overflows in the City.
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16		C. Stormwater Services
17 18	Q.	WOULD YOU PLEASE DESCRIBE PWSA'S SEPARATE STORMWATER FACILITIES?
19	A.	Overall, Pittsburgh has two stormwater systems: 75% of the City has combined sewers
20		which convey wastewater and stormwater, 25% has separated storm sewers. The City's
21		combined sewer systems contributes to the Allegheny Region's Combined Sewer
22		Overflow volume which must be addressed to comply with State and Federal Water
23		Quality Regulations. At present, ALCOSAN is the regional sewage treatment entity and
24		has been directed by USEPA to implement an abatement program. PWSA and the City

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have similar requirements to address this issue to be the subject of a Consent Order, for which PWSA and the USEPA are poised to start negotiating.

PWSA is taking a green first approach to managing stormwater wherever appropriate. New development is required to consider separate storm sewers wherever possible. Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems, known as MS4's, must comply with other water quality and minimum controls which are designed to minimize water quality impacts to the River (or any water body receiving any polluted stormwater discharges). The Green First Program as proposed will utilize green intrastructure and "grey" infrastructure such as storage tanks or pipes, to provide a short term detention in during storms, but allow stormwater flows to be redirected to the combined sewers once the offending rain storm abates.

As GI projects are known to detain stormwater and reduce outfall discharges during storm events, PWSA encourages the installation of GI where feasible as it works to reduce overloading of the Combined Sewers which contributes to regional CSOs. To do this, PWSA completed an assessment (known as the "City-Wide Green First Plan") evaluating the benefits of incorporating GI projects throughout the City. PWSA also has previously sponsored and funded a grant program designed to support local, grassroots efforts that employ GI projects to manage stormwater in regional watersheds as well as local neighborhoods. Strategic projects to remove existing streamflows from the ALCOSAN regional conveyance system will provide the greatest immediate benefit to reduce CSO, and have the highest abatement per dollar of investment. Local

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The City-Wide Green First Plan was released in December 2016. It is available at: http://pgh2o.com/City-Wide-Green-Plan.

neighborhood projects are also being designed and built in those primary sewersheds that contribute the greatest volume of CSO.

Currently, stormwater management and related GI projects are funded through PWSA's existing meter-based rate structure, the costs of which being assigned to the costs of sewer conveyance. Significant funding is also expected from the regional sewer conveyance authority, ALCOSAN, to defray PWSA investments that have a direct regional benefit. PWSA plans to file a separate stormwater tariff so that costs of stormwater management will be able to be proportionally allocated to the customers and areas that that generate the stormwater flows. The Stormwater Tariff will include a proposed stormwater fee that will provide the funding mechanism to meet the goals and objectives of the City-Wide Green First Plan.

## 12 IV. OVERVIEW OF REASONS FOR RATE FILING

13 Q. PLEASE DISCUSS THE RATE RELIEF THAT PWSA IS REQUESTING.

A. PWSA is requesting an increase in its annual user charges of \$27 million, or 17.1% on a total revenue basis. Consistent with its budget process, the base rate increase requested in this filing is based on a fully projected future test year starting on January 1, 2019

("FPFTY").2

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The statutory definition of FPFTY, 66 Pa.C.S. § 315(e), would require that the FPFTY commence in April 2019 and continue for 12 months. So, simultaneously with the filing of general base case, PWSA has filed a Petition requesting that the Commission waive the application of the statutory definition of fully projected future test year ("FPFTY") so as to permit PWSA to use a FPFTY beginning on January 1, 2019 in this proceeding.

## O. WHY HAS PWSA MADE THIS FILING?

A. This filing is required under Chapter 32 of the Public Utility Code.<sup>3</sup> In addition, PWSA
has made, and must continue to make, substantial investments in new and replacement
facilities in order to replace aging infrastructure, comply with mandates imposed by the
Safe Drinking Water Act, the Clean Water Act and the Clean Streams Law and their
associated regulations, and meet customers' demands for water and wastewater service.
It is crucial that these capital additions and programs be funded through adequate rate
levels charged to customers.

## 9 Q. WHAT ARE KEY REASONS FOR THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL REVENUES NOW?

A. As described in more detail in Ms. Lestitian's testimony (PWSA St. 2), the key factors causing the need for additional revenues are:

Increased Costs: Until 2016, PWSA's operational and capital investments were artificially restrained to avoid any significant rate increases. From 2015 to 2018, the Authority's management team has renewed compliance with standing regulatory requirements, addressed key system deficiencies, improved its staff training, safety and equipment to fully address the longstanding deficiencies, and restore the entire Utility's functionality. Although the Authority vigilantly works to control operating costs, the Authority's renewal efforts and other specific routine costs have increased the annual operating budget. In 2019, the largest driver of increased costs is increased debt service caused by the planned issuance of some \$150.2 million in additional long-term debt. The Authority is also facing increased operating expenses (about \$1.2 million) compared to 2018, to implement the essential

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See 66 Pa.C.S. §§ 3204(a), (c).

programs and initiatives designed to improve the safety, efficiency and quality of PWSA's water and sewer service. In addition, the Authority has the continuing need to invest in its systems to replace lead service lines and other aging infrastructure to ensure water quality, safety, reliability and customer-service levels.

- Revised Sales Projections: PWSA has revised its 2019 demand forecast to
  eliminate the effect of past billing system issues and to better reflect 2017
  experienced sales. PWSA's revised demand forecast shows a reduction in sales
  compared to the 2018 forecast.
- Maintain Credit Ratings: The Authority must be able to raise future capital on reasonable terms. Unless adjusted, the Authority's present rates will not ensure its current credit rating and its ability to attract the future capital necessary to continue to make investments in infrastructure to maintain and improve its safety, reliability and customer-service levels.

PWSA understands the burden any rate increase imposes on our customers. However, during the years prior to 2017, our rates have remained artificially low – far below similar utilities – which prevented PWSA from proper operations and prudent investments. As a result, we have not been able to make the essential investments in our water, sewer, and stormwater systems that were needed to ensure the continued compliance with all regulatory requirements and the provision of the highest quality service to customers. Inadequate investment has resulted in equipment failures, water quality issues, and a general public concern about its utility systems. PWSA has undertaken a comprehensive Capital Improvement Plan ("CIP") that is set to result in a

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1	significant increase in spending from less than \$40 million a year (2017) to up to \$300
2	million/year in 2020. These monies will be used to rebuild reservoirs, pipes and pumps,
3	replace lead service pipes, and, most importantly, to renew and replace much of the
4	Aspinwall Water Treatment Plant. In addition, PWSA has committed to a number of
5	initiatives to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of our workforce, improve
6	customers service and modernize customer communications. The costs of these
7	initiatives, many of which were initiated this year, will continue in 2019 and beyond.
8	The rate increase requested here is driven largely by the increased operating and
9	construction expenditures needed to achieve these important goals. Simply put, this
0	increase, and likely additional future increases, are absolutely crucial if PWSA is to
1	achieve its goals of providing safe, reliable and efficient service of the highest quality, as
2	well as fully comply with all federal and state regulations and mandates.

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#### 13 V. MANAGEMENT QUALITY, EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS

- 14 YOU HAVE DISCUSSED THE SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES FACING PWSA Q. 15 NOW AND IN THE FUTURE; HAS PWSA STARTED MAKING IMPROVEMENTS IN ITS OPERATIONS OR ORGANIZATION TO BEGIN TO
- 16 **MEET THOSE CHALLENGES?** 17
- 18 A. Yes. In the last 15 months PWSA has energized its organization and efforts to "Get Stuff 19 Done" for the benefit of its customers and the City. Here is a high level list of some of 20 PWSA's most notable efforts:
- 21 In the area of Protecting Public Health and the Environment:
  - Produced 100% compliant drinking water;
- 23 Finalized a water quality improvement plan for TTHM's, Lead Corrosion Control, 24
- 25 1341 lead service lines (PWSA side) replaced throughout the city, plus replacing more than 350 private side lead service lines. PWSA's Lead 26

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1 2		program will continue to replace more than 15 to 20 Lead Service Lines Per Day until year end;
3 4 5 6 7 8 9		- Finalized the Green First Plan to abate Regional Combined sewer overflows (CSOs), This City wide program uses a stormwater management approach which also reduces basement backups and neighborhood flooding. Several significant demonstration projects and major stream removal projects are now under planning, design and construction. These projects are being implemented in collaboration with ALCOSAN, Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy and the City of Pittsburgh;
10		- Implementing Green Infrastructure projects.
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12	-	In the area of Ensuring Customer and Stakeholder Satisfaction:
13 14		- Repaired an average of 55 water breaks per month, particularly during the winter months;
15 16		- Implemented Bill Discount and Subsidy Programs for Low Income Residents;
17		- Decreased average answer time in the Call Center to 3.06 minutes;
18		- Assisting 1,100 walk-in customers per month;
19 20		- Received only 3 formal complaint since moving under PA PUC jurisdiction on April 1, 2018.
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22	_	In the area of Improving Infrastructure Reliability:
23 24		- Increased capital delivery from \$40 million to \$50 million per year; 2018 is estimated to be \$70+ million;
25 26		- Completed Projects to provide backup up pump and power systems to the primary pump stations;
27 28		- Completed Reconstruction of the 65 Million Gallon, East Cell of the Lanpher Reservoir (July 25 <sup>th</sup> );
29		- Completed Reconstruction of Water Treatment Plant Filter Gallery (2017).
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31	_	In the area of Maintaining a High-Performance Workforce:
32 33 34 35		- Hired New Senior Managers for Administration, Chief Counsel, Operations Deputy Director, Operations Senior Managers, Professional Engineers, Treasurer, SCADA Manager (new position) Customer Service Director and Procurement Manager;
36 37		<ul> <li>Developed a revised organizational structure with new position descriptions;</li> </ul>

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1 2 3		- Increased employees training time to over 2 hours a person per month, implementing Project Manager Training for Engineering and Operations staff in July 2018;
4		- Filling an average of 6 positions per month.
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6		<ul> <li>In the area of Being an Efficient and Effective Organization:</li> </ul>
7 8		- The typical service disruption decreased for the third straight month to 4.53 hours;
9		- Long term debt ratio was 1.29x in 2017, which beats the 1.1x target;
10 11 12		- Significantly beat the 5% construction change order rate target, with an average of about 2% (Owner requested changes in scope due to emergency repairs not included).
13		A comprehensive list of "Actions and Successes" for 2017 and 2018 are set out in an
14		attached Exhibit, RAW-1.
15 16	Q.	HAS THE PWSA FORMULATED A PLAN TO CONTINUE THIS IMPROVEMENT?
17	A.	Yes. PWSA has adopted an "Organization and Compliance Plan" for the coming years
18		of PWSA operation. This Organization and Compliance Plan builds on the utility's
19		strength, articulates goals and sets forth concrete actions that will be taken to achieve
20		PWSA staff outside stakeholders and customers can measure its ultimate success. The
21		Organization and Compliance Plan is attached as Exhibit RAW-2 to this testimony.
22		It is important to recognize that this comprehensive plan will require the
23		cooperation and support of all stakeholders, including the PUC, the City, PWSA's Board
24		of Directors, our customers and the Pittsburgh business and industrial community. This
25		rate increase proposed, as well as subsequent requests that will be needed in future years
26		are key necessary components of achieving these goals.

## VI. CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENT PLAN

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Q. MR. WEIMAR, EARLIER IN YOUR TESTIMONY YOU INDICATED THAT A
LARGE PORTION OF THE PROPOSED RATE INCREASE WAS ASSOCIATED
WITH FINANCING PWSA'S "CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN" ("CIP").
WOULD YOU EXPLAIN THE NATURE OF THESE EXPENDITURES?

Yes. We have finalized 5, 10 and 25 year core infrastructure facility plans based upon available information. Planning projects related to water treatment, disinfection, clearwell storage, pump systems, and storage have been completed. Preliminary and final designs are now being prepared to initiate construction in 2019, 2020 and 2021. PWSA is projecting that it will expend some \$155 million in 2019 for capital improvements that are part of the CIP. The projects affect virtually every aspect of PWSA's services, covering water, sewer and stormwater management. A complete list of the projects, their budgeted cost, the amount projected to be expended in the FPFTY and the degree to which the project has been completed is shown on Exhibit RAW-3.

In 2019, PWSA's CIP will continue to address replacing and/or rehabilitating aging infrastructure throughout both the water and sewer systems, while meeting regulatory compliance mandates set forth by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

These efforts include work at the Aspinwall Water Treatment Plant where PWSA plans to upgrade its chemical processes, high and mid voltage electrical systems, clarification system, and significant modifications on the clearwell. Planned improvements in the water distribution system includes building resiliency through the construction of the Highland Pump Station and Rising Main, construction of a Redundant Lanpher Rising Main, and improvements at each of the reservoirs while continuing to replace small diameter water mains, valves, hydrants, and lead service lines. The sewer and storm

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PWSA plans to reduce the instances of combined sewer overflows to the waterways through the implementation of green infrastructure and storm projects throughout the City of Pittsburgh. As can be plainly seen, PWSA's CIP is comprehensive and extensive. But continued progress with this plan is essential if PWSA is going to achieve its goal of providing top quality, safe and reliable, water and wastewater conveyance service to the Citizens of Pittsburgh.

## VII. SCOPE OF THIS RATE FILING

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## 9 Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE TRANSITION FROM LOCAL RATE AND SERVICE REGULATION UNDER THE MUNICIPALITY AUTHORITIES ACT.

Oversight by the Commission, and satisfying the related State regulations, means more stringent standards on work done at PWSA, from the top to the bottom of the organization. The transition has required, and will require further tightening of our performance standards, establishing and measuring new performance metrics goals for each department, converting PWSA' financial and operating reports to Commission-compliant format, following a more active and comprehensive reporting regime, and improving PWSA overall financial standing to borrow and invest in PWSA's assets.

Section 3204 of the Public Utility Code establishes the regulatory timing of the initial PWSA tariff filing and compliance plan. This proceeding is related to the water tariff and the wastewater tariff, and is limited to the rates, rules and regulations governing service provided by PWSA. PWSA made the decision to focus in this proceeding on establishing its proposed rates as just and reasonable under PUC requirements, and present a new Water and (separately) Wastewater Conveyance Tariff that both sets forth the rates and charges for water and sewer service but also presents proposed rules and

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regulations for billing, collection and termination procedures, line extensions and the like.

PWSA witness Quigley will testify in more detail about PWSA's proposed new PUC tariffs.

Section 3204 obligates PWSA to submit a "Compliance Plan" with the Commission by September 28, 2018. Specifically, Section 3204(b) states that PWSA's compliance plan:

"... shall include provisions to bring [the Authority's] existing information technology, accounting, billing, collection and other operating systems and procedures into compliance with the requirements applicable to jurisdictional water and wastewater utilities under [the Public Utility Code] and applicable rules, regulations and orders of the Commission. The compliance plan shall also include a long-term infrastructure improvement plan in accordance with Subchapter B of Chapter 13 (relating to distribution systems)."

Accordingly, PWSA plans to file a comprehensive plan by the due date. The Plan will: (1) identify areas of Commission regulation with which PWSA is currently compliant; (2) identify areas in which PWSA is currently not in compliance; and 3) propose a plan to move the Authority to PUC compliance in each area (or, where appropriate, request waivers from PUC requirements). The Compliance Plan will also include a Long Term Infrastructure Improvement Plan. PWSA's present plan is to also address certain contracts and other issues that appears to be inconsistent with PUC policies, or the Public Utility Code or PUC regulations. This would include such items as: the PWSA/City Cooperation Agreement, services provided and payments made thereto; the provision of unmetered and/or unbilled water to the City; the billing arrangement with ALCOSAN; and the payments paid by PWSA to Pennsylvania American Water ("PAWC") to partially cover the charges for which certain PAWC

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 66 Pa.C.S. § 3204(b).

customers who are also Pittsburgh residents, are responsible. I am attaching to this testimony, as Exhibit RAW-4, an outline of PWSA's compliance filing as it stands now to provide transparency and clarity to the parties and the Commission. It is my hope that this bifurcation will make the existing Tariff case more manageable. To the extent that an issue in the Compliance Plan is resolved in a manner that requires a modification of PWSA's Tariff, PWSA would undertake that modification in its next base rate case, or at some other appropriate time.

## VIII. SUMMARY OF THIS RATE FILING

## 9 Q. PLEASE DISCUSS THE IMPACTS OF THE REQUESTED RATE RELIEF

A. PWSA is requesting an increase in the commodity/consumption/usage charge as well as the customer charge for most customer classes. Those rates are set forth in the testimony of Harold J. Smith (St. 5).

I would note that the average impacts for the proposed rates are as follows — if the Authority's entire request for an annual increase of \$27.0 million is approved:

The total water and wastewater conveyance bill for a residential customer using three thousand gallons would increase from \$63.62 to \$74.23 per month or by 16.7%. The breakdown by water and wastewater conveyance bill component is provided in the table below.

Residential Monthly Bill	FY 2018	FY 2019	% Increase
Water	\$ 42.07	\$ 49.84	18.5%
Wastewater Conveyance	21.55	24.39	<u>13.2%</u>
Total Monthly Bill	\$ 63.62	\$ 74.23	16.7%

The total bill for a commercial customer using 13 thousand gallons would increase from \$234.00 to \$283.15 per month or by 21.0%.

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Commercial Monthly	FY 2018	FY 2019	% Increase
Bill			
Water	\$ 148.02	\$ 187.12	26.4%
Wastewater Conveyance	<u>85.98</u>	96.03	11.7%
Total Monthly Bill	\$ 234.00	\$ 283.15	21.0%

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Rates for an industrial customer using 680 thousand gallons would increase from \$9,409.52 to \$12,064.95 per month or by 28.2%.

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Industrial Monthly Bill	FY 2018	FY 2019	% Increase
Water	\$ 5,505.62	\$ 7,267.15	32.0%
Wastewater Conveyance	3,903.90	4,797.80	<u>22.9%</u>
Total Monthly Bill	\$ 9,409.52	\$ 12,064.95	28.2%

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Rates for a health or education customer using 50 thousand gallons would increase from \$1,031.30 to \$1,131.80 per month or by 9.7%.

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## **Health or Education**

Monthly Bill	FY 2018	FY 2019	% Increase
Water	\$ 649.46	\$ 762.70	17.4%
Wastewater Conveyance	381.84	369.10	(3.3%)
Total Monthly Bill	\$ 1,031.30	\$ 1,131.80	9.7%

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#### IX. **SUMMARY OF WITNESSES**

#### PLEASE INDICATE WHO THE WITNESSES WILL BE FOR PWSA IN THIS 12 O. PROCEEDING AND THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE RATE FILING? 13

- 14 PWSA's direct testimony is Volume II of the Filing. The witnesses and a summary of A. 15 their testimony are as follows:
- Mr. Debbie M. Lestitian (PWSA Statement 2) is PWSA's Chief Corporate 16 Counsel and Chief of Administration. Ms. Lestitian provides documentation and supporting methodology for the schedules and exhibits that support PWSA's base

rate increase including financial schedules for the Fully Projected Future Test Year ("FPFTY"), 2019. She describes PWSA's financial results for the FPFTY at both present and proposed rates. She also details and provides supporting justification for PWSA's requested annual increase in existing base rate of \$27.0 million. Ms. Lestitian further describes and supports the process used to separate water and wastewater conveyance costs as well as to identify the portion of wastewater conveyance costs that currently are associated with stormwater management. Finally, she testifies to the proposed base rate increase by customer class.

- Ms. Katherine Clupper (PWSA Statement 3) is a Managing Director and Partner with PFM Financial Advisors LLC ("PFM"). She is an expert on financial markets and financial instruments whose firm is under contract to PWSA to provide financial consulting services. Ms. Clupper testifies to the importance of obtaining the rate increase being sought, in order to maintain PWSA's bond ratings, access to the municipal capital markets at reasonable pricing, and to ensure there are not unforeseen impacts to PWSA's capital structure.

  Specifically, her testimony focuses on the adverse financial consequences to PWSA, which could be considerable and broadly based, if the Company does not receive its requested rate increase. Ms. Clupper also discusses the results of a comparable utility (benchmarking) analysis.
- Ms. Julie Quigley (PWSA Statement 4) is Director of Administration for PWSA.
   Ms. Quigley describes PWSA's existing universal service programs.
   She also explains and provides support for the Company's proposed customer

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service rules, and sponsors PWSA's proposed water and its separate wastewater tariff.

Mr. Harold Smith (PWSA Statement 5) is the Vice President of Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. Mr. Smith presents the Company's class cost of service study ("CCOSS"), which is found in Volume III of the Filing. The primary purpose of the present CCOSS is to allocate the Company's costs of providing service to each rate class. The purpose of his testimony is to describe the principles, methodology, and data used in the CCOSS, which was utilized in order to move towards cost allocations and rate design that more closely reflect cost causation.

Mr. Smith also shows the monthly fixed customer cost per class, and supports the proposed increase in rates for each class. Mr. Smith also explains the calculation of the proposed minimum charges.

In addition to these statements, PWSA is submitting the information and data required by the PUC's filing requirements (Volume I) and its proposed Water Tariff No. 1 and its proposed Wastewater Tariff No. 1, (Volume IV) which sets forth all of the changes and rate increases proposed by PWSA as part of this case.

## 17 X. <u>CONCLUSION</u>

- 18 Q. DOES THAT COMPLETE YOUR DIRECT TESTIMONY?
- 19 A. Yes.

# Exhibit RAW-1



# 2017 and 2018 ACTIONS AND SUCCESSES

DEPARTMENT	2017 ACTION ACHIEVEMENT	STATUS for 2018
Communications	Developed new monthly report "Currents" for Board, PGH2O staff and External Stakeholders: Information on key staff successes, general outline of PGH₂O plans, and project summaries	Report accepted by the PGH2O staff
	The Communications team has transitioned from a reactive approach to one that focuses on proactive communications to provide factual information to media and our customers about our programs.	All local media outlets now seek PGH2O Senior Public Affairs Manager. Stories more accurate, and more balanced characterization of PGH2O
	Communications Program established for project outreach; Including Project Specific and general public outreach.	Standardized Process Achieving Public Support for both traditional and GI projects
	A 100+ Permit Compliance management and documentation system developed	Provided basis for determining poor permit compliance record. DEP has complimented in PGH2O compliance improvement.
Compliance	The Authority has cultivated a positive and transparent working relationship with our state and federal regulators, PGH2O is establishing compliance with all its program responsibilities, a situation that impacted many state and federal permits	2. DEP officials authorized a weekly meeting with Senior Staff to accelerate review and approval of PGH2O Projects and permits to achieve regulatory compliance.  Expect full compliance by year end 2018
	3. 308 Compliance Plan submitted to USEPA; including PGH2O "proposed assumption" of former City responsibilities as recommended by PADEP and USEPA	4. Documents under review at USEPA; Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Pittsburgh Departments to assign all stormwater management activities to PGH2O
	PGH2O awaiting USEPA actions to negotiate a Federal Consent Order with regards to CSO and Stormwater Compliance	PGH2O Constructed Projects show GI Stormwater approach supports regional CSO compliance needs

DEPARTMENT	2017 ACTION ACHIEVEMENT	STATUS for 2018
	Secured the first stage of a Customer Assistance Program by obtaining Board approval on October 26, 2017 of a Winter Moratorium for Low Income Residential Customers	Established Agreement with Dollar Energy Fund to vet eligible customers and to provide them with payment counseling; developed process to exclude Low Income Residential Customers from a winter shutoff from November 30th through April 1st
Customer Service	Secured Board approval November 8, 2017 for the second stage of a Customer Assistance Program which consists of a Bill Discount Program for Low Income Residential Customers.	Facilitated an Agreement with Dollar Energy Fund to vet eligible customers; developed reduced fixed base water and sewer rates in billing system for eligible customers
	Hired a Director of Administration to spearhead critical reforms in billing, customer service, and IT. Started October 15, 2017. Director of Administration has reorganized the Customer Services and developed new staff training, task management and mentoring plan	Review by PUC Management and Audit Teams in April 2018 indicated that PGH2O is "better than some utilities that have been under the PUC oversight for more than 10 years"
	Engaged "Dollar Energy" to implement programs	More than 4000 Customers have been signed up to these subsidies
	Established Lead Service Line Replacement Team To Coordinate Lead Service Line Replacements, including public and private side lines	Focused on informing customers of options and achieving agreements for private side service line replacements

DEPARTMENT	2017 ACTION ACHIEVEMENT	STATUS FOR 2018
Development Services Group	Established eBuilder pre-development application submission and documentation	eBuilder utilization of internal electronic form
	system capabilities in January 2017	completion by June 2018
	All plan submissions being submitted electronically through eBuilder in January 2017	Increased eBuilder utilization by
		development community in 2018
	Instituted policy on Structures Over Facilities in October 2017	Reduce likelihood of structures being built over PGH2O facilities
	Developed 60-day Permit Payment/Pick-up Policy in June 2017	Decreased time to collect permit fees
	Increased water and sewer tap-in fees fivefold to reflect actual costs	Fees in place and collected
Engineering	Department of Engineering made history this year by investing over \$50 million in a single year, up from about \$40 M in 2016. More than 30 projects were initiated in 2017 and will be completed over the next five years	Program Team has finalized core Program  Management Plan to guide every project implementation
	Engineering completed several emergency construction projects to help restore the drinking water system in 2017:  O PGH2O completed a \$2.5 million repair to the Lanpher Rising Main, the primary supply to northern neighborhoods of Pittsburgh O PGH2O contractors and staff successfully completed repairs to the Lanpher reservoir cover to return half of the reservoir to service	Follow up projects to restore facilities to full operational capability underway
	E-Builder Project Management System at full capability, robustness can accept proposed project load; Consultants, Contractors actively utilize	Key project controls, including document management now in-place
	PGH2O has digitized all lead line replacement records and has made this information available to the public in less than 6 months	Met PADEP consent order requirements
	Lead Loop Study to select Chemical Corrosion system has been completed and submitted to PADEP	Chemical treatment systems being implemented to reduce lead corrosion and comply with the Lead and Copper Rule
	Average number of days for vendor invoice approvals (via eBuilder) is 41 days	Continued reduction expected
	Average number of days Contractor payment application approvals (via eBuilder) is 38 days vs. 45 days under	Continued reduction expected
	Change order rate for 2017 is less than 1% which is below the 5% industry standard	Seeking to remain at under 2% aggregate Capital Project change orders

DEPARTMENT	2017 ACTION ACHIEVEMENT	STATUS FOR 2018
	PGH2O modernized our decades-old (40+ years) trust indenture and improved our credit profile, which was evidenced by issuing fixed-rate debt at 2.4% and variable-rate debt at 1.8% for 20+ year financings	National rating agencies maintaining bo rating
	The PGH2O Board recently approved a three-year rate plan. PGH2O's 2018 rates are well within the charges by other local utilities	Rate Plan approval provides financial resources for Strategic Plan Implementa
Finance	PGH2O closed on \$380+ million of bonds to reform the financial position of the authority, lowering debt costs by about \$1 million per year	PGH2O's Department of Finance refinar much of our older debt saving more tha million per year in interest payments. Be Oversubscribed during sale
	PGH2O established a Performance Management Office that is establishing performance metrics applicable to all aspects of the organization to measure and report publicly is performance in providing service to PGH2O stakeholders	Consultant team hired as initial perform team. Metrics selected and will be publi reported on Website by Late Summer 20
	Improved Financial controls and performance which resulted in improvement in audit performance. PGH2O went from 11 audit exceptions and adjustments in 2015 to zero in 2017	Financial controls are currently manually applied. System evaluations are underwautomate most of these activities
Laboratory	PGH2O contracted CWM Laboratory staff to manage and recertify PGH2O's lab to restore our focus on water quality and regulatory compliance. CWM is awaiting State Certification for PGH2O to perform several water quality tests in-house (Lead and Microbiology), improving turnaround time and reducing costs	Daily report accuracy has improved. Ext EPA and DEP reporting requirements be met. Implementing Automated Lab Data Management System
	Successfully Negotiated Lead Compliance Order with PADEP	Authorizing construction contracts to m compliance requirements
Legal	Successfully Negotiated Union Contracts which expire again in 2020	Seeking support from Unions to implem Performance Metrics to address PUC requirements
	Successfully closed out numerous residual Legal claims at a fraction of original program.	New Chief Counsel has successfully ado negotiations strategy for claims.

DEPARTMENT	2017 ACTION ACHIEVEMENT	STATUS FOR 2018
	PGH2O successfully piloted new methods to replace lead/water service lines to prepare for a more robust replacement program in 2018. Multiple staff trained to implement pipe bursting method for water service line replacement	Reducing costs and increasing daily replacement rates for PGH2O teams. 80% of lead service line replacements are being installed by non-destructive.
Field Operations	Meter Replacement Program Restarted. Teams scouting replacement sites	2018 Budget allows for both unmetered and old meter replacement.
	Developed and Refined Action Plans for No Water Conditions, or Boil Water Advisories, including emergency communication process. Developed additional coordination strategies with Pittsburgh Emergency Operations Center.	Production, Field Operations, Engineering and Executive staff cross-communication ha improved markedly. Participated in Public Safety Trial Events to hone implementation.
	Established Categories of Staff Exempt from Pittsburgh Only Domicile requirement. Which has substantially improved the quality and number of candidates for open positions in engineering, operations, IT and Customer Services	PGH2O has hired a number of former consultants in engineering and water treatment operations into key positions based upon exemption from Domicile Limitation.
Human Resources	In reaction to the attrition and retirements that have reduced our workforce to minimum levels, PGH2O has made an all-out effort to recruit and retain our staff, seeing a dramatic increase in candidates applying for advertised positions. Human Resources added over 50 new employees to our ranks in 2017	Reallocation of Senior Staff to HR has increased recruiting success.
	Established Categories of Staff Exempt from Pittsburgh Only Domicile requirement. Which has substantially improved the quality and number of candidates for open positions in engineering, operations, IT and Customer Services	PGH2O has hired more than 5 of former consultants to PGH2O in engineering, field operations, and water treatment operation into key positions based upon exemption from Domicile Limitation.
IT	Engaged Pittsburgh Specialist Consultant to Select Enterprise Resource Planning System for all PGH2O Hardware and software infrastructure. Once Core system selected. All Software Programs will be purchased to integrate with it, and between each other	Core ERP Recommendation proposes the Sets Framework for all IT software implementation

	Acquired and Implemented New Hardware and Software systems to replace 7 year old system, which had no data backup	System has new security software, and redundancy not previously implemented at PGH2O		
DEPARTMENT	2017 ACTION ACHIEVEMENT	STATUS FOR 2018		
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Operations sustained Water Supply and Facilities During Multiple Outages, including prolonged Microfiltration Plant Operation	Operations staff improving process		
Production	Finalized \$28 M Water Treatment Plant Filter Rehabilitation Project Implementation	Developed new operations methods with PADEP and USEPA assistance to improve water quality to customers		
	Improved existing water quality (WQ) monitoring system to meet EPA/DEP Compliance Requirements	Monitoring data allowing comprehensive assessment of water treatment and distribution WQ improvement options.  Consultant recommendations due by July 1 2018		
	Modernized PGH2O Contract Documents for Construction and Consultant	Adopted National Standards to attract		
Procurement	Engagement. Agreements integrated to minimize conflicts	national firms for future work with PGH2C		
	Established 10 Consultant Firm "On Call" Team to Improve Project Execution	Includes both local and international firms		
Safety	Implemented Root Cause Analysis Program to Review Each Accident	Continuous training is essential and will be pursued		
Strategic	PGH2O has developed a strategic plan with associated performance metrics to address the system's aging infrastructure. This plan has been adopted by the Board, presented to the public and the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel. A consultant was	Performance Metric process is expected to be in place by April 1		
	engaged to support this program and began work on January 2, 2018			

DEPARTMENT	2017 ACTION ACHIEVEMENT	STATUS FOR 2018
	Business Plan to Develop and Implement Stormwater fee was approved by Board	Seeking final approval of fee schedule
	Developed core Plan to assume City Stormwater compliance responsibilities	To be included with new cooperation agreement
	Completed Phase II of City-wide assessment	Release for public comment
Stormwater	Hired additional staff to Stormwater division	Continue to acquire experienced staff prior 2019 launch
	Invested in \$10 million in Green Infrastructure (GI) projects in 2017	Additional anticipated spend of \$14 million on reduction projects in 2018; budgets/timelines updated to meet conserdecree with EPA
	Solidifying new design specifications and details for green stormwater infrastructure projects	Seek acceptance from Art Commission, DP and DOMI
	Board Approved 2019 to 2023 Capital Improvement Plan, which establishes a \$1 Billion + Plan for implementation over the next 5 years	Annual Budgets/Project Timelines updated reflect consent order requirements
Capital Program	Capital Improvement Program Process Developed to incorporate System Condition Assessments. Process encoded in computerized Process for documentation purposes	Key Condition Assessment Activities are incorporated into the 2018 budget

DEPARTMENT	2018 ACTION ACHIEVEMENT	CURRENT STATUS
	Expanded audience for Web, Email and Social Media	
	Community Meetings Outreach Presentations For Established Neighborhood Groups	One Per Week
Communications	Issuing RFP for New Enhanced Web Page	July Issuance
	Establish Position of Development and Business Relations Manager to Position PWSA	Hiring underway. Started Relationship
	as a Partner to the City's Development and Business Community	building with BOMA
	Established Position for Construction Outreach Coordinator to enable close working	Hiring underway. Staff executing Smallma
	relationships with Customers Impacted by our Capital Projects	Project with Weekly Coordination Meetin
	Expanded Senior Staff to include Regulatory Specialist with Local and National	Hired May 2018
	Experience in Water, Wastewater Compliance	711104 1714 7 2010
	Disinfection Rule Compliance Program Implementation (One year prior to	Actively modifying system operations to
	compliance date	meet these requirements
	New Distribution System Flushing Program to enable chemical treatment including	Program requires improved compliance
Compliance	Orthophosphate	DEP discharge requirements
·	Renewal of MS4 Permit Requires Takeover of City DPW Neglect of Assets	Consultant Engaged and developing
		required Compliance Facility Location an
		Water Quality Information by August 1
	Process Control Committee Comprised of Lab Manager, Operations Manager,	Daily process decisions require agreemen
	Facilities Manager, Water Quality Manager	between these key managers, and include
		any chemical or operations changes
	Customer Metering Interface System allowing customer access to real time Meter	December 2018 Rollout
	readings, and alerts regarding excess usage can be set up to offer instant notification of Excess Usage	
	Unified Communication System to improve phone communication data access and expedite communication through PGH2O	August 2018 Rollout
	Implementing Mobilwork to Facilitate Paperless process for service orders and	Pilot planned for July 2018
	records management. Improving communications between customers, PGH2O	
Customer Service	departments and the City Coordination	
	Development group now headed by technical services director to facilitate	Additional expertise in management of
	coordination with operations and engineering	stormwater

DEPARTMENT	2018 ACTION ACHIEVEMENT	CURRENT STATUS	
Development Services Group	Commercial and Business Community Coordinator Hired Into Public Affairs Group	Increasing outreach to construction community as well	
	Saw Mill Run Integrated Management Plan for Regulator and Public Comment. Plan provides alternative to tunnels and treatment to address CSO and Flooding, as well as the Total Maximum Daily Load requirements.	Submitted By December 2018	
Engineering	Started Capital Project Delivery for Four Mile Run and Woods Run Stream removal projects. Working Collaboratively with City, PPC, and City Parks Department. Both projects will have a major impact on CSO removal, flooding and basement backups. Total costs more than \$50 Million	Designs underway, Projects will begin construction in 2019. Completion by 2021 t 2022	
	PGH2O Green Infrastructure Grants Program has supported 12 projects that have been completed by this year	At present, no additional grant funds have been allocated by the PGH2O Board to this program	
	Two GI Projects to complete this construction season at Maryland Avenue, Melwood Ave /Finland Ave and Hillcrest Neighborhood. These projects will manage stormwater runoff from	These projects are located in a priority watershed to abate CSO	
	Digitizing Lead Service Line Records including online public access system	Expect Completion By July 31	
	Stormwater Memorandum of Understanding Has been Drafted for Technical Review.  Ongoing negotiations to finalize PGH2O and City Roles and Responsibilities	Expect Completion by September 1 <sup>st</sup> .	
	Negley Run/Washington Blvd GI project underway with City and USCOE to restore Negley Run Stream to the Allegheny River.	Design Complete and Project Construction Expected by 2019.	
	Preparing First Tariff Submittal To PUC including requisite professional testimony on the Basis of all rates and fees	Tariff due July 2.	
Finance	Compliance Plan Required By PUC September 28 2018 to outline PGH2O's actions to fully comply with PUC Standards, including performance Metrics	Consultant engaged and Actively working with Staff to Complete Submittal	
	Interim Finance Director hired from Consultant to seamlessly maintain PGH2O stable financial Position. Actively hiring Comptroller and Treasurer.	Existing Bond Holders and Rating Agencies fully satisfied with action	
	Completed Tariff Proposal for Submittal on July 2, 2018	Tariff request is less than prior Board action for years 2019 and 2020	

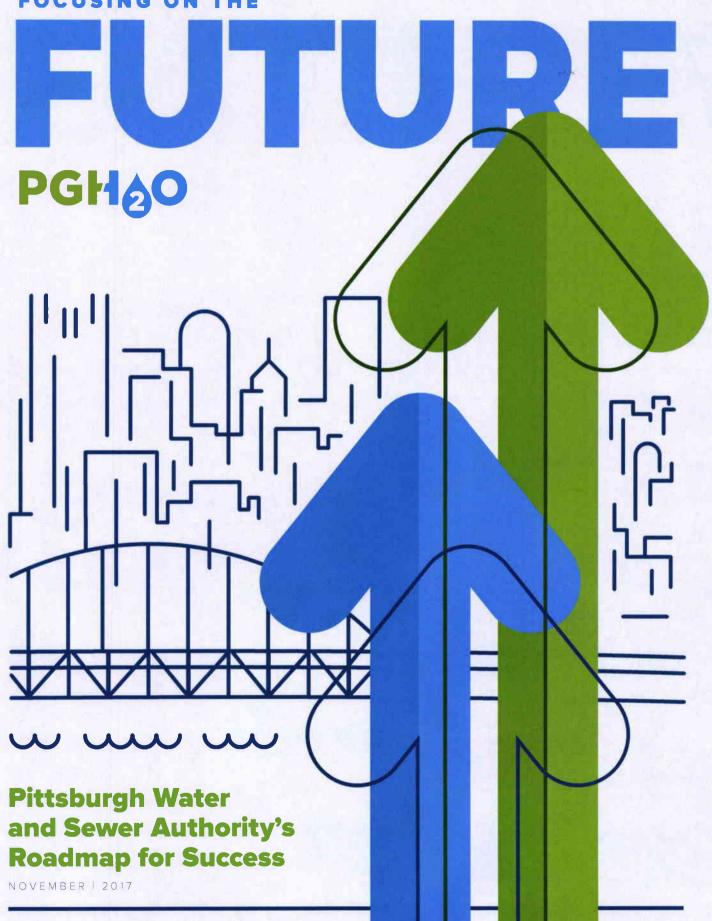
Purchased and installed GCMS	Restoring certification of primary water
	quality testing required for compliance
Laboratory certification renewed for all chemical and biological tests expected by June	Establishing routine operational sampling to verify compliance
Engaged New PUC Legal Counsel	Engaged in detail strategy and implementation of PUC Submittals
Created Chief Counsel Position	Seeking internal resources to mitigate consultant solicitor cost.
New Management Organization to step up compliance	Production and Field Ops Now Under One Management Structure to optimize synergies between staff
Increasing role of Crews in service line replacement	First phase Lead Service lines completed at 1341 in accordance with PADEP Consent Order
Metering program under development, key staff hired. Expect proactive meter replacement program underway in July	Upgrading meter test bench, and conductin key industrial meter replacements.
Hired 10 interns to facilitate MS4 Mapping project using new Tablet Style data entry system with real time viewing by Management Team.	Expect completion of more than 100 sites in less than One Month.
Establishing Watermark Program (PGH2O University) to provide training and advancement opportunities to Operations Staff	Expect Rollout Late Summer 2018
Key hires in Operation, Engineering and Finance due to Domicile Waiver	Management Team Has Been Increased by 10 key experienced managers.
	Engaged New PUC Legal Counsel  Created Chief Counsel Position  New Management Organization to step up compliance  Increasing role of Crews in service line replacement  Metering program under development, key staff hired. Expect proactive meter replacement program underway in July  Hired 10 interns to facilitate MS4 Mapping project using new Tablet Style data entry system with real time viewing by Management Team.  Establishing Watermark Program (PGH2O University) to provide training and advancement opportunities to Operations Staff

DEPARTMENT	2018 ACTION ACHIEVEMENT	CURRENT STATUS
IT/MIS	Updated Cogsdale Software for Customer Service and Billing Functions	Changes have reduced billing and collection processing times and call center resolution times
	Implementing Secondary Data Center to Provide Resiliency Against Equipment Failure or Cyber security issues	Service in place December 2018
Production	Improvement to Staff Organization has increased staff performance and accountability	Expect Continuous Improvement
	Major System Maintenance Activities Underway to improve treatment system performance	Major Equipment upgrades will be completed by 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2018
Procurement	Implementing eBuilder automated Procurement System, including MWBE compliance reporting	Improve outreach and coordination of Bid Documents and Bid Review and Approval
	Finalizing Procurement Standards of Practice for Board Approval	Prior interim standards are being updated to ensure compliance with current Municipal Authority Act statutes.
Safety	Added New Safety and Security Position Reporting to Executive Director	Seeking qualified Candidates.
	Updating Emergency Management Plan based upon recent trials	Revisions Complete by December 2018
Strategic	Finalizing Metrics for each department to be used to demonstrate overall improvement against National Metrics. Implementing Metrics in all Departments to incentivize staff and management to achieve	Public access to monthly performance metrics information updates expected late Summer 2018
	Stormwater Program Under Development for Compliance Submittal	Plan due to PUC by September 28 <sup>th</sup> .
Stormwater	MS4 Compliance Plan prepared and being implemented for submittal to USEPA  Negotiating Memorandum of Understanding with City RE Stormwater	Plan never filed with USEPA in 2004 PWSA establishing basis of responsibilities

DEPARTMENT	2018 ACTION ACHIEVEMENT	CURRENT STATUS	
Capital Program	Revised Capital Plan Approved BY Board At April 2018 Board Meeting	Project Assignments Awarded to Consultants for Implementation over next 5 years.	
	Replaced 1200 Lead Service Lines including 300 Private Side lines by Mid June, ontrack to comply with DEP Consent Order to complete 2682 by year end	Largest Single Project by PWSA ever at \$44 Million	
	MFP Upgrade for Ultraviolet Disinfection Underway	Restoring key water distribution system	
	Orthophosphate system now being implemented to provide corrosion control.	State approval granted, construction underway	

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#### Message from the Executive Director:

The people of Pittsburgh have enjoyed access to public water service for more than 200 years. Today, that service is provided by the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority (PWSA), which exists to support the community's vitality by protecting public health and the environment through safe, reliable, and cost-effective delivery of water, wastewater conveyance, and stormwater services.

PWSA's challenges are well defined; but they are neither unique, nor insurmountable. Extended periods of underinvestment and organizational instability have led to infrastructure failures, regulatory lapses, and organizational turnover. These are common challenges that most urban water systems in the northeast face. Through a combination of new and existing initiatives, talented leadership, and a supportive Board of Directors. PWSA is committed to improving its operations and addressing these challenges.

PWSA has a solid foundation to build upon - an ample water supply from the Allegany River, adequate delivery capacity throughout its distribution system, and a stable customer base. This Organizational and Compliance Plan builds on the utility's strength. It articulates PWSA's goals, the concrete actions that will be taken to achieve those goals, and the measures by which PWSA staff. outside stakeholders, and customers can measure its ultimate success.

With this plan – and hard work – we will be successful. We will continue working, every day, to deliver safe, reliable, and cost-effective drinking water, wastewater conveyance, and stormwater services. We will continue working, every day, to protect public health and the environment. And we will continue working, every day, to be a highly responsive and trusted public utility, recognized for excellence and valued by our community.

Pittsburgh deserves no less.

Robert Weimar, P.E.
Interim Executive Director
Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority

# WHAT IS OUR FUTURE?

PWSA is a highly responsive and trusted public utility, recognized for excellence and valued by our community.

# WHAT DO WE DO?

PWSA supports
community vitality
by protecting public
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cost-effective delivery
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wastewater and
stormwater services.

### **OUR GOALS**



## **Protect Public Health and the Environment**

To protect and support the longterm health of our community and environment



# Ensure Customer and Stakeholder Satisfaction

To enhance customer and stakeholder confidence by communicating effectively and engaging our community



## Improve Infrastructure Reliability

To ensure service reliability through responsible infrastructure investment and proactive maintenance



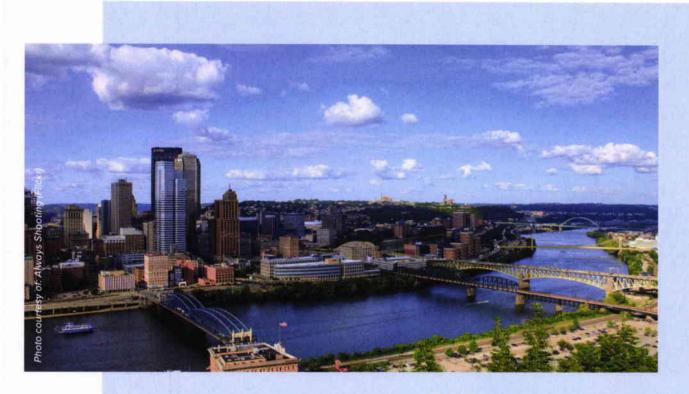
# Maintain a High-Performing Workforce

To recruit, develop, and retain a motivated and well-qualified team



## Be an Efficient and Effective Organization

To optimize the use of our resources through innovative technology, effective processes, and continuous improvement



There are several trends that water-sector utilities must contend with and respond to including increased utility financial constraints, regulations, workforce issues, and customer expectations. PWSA are each of these and each trend challenges PWSAs ability to maintain the traditional utility approach out of sight, out of mind.

#### This Organizational and Compliance Plan addresses these trends.

#### TREND 1:

### CUSTOMER EXPECTATIONS

Changing requirements for service delivery are being driven by a new generation of customers who expect more rapid, and easy access to information. The customers of the future are driving the investments of today.

PWSA must respond by providing updated customer billing and information management systems that meet the expectations of a changing customer base.

#### TREND 2:

#### **FINANCIAL CONSTRAINTS**

With capital and operating budgets rising, and stakeholder groups who are increasingly resistant to rate increases, utilities struggle to make necessary investments.

PWSA carries a significant debt load of more than \$840 million, and additional capital investment is needed. Rates are expected to rise over the next several years as we replace in our aging infrastructure and strengthen our delivery of services.

#### TREND 3:

#### **REGULATIONS**

Across the board, regulations are becoming more stringent, which requires greater investment of an organization's scarce resources. Compliance with environmental regulations tends to be especially challenging (and costly).

In 2008, the Pittsburgh region entered a Consent Decree with the US Environmental Protection Agency to reduce and eliminate sewage contamination in local streams and rivers. The Consent Decree requires all 83 communities within the regional service area to repair broken sew-

er lines, reduce storm water entering the system, reduce the frequency and amount of combined sewer overflows, and eliminate sanitary sewer overflows.

#### TREND 4:

#### **WORKFORCE ISSUES**

Water-sector utilities struggle to recruit and retain staff with the necessary skills and competencies to manage utility operations. Typically, utilities have aging workforces, which make knowledge retention and succession planning significant challenges.

PWSA has experienced frequent leadership turnover in the last several years, and operates in a union environment, which can limit workforce flexibility. Compensation is limited, and often not competitive as compared to the private sector. Additionally, the utility's financial constraints have curtailed some employee development and training opportunities.





# PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT

#### To protect and support the longterm health of our community and environment

The primary mission of any water and wastewater utility is to protect public health and the environment. Drinking water must meet all regulatory water quality requirements when it leaves PWSA treatment facilities and when it is used at a customer's tap. PWSA must ensure that wastewater is collected from customers without backups or spills, and conveyed through the wastewater collection system to the regional ALCOSAN treatment facility. The conveyance process must be secure, and occur without sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) that could damage the environment. Treatment then renders the wastewater safe, before it is discharged back to the environment.

#### EOCIS AREA 1

#### **DELIVER HIGH QUALITY DRINKING WATER**

Our goal is to continuously meet or exceed customer and regulatory standards for the water that we provide. To do that, PWSA will pursue the following strategies:

- · Perform regular tests at certified laboratories to ensure high water quality and service levels
- · Report water quality results to customers in an annual Consumer Confidence Report
- Continue to actively manage and replace lead service lines

Ensuring success in this area will require PWSA to effectively manage its distribution system, including increasing the number of water quality monitoring points; regularly flushing the system; incorporating best-in-class technology and enhanced modeling capabilities; and improving its cross-connection control program to meet industry best practices.

# MEASURE OF SUCCESS Compliance with regulatory water quality standards → 365 days of full water quality compliance Implement cross-connection control → 100% of service connections rated for potential threat level and catalogued All backflow devices tested at regular intervals Compliance with lead standards → Lead levels; in compliance with EPA standards Achieve water pressure standards → Meet target maximum and minimum pressure in water mains; minimum fire flow at hydrants

#### Service Line Inspections (for Lead lines)



#### **FOCUS AREA 2:**

#### SAFELY AND EFFECTIVELY CONVEY WASTEWATER AND STORMWATER

Our goal is to continuously meet or exceed customer and regulatory standards as we convey wastewater and stormwater to the ALCOSAN treatment facility. PWSA is committed to:

- Maintaining wastewater system cleaning, root removal, and maintenance activity to prevent back-ups
- · Routinely inspecting manholes
- · Monitoring and reporting on all combined and sanitary sewer overflows
- · Regularly performing condition assessments on all gravity pipe segments

PWSA's continued success in this area will also require implementing a risk-based wastewater system renewal program; incorporating similar best-in-class technology and modeling capability to what is required for the water system; and adopting a lateral inspection and renewal program.

# MEASURE OF SUCCESS Compliance with regulatory wastewater and stormwater quality standards → 365 days of full compliance Eliminate sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) → Zero SSOs per year Compliance with combined sewer overflow (CSO) requirements → Reduced number and volume of CSOs Minimize back-ups and failures → Fewer than one unplanned failure per 5,000 accounts (AWWA benchmark) Clean and inspect wastewater mains and manholes → 10% of system annually



### To recruit, develop, and retain a motivated and well-qualified team

Attracting, training, and developing the next generation of utility staff is quickly becoming a significant focus area for every major water utility. A high-performing organization needs to address capturing and transferring institutional knowledge, succession planning, career development and personal growth opportunities for its workforce. Training and incentives that enhance and recognize employee efforts provide the means to establish higher standards to meet the needs of modern utility operations. PWSA's shift to a learning-based culture will help attract and support a high-performing workforce.

#### **FOCUS AREA 1**:

#### **INCREASE HIRING EFFECTIVENESS**

Developing a strong workforce relies on identifying and hiring qualified applicants. To that end, PWSA is committed to:

- Implementing a new Human Resources Information System (HRIS)
- Reviewing and improving job postings and position descriptions
- Optimizing and streamlining the hiring process and timeline
- · Reviewing employee total compensation packages

Additionally, PWSA will look to extend outreach to industry publications, community partnerships, and other venues to reach prospective talent; as well as evaluating the possibility of eliminating the City's domicile employment requirements that hinder finding and retaining good people.

# MEASURE OF SUCCESS TARGET PERFORMANCE Hiring Response Time → Average time to fill existing positions is less than three months from the date of the vacancy Position Vacancy Rate → Average vacancy rate is less than 3%



#### FOCUS AREA 2:

#### **ENHANCE WORKFORCE ENGAGEMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

Increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of our organization requires engaged, developed, and high-performing PWSA employees. Creating this workforce will require PWSA to:

- Work cooperatively with unions to find and act on opportunities to increase workforce performance and effectiveness
- · Complete a training program roadmap and inventory of the training requirements for all positions at PWSA
- · Dedicate additional resources to training and development; as well as health, safety, and risk management
- · Establish and track productivity goals for work groups, where applicable

Additionally, PWSA will develop a program to recognize high-performing employees and will support employee involvement in industry groups and events.

# MEASURE OF SUCCESS Training hours per year → Twenty hours per employee per year Safety Compliance → Maintain a workers' compensation experience modification rate of less than 1.0 OSHA Compliance → Meet OSHA requirements Conduct a staff engagement survey every three years → Increased engagement levels



To enhance customer and stakeholder confidence by communicating effectively and engaging our community

PWSA is committed to maintaining an elevated level of quality, performance, and value. While the utility has recently experienced infrastructure failures, billing issues, and negative media reports, PWSA is actively working to regain community confidence. Recognizing that the utility must earn customer's support and trust, PWSA has already begun to engage the community and communicate many of the positive changes that are being made to enhance service.

#### **FOCUS AREA 1:**

#### **RESPOND TO CUSTOMERS AND STAKEHOLDERS IN A TIMELY MANNER**

Being responsive to customers is paramount to earning their trust and recognition of PWSA as a valuable community resource. To do that, PWSA will:

- Develop Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and standard scripts for effectively managing common types of customer contacts
- Provide customer service staff with additional training and call monitoring
- Increase call center resources to meet call volumes and achieve target performance goals

#### **MEASURE OF SUCCESS** TARGET PERFORMANCE Less than 5% of calls abandoned Average answer speed of less than three minutes Reduce call abandonment Less than 3% of calls abandoned Minimize customer complaints Less than 5.9 complaints per 1,000 accounts annually

#### **FOCUS AREA 2:**

#### **REGULARLY PROVIDE CLEAR AND EFFECTIVE INFORMATION**

Customer and stakeholder support and trust begin with understanding, and that begins with the information that PWSA shares. PWSA is committed to:

- · Developing a communications plan, to include social media and web-based strategies
- Increasing transparency and developing educational materials
- Providing regular progress reports to key PWSA stakeholders

MEASURE OF SUCCESS		TARGET PERFORMANCE
Conduct an annual customer and stakeholder satisfaction survey	$\longrightarrow$	Increased satisfaction rates
Increase social media interaction	$\longrightarrow$	Increased platforms, followers, and engagement

#### **FOCUS AREA 3:**

### UTILIZE ADVANCED METER INFRASTRUCTURE (AMI) TO GENERATE ACCURATE CUSTOMER BILLS

Ensuring customer satisfaction, as well as utility revenue sufficiency, relies on PWSA's ability to accurately read meters and generate the corresponding bills. This requires PWSA to:

- · Meter all users, including public and commercial users
- Verify AMI and CIS communications to ensure accurate data transfers
- Adopt industry best practices for billing quality control and assurance
- Adopt AWWA Water Loss Management Practices

Additionally, PWSA will maintain a robust meter monitoring, testing, and replacement program; ensure all meters are connected to the AMI system; conduct leak detection analysis; and alter the printed bill layout to ensure that it is easily understandable.

MEASURE OF SUCCESS		TARGET PERFORMANCE
Percent of accounts metered within 18 months	$\longrightarrow$	100% of active, permanent accounts metered
Equip all meters with AMI technology	$\longrightarrow$	98% of active, permanent meters have AMI technology
Ensure accurate meters	$\longrightarrow$	95% of residential and 98% of commercial meters meet minimum acceptable accuracy levels (any over-billed accounts are adjusted promptly)
Provide timely and accurate bills to customers	$\longrightarrow$	99,9% of bills are sent on time with no errors in charges/fees
Minimize non-revenue water	$\longrightarrow$	Reduce non-revenue water to less than 20% of treated volume



# To ensure service reliability through responsible infrastructure investment and proactive maintenance

PWSA operates and maintains over 2,000 miles of water and sewer pipe, two water treatment plants, and numerous water storage reservoirs, pumps stations, manholes, and fire hydrants. Unfortunately, most assets are underground and hidden from view, so problems with these important networks often goes unnoticed until failures occur. This has led to decades of underinvestment. PWSA is dedicated to investing the necessary resources to elevate the condition of its infrastructure and minimize system failures.

#### FOCUS AREA 1:

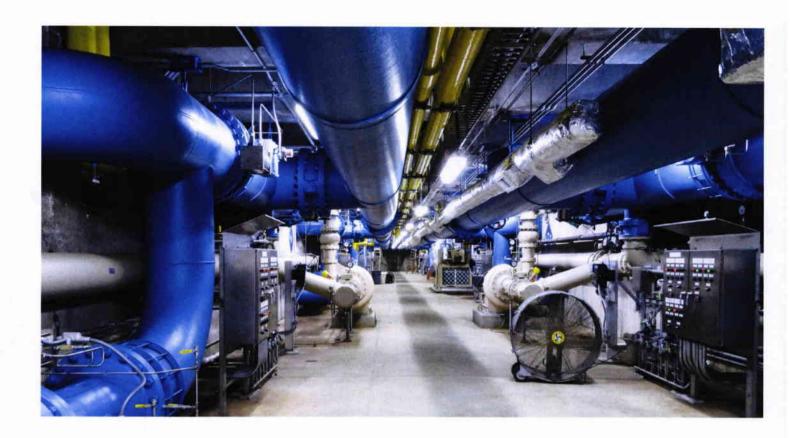
#### IMPLEMENT ENHANCED MAINTENANCE PRACTICES

Enhanced maintenance practices allow PWSA to extend the useful life of its assets and reduce costs over time. Doing so requires PWSA to:

- · Inspect and rate the condition of gravity pipe segments on a regular schedule
- · Add additional crews to implement and maintain a 2-year cycle of valve and hydrant exer-cising
- Increase field crew productivity

PWSA will need to focus on increasing the ratio of proactive to reactive maintenance; shift to replacing infrastructure based on risk and performance, rather than years in service; and fully integrate capital project and maintenance management technology systems.

# MEASURE OF SUCCESS Increase the number of proactive work orders → 80% of work orders are proactive Perform manhole inspections → 20% of manholes are inspected annually Conduct condition assessment of wastewater mains using CCTV → 15% of the wastewater collection system to be assessed annually



#### FOCUS AREA 2:

#### **RENEW AGING/FAILING INFRASTRUCTURE**

PWSA's success in achieving its mission and accomplishing its goals relies heavily on the condition and sufficiency of its infrastructure. Continuing to focus on developing and maintaining that infrastructure to meet customer needs now and into the future will occur by:

- Implementing and staffing the internal Project Management capability necessary to oversee and manage capital projects
- · Ensuring sufficient resources to align capital renewal with the desired service levels

Renewing aging/failing infrastructure will require development of installation and repair SOPs; implementing a risk-based renewal system; adopting a lateral inspection and renewal plan; and initiating the water loss programs discussed in the previous section.

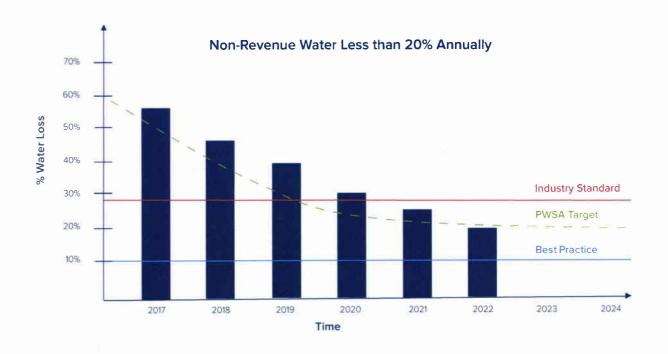
# MEASURE OF SUCCESS Replace/rehabilitate buried assets at an accelerated rate Renew at least 2% of buried assets per year Reduce water main breaks → Achieve a failure rate of less than 50 breaks per 100 miles of water main annually Ensure the financial resources are available to implement the capital plan → Acceptance and approval of user charges to fully fund CIP



BE AN EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE ORGANIZATION

# To optimize the use of our resources through innovative technology, effective processes, and continuous improvement

The people of Pittsburgh expect PWSA to provide excellent value, spending the public's money and using its resources as efficiently and effectively as possible to ensure the delivery of high quality services. To meet these expectations, PWSA will increase its productivity and streamline its systems and processes. Ultimately, PWSA is focused on instituting better practices, implementing modern technologies, and using data to drive improvements to organizational performance. These changes will allow us to continue to provide the high-quality and timely services our customers deserve.





#### **FOCUS AREA 1:**

#### **IMPLEMENT ENHANCED WORK PRACTICES AND STANDARDS**

Increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of our organization starts with instilling a culture of continuous improvement in PWSA employees. This will allow us to look critically at our existing operations, use data to identify key areas for improvement, implement change, and measure success. Specifically, PWSA will:

- Establish a Performance Improvement group to help instill and grow a culture of continuous improvement
- Adopt technologies and reporting processes to seamlessly communicate progress in key performance areas
- Use a combination of internal and external resources to address critical staffing needs

Particular areas of opportunity include centralizing the field work yards and the warehouse; optimizing the use of fleet and vehicle assets; and implementing an operations technical support function to focus on treatment optimization and process control.

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#### **FOCUS AREA 2**

#### **INVEST IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS AND RESOURCES**

Our goal is to enhance our organization's performance through the implementation of modern technology, which will support the work practices and standards described in Focus Area 1. To achieve this goal, PWSA will:

- Implement robust IT systems that allow for increased levels of service and the elimination of paper-based recordkeeping. These systems include a computerized maintenance manage-ment system (CMMS), a Human Resources Information System (HRIS), and an updated Customer Information System (CIS).
- · Increase IT resources to support security, programming, database administration, and desk-top support

Additionally, PWSA is focused on increasing its use of business analytics, GIS integration, and use of an electronic document management system.

MEASURE OF SUCCESS		TARGET PERFORMANCE
Procure and begin CMMS Implementation	$\longrightarrow$	6 months to procure and 1 year to fully implement
Procure and begin CIS Implementation	$\longrightarrow$	8 months to procure and 2 years to fully implement
Procure and begin HRIS Implementation	$\longrightarrow$	8 months to procure and 1 year to fully implement

#### **FOCUS AREA 3**:

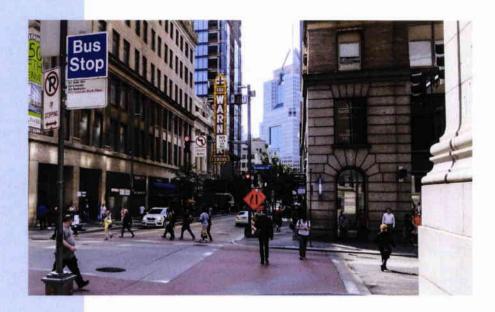
#### **MAINTAIN FINANCIAL INTEGRITY**

Our goal is to consistently meet or exceed targeted financial metrics while delivering clean, safe, and reliable service to customers at rates they can afford. To do that, PWSA will:

- Establish and maintain revenue sufficiency to meet increasing levels of operating and capital costs
- Implement cost-justified rates that are consistent with industry best practices
- · Report the results of operations annually in a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report
- Implement an affordability program to provide customer assistance

Ensuring success in the financial focus area will require PWSA to establish financial metrics that can be continuously monitored; implement proactive and cost-justified rate increases; enhance the billing process to reduce billing errors; develop an affordability program; and assess the program's impact on system revenues.

MEASURE OF SUCCESS		TARGET PERFORMANCE
Fully fund operating and capital costs	$\longrightarrow$	Set water and sewer rates at a level that allows for full funding of utility operating and capital costs
Improve PWSA's bond rating	$\longrightarrow$	Increase debt service coverage above the covenant-required 1.25% and increase liquidity through annual reserve contributions
Maintain equitable and cost-justified rates	$\longrightarrow$	Implement equitable and defensible water and sewer rates
Maintain a clean or unmodified opinion annually from PWSA external auditors	$\longrightarrow$	Adhere to GASB and Pennsylvania PUC-endorsed accounting practices



## COMMUNICATIONS

Through this Organizational and Compliance Plan, PWSA has committed to improving internal and external communications. Effective communication is critical not only for the successful implementation of the plan, but also for the overall success of PWSA. The issue of communication cuts across the various goals and initiatives discussed herein.

While most specifically called out in the Ensure Customer and Stakeholder Satisfaction goal area, PWSA has committed to significantly increasing communications in many areas, through:

- Reporting water quality information to regulatory agencies and the public
- Communication of progress against metrics in key performance areas, both internally and externally
- Production of a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report
- Increased social media and web-based customer and stakeholder interaction
- Creation of community outreach and education materials
- · Conducting an annual customer satisfaction survey
- Communication of OSHA and other safety compliance information
- Conducting an employee satisfaction survey every three years

Overall, enhanced communications will be a major initiative at all levels of PWSA to assure employee commitment and to facilitate various teams and individuals working toward the same vision and mission, regardless of which goals or initiatives are their primary focus.



Making progress on the initiatives contained within this plan, continuing to staff key positions with qualified employees, moving toward revenue sufficiency, and reorganizing to support continuous improvement will allow PWSA to achieve its ultimate goal of:

Supporting community vitality by protecting public health and the environment through safe, reliable and costeffective delivery of drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater services.

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## Exhibit RAW-3

Project Name	Project Descriptions	Budgeted Cost	Amount Expended to Date <sup>1</sup>	Start Date	Date of Completion & In Service	Percent Project Currently Complete
Utility Cost Shares	Infrastructure replacement due to coordination with other agencies or utilities.  Coordination with other utililties can reduce expenditures up to 75% of the total project cost and reduces the length of time that the public is inconvenienced due to construction efforts.	AFUDC: \$3,000,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	N/A	N/A	0%
Baum and Bigelow	Utility cost share agreement with PENNDOT for infrastructure replacement during roadway reconstruction. Construction is complete; awaiting invoice from PENNDOT.	AFUDC: \$28,500 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$12,649 N-AFUDC: \$0	Unknown	December 2006	99%
Mifflin Road Culverts	Utility cost share agreement with PENNDOT for sanitary sewer infrastructure replacement during roadway reconstruction. Construction is complete; awaiting invoice from PENNDOT.	AFUDC: \$652,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$94,173 N-AFUDC: \$0	Unknown	December 2006	99%
SR51 Bausman to Ivyglen	Utility cost share agreement with PENNDOT for infrastructure replacement during roadway reconstruction. Construction is complete; awaiting invoice from PENNDOT.	AFUDC: \$13,375 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$8,852 N-AFUDC: \$0	Unknown	December 2006	99%
CMMS (Computerized Maintenance Management System)	Acquire, install, develop, and implement a Computerized Maintenance Management System, including training staff to assist with capital investment prioritization.	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$10,000,000	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	July 2018	December 2026	0%
2017 Catch Basin and Inlet Replacement (Annual IDIQ Contract)	Strategic replacement of approximately 400 catch basins and storm inlets throughout the system to replace failed units, stormwater control reliability, and minimize disturbance to the community.	AFUDC: \$3,013,480 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$2,411,646 N-AFUDC: \$0	July 2017	July 2018	90%
2018 Catch Basin and Inlet Replacement (Annual IDIQ Contract)	Strategic replacement of approximately 840 catch basins and storm inlets throughout the system to replace failed units, stormwater control reliability, and minimize disturbance to the community.	AFUDC: \$10,392,500 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	August 2018	August 2019	0%
2019 Catch Basin and Inlet Replacement (Annual IDIQ Contract)	Strategic replacement of approximately 840 catch basins and storm inlets throughout the system to replace failed units, stormwater control reliability, and minimize disturbance to the community.	AFUDC: \$11,132,500 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	August 2019	August 2020	0%
MS4 Compliance Projects	Four stormwater BMP projects that will reduce pollutants to impaired waters, which include stream restoration and inlet inserts at various sites. These projects are required to comply with the MS4 NPDES permit application submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.	AFUDC: \$1,955,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	October 2018	August 2020	0%
Maytide Storm and Sanitary Sewer System Improvements	Reconstruction of storm infrastructure from Merritt Avenue to the storm interceptor on Ravilla Avenue, the realignment of the sanitary sewer on Maytide (Sanderson to Valline), and the rehabilitation and/or reconstruction of the sanitary sewer mains on the undeveloped right-of-ways in the vicinity. Localized property and street flooding has been well-documented for several years at this location and the undeveloped right-of-way of Sanderson has significantly deteriorated. Additionally, inspections of the sanitary sewers in the vicinity revealed structural and construction defects.	AFUDC: \$2,690,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$12,620 N-AFUDC: \$0	March 2018	March 2020	2%
2019 Storm System Improvements	Strategic replacement or rehabilitation of storm mains or structures to improve system reliability and minimize disturbance to the community, including reducing flooding.	AFUDC: \$5,155,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	August 2018	July 2020	0%
2020 Storm System Improvements	Strategic replacement or rehabilitation of storm mains or structures to improve system reliability and minimize disturbance to the community, including reducing flooding.	AFUDC: \$5,595,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	August 2019	July 2021	0%

Project Name	Project Descriptions	Budgeted Cost	Amount Expended to Date <sup>1</sup>	Start Date	Date of Completion: & In Service:	Percent Project Currently Complete
Saw Mill Run Stream Bank Restoration	Stream restoration of approximately 1,500 linear feet of the Saw Mill Run Creeks to reduce pollutants in the impaired waterway. This project is required to comply with the MS4 NPDES permit application submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.	AFUDC: \$1,385,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	October 2018	August 2020	0%
Volunteer's Fie d Storm Water Management	Installation of BMPs to reduce sediment, other pollutant loads, stormwater volume, and peak flows to the Saw Mill Run watershed. This project is required to comply with the MS4 NPDES permit application submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and to meet the waste load reductions required in the EPA-approved Sediment TMDL in the Saw Mill Run watershed.	AFUDC: \$655,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0			0%
Overbrook Pollution and Flood Reduction	Implementation of stormwater treatment and reconnection of streams to vegetated floodplains to help mitigate stormwater peak flows and reduce sediment and other pollutant loads. This project will demonstrate the effectiveness of green infrastructure in reducing pollutants, controlling CSO/SSOs, and restoring the health of the aquatic ecosystems in the Saw Mill Run watershed to comply with Regulatory obligations.	AFUDC: \$6,500,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0			0%
Tide Gate Insta lations	Installation of tide gates at 44 combined sewer overflow diversion chamber locations to assist in preventing river water intrusion.	AFUDC: \$4,500,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0			0%
Stormwater System Mapping	Locating and mapping the City of Pittsburgh's stormwater system to comply with the MS4 NPDES permit application requirements. Includes confirmation that the drains from the City of Pittsburgh buildings do not spill into water ways.	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$1,320,000	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	June 2018		0%
2018 Green Infrastructure Cost Shares	In efforts to control wet weather issues in the Negley Run Sewershed, the Authority has entered into two cost share agreements to support green infrastructure improvements.	AFUDC: \$500,000 N-AFUDC: \$300,000	AFUDC: \$500,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	January 2018	December 2018	0%
EPA 308/City of Pittsburgh Source Reduction Response	Modeling of the remaining priority combined sewersheds within the City of Pittsburgh, as well as the separate sewersheds within the City in order to meet an EPA submission requirement.	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$750,000	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$459,992	June 2017	July 2018	90%
Centre and Herron Green Infrastructure	Installation of a bioswale feature with subsurface storage to capture and detain impervious road and sidewalk runoff in the Hill District neighborhood of the City of Pittsburgh, which is tributary to the M-19 combined sewer outfall.	AFUDC: \$1,161,168 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$555,144 N-AFUDC: \$0	Aprīl 2016	July 2018	90%
Hillcrest Green Infrastructure	Installation of surface and subsurface storage to capture and detain impervious road and sidewalk runoff in the Garfield neighborhood of the City of Pittsburgh, which is tributary to the A-22 combined sewer outfall.	AFUDC: \$1,336,642 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$1,137,368 N-AFUDC: \$0	May 2016	July 2018	95%
Melwood/Finland Green Infrastructure	Installation of roadside bioretention features to capture and detain impervious road runoff from Melwood Avenue, Cargill Street, and Bethoven Streets in the Polish Hill neighborhood of the City of Pittsburgh, which is tributary to the A-22 combined sewer outfall.	AFUDC: \$971,025 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$205,955 N-AFUDC: \$0	May 2016	September 2018	15%
Wightman Park Green Infrastructure	Installation of stormwater management features to capture and detain impervious acres from the adjacent streets into the park in the Squirrel Hill neighborhood of the City of Pittsburgh, which is tributary to the M-29 combined sewer outfall.	AFUDC: \$2,365,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$104,549 N-AFUDC: \$0	November 2017	November 2019	4%
Woods Run Stream Removal -Phase 1	Installation of stormwater management features to detain and slow release the existing stream base and wet weather flow currently discharging directly into a 36-inch diameter combined sewer on Mairdale Avenue.	AFUDC: \$1,430,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$158,888 N-AFUDC: \$0	October 2017	May 2020	4%

Project Name	Project Descriptions	Budgetéd Cost	Amount Expended to Date <sup>1</sup>	Start Date	Date of Completion	Percent Project - Currently Complete
Panther Hollow/Four Mile Green/Stormwater Infrastructure	Sewer separation, stream restoration, stream daylighting, bioretention, and underground storage to remove the existing stream base and wet weather flow currently discharging into the combined sewer located in M-29.	AFUDC: \$41,100,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	May 2018	September 2023	0%
Spring Garden Stream Removal	Sewer separation, stream restoration, bioretention, and underground storage (if necessary) to remove the existing stream base and wet weather flow currently discharging into the combined sewer located in A-60.	AFUDC: \$10,700,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0			0%
MLK Field Green Infrastructure	Installation of regenerative step pools, rain gardens, and underground detention facilities to capture and detain impervious acres from the adjacent streets and upstream separate storm sewers, which currently discharging into the combined sewer located in M-19. This project will also explore retrofitting 100' of an abandoned 60-inch sewer to be utilized as a detention and slow release system.					
Woodland Drive Green Infrastructure	Installation of stormwater management features to capture and detain impervious acres from the adjacent streets and steeply sloping hillside and to remove the existing stream base and wet weather flow from the combined sewer. Additionally, it will mitigate downstream flooding conditions in the Shadyside neighborhood, and is tributary to the A-22 combined sewer outfall.	AFUDC: \$1,275,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0			0%
Thomas and McPherson Green Infrastructure	Installation of roadside bioretention features to capture and detain impervious road runoff in the North Point Breeze neighborhood of the City of Pittsburgh, which is tributary to the A-42 combined sewer outfall.	AFUDC: \$2,580,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0			0%
Homewood Park Green Infrastructure	Installation of bioswales, underground storage, and permeable paving to divert stormwater from the MLK East Busway and adjacent streets to the redesign of Homewood Park, which is tributary to the A-42 combined sewer outfall.					
Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Green Infrastructure	A cost share with the City's Department of Mobility and Infrastructure on the redesign of Forbes Avenue and Fifth Avenue to accommodate bus rapid transit from downtown to Birmingham Bridge. This project will include the installation of permeable paving, underground storage, and bioretention plantings and is tributary to the M-OS and M-19 outfall.					
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Lawn and Ophelia Green Infrastructure	Installation of stormwater management features to capture and detain impervious acres from the adjacent streets into the park in the South Oakland neighborhood, which is tributary to the M-19B combined sewer outfall.	AFUDC: \$755,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0			0%
Southside Stormwater	Sewer separation, stream restoration, and the installation of green stormwater management systems starting at the South Side Park and reestablishing a connection to the Monongahela River via South 21st Street which is tributary to the M-16 combined sewer outfall.					
Smallman Street Reconstruction	Sewer separation and water main replacement due to the redevelopment of the Produce Terminal Building, realignment of the streetscape, and the location of the existing combined sewer infrastructure, which is located under the existing building. Includes the installation of approximately 2,500 linear feet of new storm sewer piping ranging in size from 24-inch to 54-inch, 2,000 linear feet of new sanitary sewer piping ranging in size from 18-inch to 48-inch, 2,000 linear feet of new 12-inch water main, and 1,500 linear feet of new 36-inch water transmission main.	AFUDC: \$16,867,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$360,948 N-AFUDC: \$0	September 2017	March 2019	10%

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Sewer Master Plan	Comprehensive plan of the sewer system, including risked based prioritization for internal inspection purposes and assessment of the four pump stations.	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$500,000	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	July 2018	January 2019	0%
2018 Sewer Reconstruction (Annual IDIQ Contract)	Reconstruction of existing sewers, manholes, catch basins, and inlets due to emergency situations or pipe failures.	AFUDC: \$1,470,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$12,864 N-AFUDC: \$0	January 2018	January 2019	15%
2019 Sewer Reconstruction (Annual IDIQ Contract)	Reconstruction of existing sewers, manholes, catch basins, and inlets due to emergency situations or pipe failures.	AFUDC: \$1,620,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	January 2019	January 2020	0%
2018 Sewers Under Structures	Rehabilitation, relocation, and abandonment, if applicable, of existing sewer infrastructure located under or adjacent to buildings, bridges, or railroads or located on steep slopes. The following four sites have been identified: Ellsworth Avenue (695 linear feet of 20-inch vitrified clay, combined sewer main located 5135 Ellsworth Avenue), Oakwood Bridge (215 linear feet of 24-inch vitrified clay, combined sewer main located adjacent to the Oakwood Road Bridge), South 16th Street (700 linear feet of 20 and 24-inch vitrified clay, combined sewer main located under the Union Supply Company building, CSX railroad tracks, and the Three Rivers Heritage Trail), and Centre Avenue (575 linear feet of 15-inch vitrified clay, combined sewer main located under a 20-inch water main that serves UPMC Shadyside and a telecommunications duct bank.	AFUDC: \$6,680,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$25,905 N-AFUDC: \$0	March 2018	November 2020	2%
2019 Sewers Under Structures	Rehabilitation, relocation, and abandonment, if applicable, of existing sewer infrastructure located under or adjacent to buildings, bridges, or railroads or located on steep slopes.	AFUDC: \$7,120,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	August 2018	February 2021	0%
2020 Sewers Under Structures	Rehabilitation, relocation, and abandonment, if applicable, of existing sewer infrastructure located under or adjacent to buildings, bridges, or railroads or located on steep slopes.	AFUDC: \$7,290,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	August 2019	February 2022	0%
2019 Wastewater System Improvements	Reconstruction of existing structurally deficient sewer mains on Wiese Street, Wilbur Street, Creedmoor Avenue, Ornament Way, Cooperfield Avenue, N. Sheridan Avenue, Port Way, and Swimburne Street.	AFUDC: \$5,350,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	August 2018	January 2021	0%
2018 Small Diameter Sewer Rehabilitation (Annual IDIQ Contract)	Trenchless rehabilitation of less than 24-inch diameter sewer mains to restore structural integrity, reduce root intrusion, and reduce infiltration and inflow, includes cleaning and pre and post construction CCTV inspections. Provides the Authority a means to address several moderate/major structural defects in a pipe segment prior to complete failure. This trenchless pipe renewal method eliminates disruptive digging and restoration and is cost effective.	AFUDC: \$1,910,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	September 2018	September 2019	0%
2019 Small Diameter Sewer Rehabilitation	Proactive, trenchless rehabilitation of approximately 6 miles of less than 36-inch diameter sewer mains to restore structural integrity, reduce root intrusion, and reduce infiltration and inflow, includes cleaning, pre and post construction CCTV inspections, and if necessary, excavated point repairs and manhole rehabilitation. Provides the Authority a means to address inflow and infiltration and several moderate/major structural defects in a pipe segment prior to complete failure. This trenchless pipe renewal method eliminates disruptive digging and restoration and is cost effective.	AFUDC: \$9,260,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	September 2018	Aprīl 2020	O%

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2020 Small Diameter Sewer Rehabilitation	Proactive, trenchless rehabilitation of approximately 6 miles of less than 36-inch diameter sewer mains to restore structural integrity, reduce root intrusion, and reduce infiltration and inflow, includes cleaning, pre and post construction CCTV inspections, and if necessary, excavated point repairs and manhole rehabilitation. Provides the Authority a means to address inflow and infiltration and several moderate/major structural defects in a pipe segment prior to complete failure. This trenchless pipe renewal method eliminates disruptive digging and restoration and is cost effective.	AFUDC: \$9,350,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	March 2019	October 2020	0%
2020 Large Diameter Sewer Rehabilitation	Proactive, trenchless rehabilitation of approximately 0.5 mile of 36-inch diameter or greater sewer mains to restore structural integrity, reduce root intrusion, and reduce infiltration and inflow, includes cleaning and pre and post construction CCTV inspections. Provides the Authority a means to address several moderate/major structural defects in a pipe segment prior to complete failure. This trenchless pipe renewal method eliminates disruptive digging and restoration and is cost effective.	AFUDC: \$3,800,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	January 2019	April 2020	0%
2021 Large Diameter Sewer Rehabilitation	Proactive, trenchless rehabilitation of approximately 0.5 mile of 36-inch diameter or greater sewer mains to restore structural integrity, reduce root intrusion, and reduce infiltration and inflow, includes cleaning and pre and post construction CCTV inspections. Provides the Authority a means to address several moderate/major structural defects in a pipe segment prior to complete failure. This trenchless pipe renewal method eliminates disruptive digging and restoration and is cost effective.	AFUDC: \$4,130,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	January 2020	April 2021	0%
31 <sup>#</sup> Ward Sewer System Improvements	Evaluation to identify and locate the source(s) of the infiltration and inflow (I/I), removal of public I/I sources, and rehabilitation/replacement of the Rogers Street and Mifflin Road Pump Station and force main. Project will be designed and constructed in a minimum of two phases to ensure the pump stations are properly sized and the flow conveyed will not negatively impact the downstream sewer subshed.	AFUDC: \$13,700,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$429,159 N-AFUDC: \$0	March 2017	February 2021	5%
Larimer Avenue Sewer and 28 <sup>th</sup> Street Stabilization	Evaluation of rerouting storm laterals, sewer televising, geotechnical investigations, and slope stabalization to address a structurally deficient 18-inch combined sewer that has severely eroded the ground surface on the slope below Brereton Street and above the Port Authority of Allegheny County's East Busway.	AFUDC: \$695,901 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$58,776 N-AFUDC: \$0	January 2018	October 2019	5%
2017 Hydrant Replacement (Annual IDIQ Contract)	Replacement of approximately 100 broken or older model type hydrants throughout the water distribution system, excluding hydrants replaced during relays.	AFUDC: \$1,170,438 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$21,831 N-AFUDC: \$0	October 2017	October 2018	5%
2018 Hydrant Replacement (Annual IDIQ Contract)	Replacement of approximately 100 broken or older model type hydrants throughout the water distribution system, excluding hydrants replaced during relays.	AFUDC: \$1,335,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	October 2018	October 2019	0%
2019 Hydrant Replacement (Annual IDIQ Contract)	Replacement of approximately 100 broken or older model type hydrants throughout the water distribution system, excluding hydrants replaced during relays.	AFUDC: \$1,335,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	October 2019	October 2020	0%

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2017 Valve Rep acement (Annual IDIQ Contract)	Replacement of defective or non-operational valves on transmission and distribution mains throughout the water distribution system, excluding valves replaced during relays. Increasing the number of operable valves in the system will reduce the number of customers that may be impacted and the number of valves that would need to be closed during emergency conditions.	AFUDC: \$2,358,380 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$455,779 N-AFUDC: \$0	October 2017	October 2018	30%
2018 Valve Rep acement (Annual IDIQ Contract)	Replacement of defective or non-operational valves on transmission and distribution mains throughout the water distribution system, excluding valves replaced during relays. Includes locating, assessing and documenting the operability, raising to grade, and/or cleaning existing buried or obstructed valves. Increasing the number of operable valves in the system will reduce the number of customers that may be impacted and the number of valves that would need to be closed during emergency conditions.	AFUDC: \$5,960,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	October 2018	October 2019	0%
2019 Valve Replacement (Annual IDIQ Contract)	Replacement of defective or non-operational valves on transmission and distribution mains throughout the water distribution system, excluding valves replaced during relays. Includes locating, assessing and documenting the operability, raising to grade, and/or cleaning existing buried or obstructed valves. Increasing the number of operable valves in the system will reduce the number of customers that may be impacted and the number of valves that would need to be closed during emergency conditions.	AFUDC: \$6,455,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	October 2019	October 2020	0%
2017 Water Relay	Replacement of existing water mains, valves, fittings, service connections, and hydrants due to emergency situations.	AFUDC: \$1,146,885 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$978,968 N-AFUDC: \$0	July 2017	July 2019	95%
(Annual IDIQ Contract)  2018 Water Relay	Replacement of existing water mains, valves, fittings, service connections, and hydrants due to emergency situations.	AFUDC: \$1,620,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	September 2018	September 2019	0%
(Annual IDIQ Contract) 2019 Water Relay (Annual IDIQ Contract)	Replacement of existing water mains, valves, fittings, service connections, and hydrants due to emergency situations.	AFUDC: \$1,720,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	September 2019	September 2020	0%
2018 Small Water Main Replacement	Strategic replacement of water mains to improve system reliability as well as improve water pressure, maintain water quality, and minimize disturbance to the community. By maintaining a proactive approach to asset management, efforts can be directed towards remedying assets before their failure, thus saving in overall replacement cost. In 2018, the following mains have been selected for replacement: Hamilton Avenue from N. Dallas Avenue to N. Homewood Avenue; Railroad Street from 25th Street to 32nd Street; and S. Millvale Avenue from Liberty Avenue to Friendship Avenue.	AFUDC: \$10,680,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$213,681 N-AFUDC: \$0	December 2017	May 2020	5%
2019 Small Water Main Replacement	Strategic replacement of water mains to improve system reliability as well as improve water pressure, maintain water quality, and minimize disturbance to the community. By maintaining a proactive approach to asset management, efforts can be directed towards remedying assets before their failure, thus saving in overall replacement cost. Additionally, projects will be coordinated with other utilities to minimize disturbance to the community and street surface restoration costs. Water quality and available hydrant flows will also improve by removing tuberculated mains.	AFUDC: \$10,880,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	July 2018	December 2020	0%

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2020 Small Water Main Replacement	Strategic replacement of water mains, including lead service lines, to Improve system reliability as well as improve water pressure, maintain water quality, and minimize disturbance to the community. By maintaining a proactive approach to asset management, efforts can be directed towards remedying assets before their failure, thus saving in overall replacement cost. Additionally, projects will be coordinated with other utilities to minimize disturbance to the community and street surface restoration costs. Water quality and available hydrant flows will also improve by removing tuberculated mains.	AFUDC: \$21,520,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	March 2019	August 2021	0%
District Water and Pressure Meters	Installation of water meters and pressure monitors in the distribution system to determine water usage and loss, and pressure loss.	AFUDC: \$2,835,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0			0%
Ft. Duquesne Bridge Water Air Release	Perform transient analysis along existing 30-inch water main that is suspended from the Fort Duquesne Bridge. Design and construct new pipe supports, couplings, and thrust restraint based on the results of the analysis. Includes the replacement of the existing air-release valve on the 30-inch water main, including insulation or heat tracing to reduce potential for freezing and cracking of the valve.	AFUDC: \$2,510,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$87,437 N-AFUDC: \$0	January 2017	May 2019	5%
Washout Disconnection	Investigation and, if necessary, disconnection of large water main washouts from the sewer system. A number of older washouts on larger mains were directly connected to sewers with a closed valve during construction. These washouts (cross connections) in accordance PA DEP requirements, must be completely disconnected from the sewer.	AFUDC: \$13,140,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	October 2018	September 2023	0%
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2017 Lead Service Line Replacement	Replacement of 7% of lead service lines, both public and private. Due to the exceedance of the action levels from compliance tests for lead and copper, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection required the Authority to perform additional distribution system water quality monitoring, optimization of corrosion control treatment, source water monitoring/treatment, public education, and lead service line replacement.	AFUDC: \$8,353,347 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$1,686,144 N-AFUDC: \$0	January 2017	June 2018	80%
Replacement of 7% of lead service lines, both public and private. Due to the exceedance of the action levels from compliance tests for lead and copper, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection required the Authority to		AFUDC: \$43,300,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$84,066 N-AFUDC: \$0	March 2018	February 2019	5%
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2018 Curb Box inspections	Curb Box Inspections provide the Authority with a cost effective way to visually identify the material on both the public and private sides of the water service lines. Locating lead service lines allows the Authority to identify both individual service lines to replace and waterlines that have a particularly high amount of lead service lines that can be replaced to facilitate the lead service line replacements. Curb Boxes typically require moderate cleaning through a combination of vacuum extraction, high pressure air and high pressure water before a clear visual of the service line can be obtained.	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$2,980,134	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	December 2017	March 2019	20%
2019 Curb Box Inspections	Curb Box Inspections provide the Authority with a cost effective way to visually identify the material on both the public and private sides of the water service lines. Locating lead service lines allows the Authority to identify both individual service lines to replace and waterlines that have a particularly high amount of lead service lines that can be replaced to facilitate the lead service line replacements. Curb Boxes typically require moderate cleaning through a combination of vacuum extraction, high pressure air and high pressure water before a clear visual of the service line can be obtained.	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$4,070,000	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	October 2018	March 2020	0%
2019 Large Diameter Water Main Improvements	Strategic replacement or rehabilitation of large diameter water mains (16-inch and larger) and appurtenances to improve system reliability and hydraulics, including internal and external inspections. By maintaining a proactive approach to asset management, efforts can be directed towards remedying assets before their failure, thus resulting in a savings in the replacement cost as compared to emergency/reactive repair costs. Typically, large diameter pipe is not readily available and has a 6 to 8 week lead time for delivery. A large percentage of the Authority's large diameter mains are riveted steel, which cannot be easily repaired without the use of field fabricated specialty fittings. In 2019, Rising Mains 3 and 4 from the Bruecken Pump Station have been selected for improvements, which is approximatly 2.3 miles of main.	AFUDC: \$23,550,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	August 2018	March 2022	0%
2020 Large Diameter Water Main Improvements	Strategic replacement or rehabilitation of large diameter water mains (16-inch and larger) and appurtenances to improve system reliability and hydraulics, including internal and external inspections. By maintaining a proactive approach to asset management, efforts can be directed towards remedying assets before their failure, thus resulting in a savings in the replacement cost as compared to emergency/reactive repair costs. Typically, large diameter pipe is not readily available and has a 6 to 8 week lead time for delivery. A large percentage of the Authority's large diameter mains are riveted steel, which cannot be easily repaired without the use of specialty fabricated fittings.	AFUDC: \$11,770,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	January 2019	August 2022	0%
Aspinwall Pump Station to Lanpher Reservoir Rising Main	Construction of a new, redundant rising main from Aspinwall Pump Station to Lanpher Reservoir. The existing 60-inch rising main that supplies the Lanpher Reservoir is a 150 year old riveted steel pipe, has several tap connections to critical and bulk customers, and has experienced recent pipe failures. The proposed rising main would serve as a primary supply source for Lanpher Reservoir during the Clearwell Replacement Project and a redundant supply line in case of a failure or planned cleaning and rehabilitation of the existing 60-inch supply main.	AFUDC: \$49,454,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	September 2018	September 2022	0%

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Aspinwall Pump Station Improvements	Replacement of aged pump and valve equipment, electrical equipment, HVAC, and auxiliary systems and rehabilitation of the building architectural and energy management systems. The current pump station was constructed in 1914 and many of the components were installed in 1958. The pump station is in need of renovations and upgrades to maintain service, restore a 20 to 25 year useful life expectancy, and to provide safer conditions for the staff.	AFUDC: \$29,690,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	April 2019	February 2023	0%
Bruecken Pump Station Improvements	Replacement of aged pump and valve equipment, electrical equipment, HVAC, and auxiliary systems and rehabilitation of the building architectural and energy management systems. The pump station was constructed in 1931. The pump station is in need of renovations and upgrades to maintain service, restore a 20 to 25 year useful life expectancy, and to provide safer conditions for the staff.	AFUDC: \$24,990,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	April 2019	February 2023	0%
Bruecken Pump Station Valve Vault	Upgrade to the mechanical and structural reliability of the six discharge manifold valve vaults at the Bruecken Pump Station, including associated electrical and control improvements. Includes the replacement of fourteen electric motor operated gate valves; addidition of a surge relief valve in each of four rising mains; addition of aluminum access platforms, ladders, and hatchways in the roof of each vault; providing new lighting in each vault; replacement of the control panel for the gate valves; and, replacement of the the standby generator that enables operation of the gate valves during power outages. To meet improvements mandated by an Administrative Order issued by the PADEP on 10/25/17, three diesel engine driven pumps and standby generators capable of operating one of the pump station's main pumps will also be purchased and installed.	AFUDC: \$6,115,918 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$5,694,620 N-AFUDC: \$0	June 2013	December 2018	80%
Chlorine Booster Station Improvements	Rehabilitation or replacement of the existing sodium hypochlorite booster stations in the distribution system, excluding Lanpher and Herron Hill. Includes installation of flow meters, if necessary.	AFUDC: \$10,090,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	September 2018	December 2021	0%
Garfield Tank Improvements	Perform a comprehensive inspection of the existing elevated storage tank, evaluate the system's need for additional storage for regulatory compliance, the need for an additional storage tank, and rehabilitation of the existing tank.	AFUDC: \$4,050,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	September 2018	April 2021	0%
Lincoln Tank Improvements	Perform a comprehensive inspection of the existing storage tank, evaluate the system's need for additional storage for regulatory compliance, the need for an additional tank, and rehabilitation of the existing tank.	AFUDC: \$4,195,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	September 2018	April 2021	0%
Herron Hill Reservoir Improvements	Installation of new liner and cover and provide ancillary improvements to the entire facility, including Sodium Hypochlorite Injection system, SCADA system improvements, site electrical improvements, sluice gate rehabilitation, dewatering pumps, concrete repairs and necessary site work.	AFUDC: \$5,520,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	October 2018	December 2020	0%
Lanpher Reservoir Improvements	Installation of new liner and cover and provide ancillary improvements to the entire facility, including Sodium Hypochlorite injection system, SCADA system improvements, site electrical improvements, sluice gate rehabilitation, dewatering pumps, concrete repairs and necessary site work.	AFUDC: \$19,630,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$4,163,848 N-AFUDC: \$0	September 2017	December 2019	30%
Highland No. 2 Reservoir Improvements	Installation of new liner and cover and provide ancillary improvements to the entire facility, including new outlet piping for Highland Pump Station and Rising Main, Sodium Hypochlorite injection system, SCADA system improvements, site electrical improvements, sluice gate rehabilitation, dewatering pumps, concrete repairs and necessary site work.	AFUDC: \$27,510,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	September 2018	July 2021	0%

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Highland Pump Station and Rising Main	Construction of a new finished water pump station and transmission main to supply water to the Highland No.1 Service Area from Highland No. 2 Reservoir. All compliant water supply for the Highland No. 1 Service Area currently flows through the Highland No. 1 Reservoir and the Membrane Filtration Plant (MFP) or directly into the system. There is no online storage for the system, and there is no other source water supply for the Highland No. 1 Service Area. In addition to providing alternate supply, this project will temporarily provide finished water that meets the chlorine disinfection rules to the Highland No. 1 Service Area during the Clearwell Replacement Project. Additionally, this new facility will also be designed to service the Garfield pressure district, thus eliminating the need to rehabilitate the (New) Highland Pump Station.	AFUDC: \$37,130,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$397,991 N-AFUDC: \$0	March 2017	June 2022	3%
Aspinwall and MFP Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic Chemical Tank Inspections and Repairs/Replacement	Inspection and rehabilitation and/or replacement of the fiberglass reinforced plastic chemical tanks.	AFUDC: \$292,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$157,996 N-AFUDC: \$0	April 2017	June 2019	50%
Aspinwall Treatment Plant Pretreatment Chemical System and Clarification Improvements	Improvements to pretreatment chemical systems, clarifiers, sedimenation, and associated systems to provide enhanced water treatment.	AFUDC: \$27,310,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$190,717 N-AFUDC: \$0	March 2017	February 2023	2%
Aspinwall Water Treatment Plant Electrical and Backup Power Improvements	Improvements to electrical systems at Aspirwall Water Treatment Plant, including provisions for backup power systems, upgrades to existing electrical distribution system, and replacement of motor control centers.	AFUDC: \$26,520,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$269,857 N-AFUDC: \$0	March 2017	February 2023	2%
Clearwell Emergency Response Project	Construction of piping, suction wells, if necessary, and appurtenances to bypass the existing clearwell.	AFUDC: \$27,670,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$669,381 N-AFUDC: \$0	March 2017	April 2022	2%
Clearwell Improvements	Replacement of the existing 108 year old, single cell clearwell (finished water structure). The clearwell was constructed in 1908 and has not undergone any major modifications or upgrades since. It has two main functions: providing equalization storage that allows the filters to operate independently of potential fluctuations in system demands and providing sufficient retention contact time for disinfection to meet the requirements of the Federal Surface Water Treatment Rule and Long-Term 2 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule. Considering the age and condition of the clearwell, it is the water system's weakest link as there are no practical means to deliver water by bypassing the clearwell, while maintaining the required volume, quality, and contact time.	AFUDC: \$67,810,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	April 2019	March 2024	0%
Corrosion Control Chemical Storage and Feed Systems	Installation of phosphoric acid storage and feed systems located at Aspinwall Pump Station, Bruecken Pump Station, and near the Membrane Filtration Plant to provide corrosion control in the distribution system.	AFUDC: \$3,960,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	May 2018	October 2018	10%
Filter Rehabilitation	Rehabilitation of the 18 rapid sand filters at PWSA's Aspinwall water treatment plant. Project includes the replacement of the filter bed, process control valves, and electrical control panels at each of the rapid sand filters, replacement of the filter backwash pump, HVAC improvements, electrical and lighting improvements, and lead paint remediation.	AFUDC: \$28,829,360 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$27,799,589 N-AFUDC: \$0	October 2013	August 2018	95%
Highland Park Membrane Filtration Module Replacement Program	Replace membrane modules, which includes a total of 10 racks each with 80 modules. Note: Four racks were replaced in 2017.	AFUDC: \$2,289,711 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$582,054 N-AFUDC: \$0	May 2017	January 2020	40%
Highland Park Membrane Filtration Plant UV System	Installation of a UV treatment system and appurtenances at the Highland Park Membrane Filtration Plant (MFP) to comply with the 1 log inactivation of Giardia cysts and the PADEP Administrative Order dated October 25, 2017.	AFUDC: \$2,800,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0	October 2017	November 2018	10%

Project Name	Project Descriptions	Budgeted Cost	Amount Expended to  Date <sup>1</sup>	Start Date	Date of Completion & In Service	Percent Project Currently Complete
MFP Assessment and Critical Process Improvements	Complete a condition assessment of systems supporting the treatment process and perform critical improvements to maintain water treatment and allow full warranty of replacement modules. Improvements may include electrical, chemical feed, strainers, and other support systems.	AFUDC: \$1,831,539 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$\$991,914 N-AFUDC: \$0	March 2017	December 2018	75%
MFP Transformer Repair and UPS Replacement	Replacement of a failed cooling fan on the electrical transformer supplying all power to the Membrane Filtration Plant (MFP) and replacement of the 2nd Floor UPS providing backup power to process controls.	AFUDC: \$89,425 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$67,378 N-AFUDC: \$0	April 2017	June 2018	95%
Aspinwall Water Treatment Plant Condition 8ased Assessment	Perform a condition assessment at the Aspinwall Water Treatment Plant to Identify the condition of the buildings, site, process equipment, and support systems and to develop a prioritized capital improvements project list and to identify required improvements to meet upcoming federal regulations and future system expansion goals.	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$600,000	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0			0%
Water System GIS Improvements	Rescan Water Record Books, Input material and pipe age into GIS. Update valve layer.	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$1,200,000	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0			0%
Water Master Plan	Comprehensive plan, including analysis of demands, future demands, capacities, and pipe condition based assessment.	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$200,000	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0			0%
Pump Station Assessment	Complete the condition assessment at the following pump stations: Herron Hill, Herron Hill Tank, Howard, Inline at Coral and Pacific, Lincoln, Mission, and Saline to identify the condition of the buildings, site, process equipment, and support systems and to develop a prioritized capital improvements project list and to identify required improvements to meet upcoming federal regulations and future system expansion goals.	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$200,000	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0			0%
Low Pressure Area Remediation	Fix chronically low pressure areas by either extending neighboring higher pressure districts into the area, booster pump stations, or household booster pumps. This project is in response to the low pressure monitors required by the October 2017 Administrative Order.	AFUDC: \$2,000,000 N-AFUDC: \$0	AFUDC: \$0 N-AFUDC: \$0			0%

# Exhibit RAW-4

# Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Compliance Plan

for

### The Pittsburgh Water & Sewer Authority

- 1. Purpose of Document
  - a. Focusing on the Future
- 2. Short History of the Pittsburgh Water & Sewer Authority
  - a. History of Water and Sewer Infrastructure Development in Pittsburgh
  - b. Charter and Organization
  - c. Operating History
  - d. Recent Developments
    - i. Present Governance
    - ii. Potential Policy Changes
    - iii. Goals for the Future
- 3. System and Operations Activities
  - a. Water System
  - b. Wastewater System
  - c. Stormwater System
- 4. PUC Compliance Requirements and Reporting Overview
  - a. Financial Practices
  - b. Accounting Practices
    - i. Plans to convert to the Uniform Standards of Accounts;1
  - c. Customer Service Practices<sup>2</sup> (Not covered by filed PUC Tariff)
  - d. PWSA's Proposed Tariff filed at R-2018-3002645,47 proposes rules and regulations that fully comply with the billing, collection, complaint, and termination rules of Chapter 14 of the Public Utility Code and Chapter 56 of the Commission's regulations (except where waivers are requested)
  - e. Registration of Securities (66 Pa. C.S. §1901-1904)

<sup>1</sup> Required by PUC FIO.

Required by PUC FIO.

- 5. Compliance by (Relevant) Title 52 Chapter (PWSA proposed compliance with relevant section of Title 66 also included)
  - a. Subpart C. Fixed Service Utilities
    - i. Chapter 56. Standards and Billing Practices for Residential Utility Service
    - PWSA's Proposed Tariff filed at R-2018-3002645,47 proposes rules and regulations that fully comply with the billing, collection, complaint, and termination rules of Chapter 14 of the Public Utility Code and Chapter 56 of the Commission's regulations (except where waivers are requested)
    - iii. Chapter 65. Water Service
      - 1. Property Records (§ 65.4(b))
      - 2. Complaint Records (§ 65.3)
      - 3. Pressure Test Records (§ 65.6)
      - 4. Meter Test Records (§ 65.8(c))
      - 5. Productions and Consumption Records (§ 65.14(b))
      - 6. Annual Financial Reports (§ 65.19)
      - 7. Accidents (§ 65.2)
    - iv. Chapter 67. Service Outages
    - v. Chapter 69. General Orders, Policy Statements and Guidelines on Fixed Utilities
    - vi. Chapter 71. Financial Reports
      - 1. Quarterly Earnings Reports (§ 71.1 71.9)
    - vii. Chapter 73. Annual Depreciation Reports, Service Life Studies and Capital Investment Plans
      - 1. Service Life Study Report
      - 2. Capital Investment Plan Report
  - b. Subpart D. Subpart E. Public Utility Security Planning and Readiness
    - i. Chapter 101. Public Utility Preparedness through Self Certification
    - ii. Chapter 102. Confidential Security Information
  - c. Subpart G. Distribution System Improvement Charge
    - i. Chapter 121. Long-Term Infrastructure Improvement Plan (Discussed Separately)
    - ii. Annual Water Audit Summary<sup>3</sup>

Docket No. M-2008-2062697, Tentative Opinion and Order M-2017-2582566 which became final on December 10, 2011.Docket No. M-2017-2582566 (Water Audit Reports for 2017).

#### 6. Other Compliance Issues

- a. Introduction.
  - This Section describes how PWSA proposes to deal with procedures, contracts and operations that are not consistent with the standard PUC practice or policy
- b. PWSA Services Contract with City of Pittsburgh ("City")
- c. Unmetered and/or Unbilled Usage (including City usage)
- d. Billing Arrangement With ALCOSAN
- e. Billing Arrangement With PA American Water
- f. Future implementation of a stormwater tariff4
- g. Plan to address lead levels in the water supply and the replacement of lead service lines (included in LTIIP)<sup>5</sup>
- h. Plan to address Unaccounted for Water
- Bureau of Consumer Services access to PWSA customer service management information system<sup>6</sup>
- 7. Issues to be Addressed in Subsequent Proceedings
  - a. Sales For Resale to Municipalities Next Rate Case
  - b. Bulk Water Contract Next Rate Case
  - c. Stormwater Tariff Next Rate Case

#### Appendixes:

- a) Summary Table of PUC Compliance by Title 52 Chapter
- b) Long-Term Infrastructure Improvement Plan (LTIIP):
- c) Public Utility Security Planning and Readiness Self-Certification Form:
- d) Additional Forms and Certificates as Required
- e) System Maps and Plans (as needed and not included in the LTIIP)

<sup>4</sup> Required by PUC FIO.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Required by PUC FIO.

<sup>6</sup> Required by PUC FIO.

# BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

#### DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

### **DEBBIE M. LESTITIAN**

### ON BEHALF OF THE PITTSBURGH WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY

Docket Nos. R-2018-3002645 and R-2018-3002647

Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Initial Tariff Filings and Rate Requests

July 2, 2018

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1	I.	INTRODUCTION
2	Q.	PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND POSITION WITH THE COMPANY.
3	A.	My name is Debbie M. Lestitian. My position with Pittsburgh Water and Sewer
4		Authority ("PWSA") is Chief Corporate Counsel and Chief of Administration.
5	Q.	PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND.
6	A.	I hold a Bachelor of Arts degree in Accounting from Washington & Jefferson
7		College, and a Juris Doctor degree from Duquesne University School of Law. I
8		am also a Certified Public Accountant.
9 10	Q.	PLEASE PROVIDE A SUMMARY OF YOUR RELEVANT EXPERIENCE.
11	A.	I have been at the Authority since February 2018. Prior to working at the
12		Authority, I served as Chief of Administration and Human Resources and
13		Director of Human Resources for the City of Pittsburgh from 2014 through 2018.
14		Additionally, I was appointed to the PWSA Board in April 2017 and was elected
15		Chair of the Board at the beginning of my appointment. Before my role at the City
16		of Pittsburgh, I was Assistant Treasurer at Carnegie Mellon University. Prior to
17		Carnegie Mellon University, I spent twenty years in legal and accounting
18		consulting.
19	Q.	WHAT ARE YOUR VARIOUS JOB RESPONSIBILITIES WITH PWSA?
20	A.	In my present position, I am responsible for overseeing a variety of activities of
21		the Authority including providing advice concerning legal rights and obligations
22		under federal, state and local laws.
23		In summary, my roles and responsibilities include but are not limited to:
24	•	Advising the Executive Director and the heads of all departments as to legal
25		questions affecting the Authority's interests;

- Supporting the Executive Director by acting in that role in his/her absence:
- Being responsible for working across all administrative departments to ensure that
   effective and efficient processes are in place to support those departments;
- Mentoring and coaching administrative staff, delegating work effectively and
   holding team members to a high standard of excellence;
- Improving processes and policies and managing administrative staff and long
   term organizational planning;
- Representing the Authority in all legal matters and proceedings in which the
   Authority is a party or interested, or in which any of its officers are officially
   interested;
- Representing the Authority in all collective bargaining, side-bar, and grievance matters;
- Developing strategies in preparation for litigation, arbitration, mediation, labor
   negotiations, financing transactions and administrative agency proceedings;
- Researching legal issues and preparing legal memorandum and correspondence;
- Managing matters referred to outside counsel;
- Managing the preparation of contracts, leases and internal policies for all
   Authority divisions;
- Assisting the Human Resources Department with internal investigations;
- Reviewing rules, policies, plans and forms prepared by other Authority personnel
  for compliance with applicable laws;
- Preparing and/or reviewing documents for construction projects and for the purchase, lease, or sale of goods, services and professional services including

2		qualifications, bonds, and contractual documents; and
3	•	Maintaining and developing knowledge about laws, regulations, and court
4		decisions affecting the Authority.
5 6 7	Q.	HAVE YOU EVER PROVIDED TESTIMONY BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION ("COMMISSION" OR "PUC")?
8	A.	No.
9 10	Q.	HAVE YOU PRESENTED TESTIMONY AS AN EXPERT IN OTHER PROCEEDINGS?
11	A.	I have never testified before the PUC. However, I have testified in other court
12		proceedings.
13	Q.	WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?
14	A.	The purpose of my testimony is to: 1) provide the documentation and supporting
15		methodology for the schedules and exhibits that are included in PWSA's base rate
16		filing; 2) describe PWSA's financial results for the fully projected future test year
17		(comprised of the period from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019); and
18		3) detail and provide supporting justification for PWSA's requested increase in
19		existing annual base rates of \$27.0 million.
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specifications, bid documents, requests for proposals, and requests for

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#### II. BACKGROUND FOR CONSIDERATION OF RATE REQUEST

## 2 Q. ON WHAT BASIS IS PWSA'S REQUESTED RATE RELIEF TO BE CONSIDERED?

4 This is the first case in which PWSA's revenue requirement will be determined by A. 5 the Commission as a regulated public utility that is subject to most chapters of the 6 Public Utility Code. Chapter 32 of the Public Utility Code, added in 2017, gives 7 the Commission jurisdiction over PWSA's provision of water, wastewater and service.<sup>2</sup> The Commission has determined that it has jurisdiction over stormwater 8 service provided by PWSA.<sup>3</sup> The Commission has decided that PWSA's revenue 9 10 requirement will be determined using the "Cash Flow" method, the traditional 11 method of determining just and reasonable rates for municipal utilities such as 12 PWSA. This is appropriate because PWSA has no shareholders and does not pay 13 a dividend or a rate of return to its owner. Accordingly, all of the funds it needs 14 to run the Company come from ratepayers or from borrowing (the costs of which 15 then must be paid by ratepayers). Therefore, rather than having its revenue 16 requirement determined on the basis of a fair rate of return on a used and useful 17 rate base, PWSA's rates are set by determining the levels of cash necessary to 18 fund an operating budget that enables PWSA to maintain the system, pay for 19 needed capital improvements and maintain access to the capital markets at 20 reasonable rates.

## Q. PLEASE PROVIDE A SUMMARY OF PWSA'S RECENT RATE INCREASE ACTIVITY.

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See 66 Pa.C.S. §§ 102, 3201, 3202(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Id

Implementation of Chapter 32 of the Public Utility Code Re Pittsburgh Water And Sewer Authority, Docket Nos. M-2018-2640802 (water) and M-2018-2640803 (wastewater), Final Implementation Order entered March 15, 2018, at p. 5.

1 A. In 2017, prior to coming under the authority of the PUC, the PWSA Board voted 2 to implement a three-stage rate increase: 27.9% starting on January 1, 2018; 9.6% on January 1, 2019; and a third increase in 2020 of 11.0%. The 2018 increase has 3 4 been implemented. PWSA's schedules assume a full year of that rate increase in 5 2018. In light of the intervening passage of Act 65, as well as to recognize 6 changing budget inputs, PWSA is proposing to put into effect the rate increase 7 proposed here rather than continuing with the approved series of rate adjustments 8 authorized by the PWSA Board of Directors.

# 9 Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE MAIN DRIVERS FOR THE RATE INCREASE REQUESTED HERE.

11 A. The following Table shows this.

12 **Table 1**13 **("000")**14

2018 – 2019	
Revenue Requirement Increase:	
Increase in revenues to cover total System Revenue Requirement	\$19,800
Increase in Rate Revenue Requirement from Retail User Charges	\$27,000
Increase in Total Revenue	\$27,4004
Net Increase in Expenses	
Increase in Direct Operating Expenses:	\$ 1,200
Increase in Debt Service	\$13,200
Increase in loss on ALCOSAN billings	\$ 200
Introduce "PAYGO"	\$ 1,500
Net Transfer to Reserves (for Rate Stabilization Fund and Reserves)	\$ 3,700
Increase in Revenues	
Increment to cover Revenue Requirement	\$19,800
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Increment to Cover Reduced FPFTY Sales	\$ 7,600
TOTAL	\$27,4005

Includes Wholesale Sales and Miscellaneous Revenue.

<sup>5</sup> Differences due to rounding.

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2		As can be seen on Table 1, PWSA's rate increase request, compared to 2018
3		revenues, is being driven by two main items. The largest driver is increased debt
4		service caused by the issuance of approximately \$150 million in additional long-
5		term debt.
6 7	Q.	PLEASE SUMMARIZE RECENT ACTIVITY REGARDING PWSA'S LONG-TERM DEBT ISSUANCES.
8	A.	As explained in more detail by PWSA witness Katherine L. Clupper, in 2017,
9		PWSA closed on over \$380 million of bonds to reform the financial position of
10		the Authority, lowering debt costs by about \$1 million per year. This also
11		improved its credit profile and the standing of its bond indenture. In the coming
12		months, PWSA is planning to expand the capacity of its line of credit and market
13		new bonds to fund the revitalization of Pittsburgh's water and wastewater
14		conveyance infrastructure.
15 16	Q.	WHAT PLANS DOES PWSA HAVE TO SELL BONDS IN THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE?
17	A.	PWSA anticipates issuing Revenue Bonds in the par amount of approximately
18		\$150 million in the first or second quarter of 2019. The exact timing of the
19		issuance will be subject to market conditions. The revenue requirement effects of
20		this additional bond issuance is reflected in the revenue requirement that PWSA
21		has calculated.
22 23	Q.	PLEASE EXPLAIN THE OTHER DRIVERS OF THE REQUESTED RATE INCREASE.
24	A.	As shown on Table 1, the other factor that has resulted in PWSA's need to
25		increase rates is a significant decrease in anticipated water sales compared to prior

projections.	As I will o	discuss in	more detail,	PWSA	analyses i	indicates t	hat this
reduced leve	el of sales v	will contin	ue in 2019 a	and beyo	ond.		

Notably, only \$1.2 million of the rate increase is associated with a net

Operating Budget increase, compared to PWSA's 2018 Operating Budget. Prior
to coming under PUC jurisdiction the PWSA Board approved Operating Budget
increases needed to implement a variety of programs and initiatives designed to
improve the safety, efficiency and quality of PWSA's water and wastewater
conveyance service. The 2019 Operating Budget continues these essential
programs. I will discuss a few of the other rate increase drivers later in my
testimony.

#### 11 III. PRO FORMA FINANCIAL RESULTS

- 12 Q. HAVE YOU PREPARED A PRO FORMA TEST YEAR INCOME
- 13 STATEMENT, CASH FLOW, DEBT SERVICE COVERAGE AND
- 14 BALANCE SHEET THAT PROJECTS THE COMPANY'S STATUS IN
- 15 THE CURRENT YEAR AS WELL AS ON A PROJECTED BASIS?
- 16 A. Yes.

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- 17 Q. FIRST, PLEASE EXPLAIN THE TEST YEAR ON WHICH PWSA'S CLAIMED REVENUE REQUIREMENT IS BASED.
- 19 A. As permitted by Act 11 of 2012, PWSA has based its claimed revenue
- requirement on the fully forecasted 12 months ending December 31, 2019,
- 21 referred to as the Fully Projected Future Test Year ("FPFTY"). The Future Test
- Year ("FTY") is calendar year 2018, January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018, and
- the Historical Test Year ("HTY") is calendar year 2017, January 1, 2017 to
- December 31, 2017. Those results are displayed on Exhibit DML-1. Each page
- of this exhibit shows data for: (1) the HTY, the 12 months ended December 31,

2		2018; and (3) the FPFTY, the 12 months ended December 31, 2019 or FY 2019.
3 4	Q.	HAS THE COMPANY RELIED UPON OTHER PROVISIONS OF ACT 11 IN DEVELOPING THIS CASE?
5	A.	Yes. As authorized by Section 1311(c) of the Code, PWSA is also proposing to
6		determine its revenue requirement on a combined water and wastewater basis.
7		The use of 1311(c) continues the prior accounting and ratemaking practice of
8		PWSA.
9 10	Q.	PLEASE DESCRIBE HOW THE DATA FOR THE HISTORIC TEST YEAR WERE DERIVED.
11	A.	The HTY is the actual audited results for FY 2017.
12 13	Q.	PLEASE DESCRIBE HOW THE FUTURE TEST YEAR AND FULLY PROJECTED FUTURE TEST YEAR RESULTS WERE DERIVED.
14	A.	The FTY and FPFTY results were derived through a comprehensive utility-wide
15		budgeting process. PWSA uses a zero-based budgeting method to develop annual
16		budgets. Previous year's budgets are referenced when developing the FPFTY
17		budget, but each cost is individually considered when developing the budget.
18		This is contrary to a traditional budgeting approach in which an escalation factor
19		is applied for a generic anticipated increase in a specific type of cost. A
20		traditional budgeting process, using escalation factors, is used to forecast the
21		Forecast Period, the operating results for FY 2020 - FY 2023, shown on Exhibit
22		DML-2.
23		Each of the seventeen departments within PWSA prepares budget requests
24		for the upcoming fiscal year. Those requests are reviewed by the Finance
25		Department for accuracy and adherence to the realistic expectations and/or
26		projections. The Finance Department prepares a "roll-up" of initial funding and

2017 or FY 2017; (2) the FTY, the 12 months ended December 31, 2018 or FY

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expense recommendations for the Executive Director. The Executive Director then may make recommendations on the initial recommendations. Any recommendations are discussed with the applicable department and, if accepted, results in a revised set of recommendations. Once satisfied, the Executive Director (with the assistance of the Finance Department) prepares an operating budget for review by the Board. The Board may accept or modify the operating budget. The final operating budget is approved by the Board. Typically, this is done in November or December for the fiscal year commencing on January 1. If necessary, the Operating Budget can be revised during the fiscal year.

On Exhibit DML-3 I have provided additional information concerning the budget process. Page 1 of Exhibit DML-3 shows the Operating Budgets for 2018 and 2019 as well as the actual Operating Expenses incurred in 2017. Page 2 shows the types of expenses incurred or projected for each department. Notably the largest portion of each Annual Operating Budget is for Labor and associated benefits.

In addition to the operating budget and the capital costs related to existing debt service and debt service related to the additional borrowing described above, PWSA incurs several other costs. The Authority has historically paid \$7.15 million to the City of Pittsburgh's General Fund, which is included in the revenue requirements segregated by water and wastewater conveyance obligation.

Additionally, the Authority carries bad debt expense for collections related to pass through charges by ALCOSAN, the region's wastewater treatment provider. The pass through charges that are assessed to the Authority are based on billed volume, not collected revenue, and thus costs Authority customers approximately

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\$3-5 million per year. Another cost presently passed onto Authority customers is a rate subsidy paid directly to Pennsylvania American Water Company ("PAWC"). This subsidy offsets PAWC's water rates to the Authority's sewer only customers. This subsidy is projected to be \$4.8 million in the FPFTY.

PWSA is proposing to address each of these issues in its Compliance Plan.

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Exhibit DML-3 pages 3-6 describe each of PWSA's operating departments, other operating expenses and capital costs in greater detail. This table provides information regarding changes in budgeted levels from 2017 (HTY) to 2018 (FTY) and from 2018 (FTY) to 2019 (FPFTY). Pages 3-6 provide not only context behind these changes but also identifies the primary drivers for each category of costs. In many cases, expenses were only a driver to the overall increase in one year or the other. While the primary focus of this rate filing is justifying the increase for the FPFTY, it is important for the PUC to understand the significant ramp up in costs for the FTY, which current rates support, especially operating costs to meet new standards that the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection mandates, and an enhanced level of service for which PWSA proposes continuing in the FPFTY budget.

## 18 Q. ARE THE COSTS OF COMPLYING WITH PUC REGULATION AND LITIGATING THIS RATE CASE INCLUDED IN THE FPFTY?

Yes, PWSA has budgeted for these expenditures and is proposing to include them as projected in its revenue requirement rather than amortizing or "normalizing" these expenditures over some period of time. As a cash flow company, PWSA's rates reflect what it actually incurs in a year and collecting those costs in rates over two or three years is not reasonable.

1 2 3	Q.	DOES PWSA ALSO PREPARE A FIVE YEAR FORECAST OF FINANCIAL OPERATIONS (HERE REFERRED TO AS THE FORECAST PERIOD)?
4	A.	Yes. PWSA rolls forward its budgeted operating results using the Budget year, or
5		the FPFTY, as the base year to create a five-year forecast, taking account of any
6		known rate or other changes that might affect the results in a particular year. For
7		this filing, PWSA accelerated its budgeting process for FY 2019 to establish a
8		fully developed FPFTY as the test year in this proceeding and as a base year of its
9		five-year forecast. Beyond FPFTY, for the Forecast Period, PWSA uses the
10		aforementioned traditional budgeting method of applying escalation factors to
11		certain groups or types of cost in anticipation of increased cost of service. The
12		Forecast Period results are shown on Exhibit DML-2.
13 14 15 16	Q.	AS NOTED PREVIOUSLY, PWSA MADE AN ADJUSTMENT TO FUTURE TEST YEAR REVENUE AT PRESENT RATES TO REFLECT ACCURATE CONSUMPTION. CAN YOU PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DETAIL?
17	A.	Yes. PWSA has revised its demand projections for 2019. Its 2018 projections
18		were developed using data from 2014-2016. However, PWSA experienced
19		customer billing issues during 2014-2016 which resulted in demand projections
20		that were higher than actual consumption. The revised 2019 demand forecast,
21		based on 2017 consumption, is lower than previous expectations but is likely a
22		much more reasonable estimate of customer demand. This is substantiated by five
23		months of year-to-date actuals in FY 2018 (FTY), showing that PWSA has
24		experienced an overall reduction usage by residential and non-residential
25		customers compared to what was originally forecasted for FY 2018. PWSA has
26		conducted a demand analysis to evaluate this issue, and the result is that PWSA

believes that this recent reduction in usage will reflect performance in 2019 and

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beyond. Therefore, PWSA has adjusted its water and wastewater conveyance demand units to more accurately reflect anticipated year end usage and adjusted budgeted revenue downward for the FTY and future years. The new set of consumption and demand units for the FTY was then used as the basis for the units for the FPFTY.

#### IV. CALCULATION OF REVENUE REQUIREMENT

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## Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN THE BASIS ON WHICH PWSA HAS CALCULATED ITS REVENUE REQUIREMENT FOR THE FPFTY.

As noted, PWSA is not regulated on the basis of a fair rate of return on a used and useful rate base as are investor-owned utilities; instead, the Company's revenue requirement is established on the basis of the "Cash Flow Method."

All but a small portion of the calculated revenue requirement is needed simply to fund budgeted operations in the FPFTY and to offset projected lost sales volumes that PWSA believes will continue in the FPFTY and beyond. In addition, PWSA has added a small increment (\$5.7 million, \$3.7 million net) to begin to establish a cash reserve of non-borrowed cash. In addition PWSA is also proposing the establishment of a small amount that can be used to finance capital improvements on a PAYGO basis. Ms. Clupper explains why this is an important financial metric.

Beyond funding PWSA's budgeted Operating Expenses and paying debt service, it is also important that the revenue requirement produce coverage levels that exceed those minimally required by PWSA Bond Ordinance. A coverage level above that minimally required by PWSA's Bond Covenants is needed both to assure that PWSA has the cash it needs to pay its operating expenses, and also to justify PWSA's current bond rating. A related metric is year-end cash on hand.

1		Cash on hand is important both to be able to fund contingencies and to maintain
2		PWSA's credit rating. <sup>6</sup> Ms. Clupper provides more information about the
3		importance of these metrics.
4 5 6 7	Q.	PLEASE SUMMARIZE PWSA'S FINANCIAL METRICS IN THE FPFTY THAT RESULT FROM APPLYING THE REVENUE REQUIREMENT AND REVENUE PROJECTIONS THAT PWSA HAS CALCULATED AT PRESENT RATES.
8	A.	PWSA's financial results at present rates, after assuming the Operating Budget
9		and projected revenues established for the FPFTY are shown on Exhibit DML-1.
10		PWSA's debt service coverage ratios (on its senior debt) for 2018, the
1		FTY, are projected to be 1.39x, just minimally above its Bond Ordinance
12		coverage requirement of 1.25x. However, the calculation of debt service coverage
13		for the FPFTY shows a coverage of only .95, or 30 basis points below the
14		minimum level needed to avoid not satisfying the coverage covenant in its bonds.
15 16	Q.	PLEASE DISCUSS PWSA'S FPFTY CASH BALANCES AT CURRENT RATES.
17	A.	While PWSA's Days of Cash on Hand ("DCOH") in the FTY are slightly positive
18		(18.8 DCOH at year end), DCOH turns sharply negative in the FPFTY, to a
19		negative 56.8 DCOH.

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<sup>52</sup> Pa.Code § 69.2703. The Commission has also stated that, in determining just and reasonable rate levels for PWSA it would consider, among other relevant factors including, the following financial factors:

PWSA's test year-end and (as a check) projected future levels of non-borrowed year-end

Available short term borrowing capacity and internal generation of funds to fund

Debt to equity ratios and financial performance of similarly situated utility enterprises.

Level of financial performance needed to maintain or improve PWSA's bond rating thereby permitting PWSA to access the capital markets at the lowest reasonable costs to customers over time.

PWSA is addressing internally generated funds by proposing that the rate increase include a very small amount (\$1.5 million) from rates to fund capital projects.

PWSA's level of debt compared to total capitalization currently exceeds 100%.

1	Q.	DOES PWSA HAVE ACCESS TO SHORT TERM BORROWING THAT
2		IT COULD USE TO OFFSET THESE NEGATIVE CASH BALANCES?

A. As of the date of this filing, PWSA does not have an Operating Cashflow Line of
Credit or Working Capital Line of Credit for emergency needs, but PWSA is
currently researching this type of financing instrument for potential
implementation in the fall of 2018. The line would be a short-term financing
instrument and used for emergency purposes only.

PWSA does have a Line of Credit that it utilizes to bridge capital spending between revenue bonds issuances. The total amount of credit of the line is \$80 million, with approximately \$25 million available as of the date of this filing, and PWSA is currently working to expand that to a total of \$150 million by September 2018. PWSA already projects using almost \$80 million in the FTY. Moreover, PWSA cannot rely on this vehicle because it exists to be spent on capital projects, not emergency cash needs or contingences.

# Q. WHAT ARE YOUR CONCLUSIONS BASED ON THE FINANCIAL RESULTS AT PRESENT RATES FOR THE FPFTY AND THE FORECAST PERIOD?

The operating results at present rates show that it is crucially important that PWSA obtain rate relief in order to repair these financial indicators, as well as to have sufficient cash in order to prudently operate the Company at the budgeted levels. A failure to improve these results with additional revenues would almost certainly result in a bond rating downgrade, which would raise the costs of borrowing and limit PWSA's access to capital markets. Moreover, a failure to approve the level of rate relief requested would seriously threaten PWSA's ability to pay its bills when due.

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1 2 3 4	Q.	WHAT LEVEL OF RATE RELIEF DOES PWSA REQUIRE TO MAINTAIN ITS FINANCIAL INDICATORS AT THE APPROPRIATE LEVELS AND HAVE SUFFICIENT CASH TO PRUDENTLY OPERATE THE COMPANY?
5	A.	PWSA has determined that an increase of \$27.0 million would provide barely
6		sufficient additional revenues to enable it to maintain its financial metrics at
7		adequate levels and maintain its existing bond rating.
8 9 10	Q.	HAVE YOU CALCULATED PWSA'S FINANCIAL RESULTS IN THE FPFTY AS WELL AS IN THE FORECAST PERIOD IF ITS PROPOSED \$27.0 MILLION RATE INCREASE IS GRANTED?
11	A.	Yes, those results are shown on Exhibit DML-2. At \$27.0 million, PWSA would
12		have coverages on Senior Debt of 1.47 x in the FPFTY. PWSA projects that the
13		coverages in the Forecast Period would range from 1.40 to 1.47. As I indicated
14		above, coverages at this level are required to permit PWSA to have the funds it
15		needs throughout the year to satisfy all of its obligations over and above its debt
16		service. It is important to note that beginning in 2019 (FPFTY), the City's Co-op
17		payment is no longer a component of the coverage calculation per the revised
18		indenture but still remains an obligation, which reduces the liquidity margin for
19		the Authority.
20		The proposed rate increase would also produce about 25.7 DCOH, and
21		74.0 DCOH including Unrestricted and Operating Reserve Cash in 2019. While
22		positive, these are below the levels expected by the bond rating agencies for a
23		credit with PWSA's bond rating.
24 25	Q.	HOW WOULD THE RATE INCREASE AFFECT PWSA'S FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE DURING THE FORECAST PERIOD?
26	A.	In the FPFTY and in 2020, it would keep PWSA at levels less robust than it
27		experienced in the historic test year.

Q. EARLIER YOU INDICATED THAT THE PROPOSED RATE INCREASE INCLUDED THE FUNDING OF A \$5.4 MILLION "RATE STABILIZATION FUND". PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY PWSA IS MAKING THIS PROPOSAL AND HOW SUCH A FUND WOULD WORK.

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The RSF is a standard feature of municipal ratemaking. It is designed to provide Α. a cushion to a municipal utility to deal with contingencies as well as to demonstrate to the financial community that it is financially stable. Some municipal utilities (for example, the Philadelphia Water Department) have Rate Stabilization Funds ("RSF") of hundreds of millions of dollars. Such funds help to enhance the credit standing of the utility and provide an additional source of funds to pay for unforeseen circumstances. Such a fund may also become the repository of cash in excess of expenditures in any year, thereby assuring that any savings realized by the utility vis-à-vis its revenue requirement will be maintained to offset or mitigate future rate increases. PWSA proposes to establish the RSF in this way in this case. In other words, if PWSA does not realize the level of expenditure projected for the test year, but does experience the level of revenues at proposed rates it is projecting, PWSA would commit to placing all of the positive difference into the RSF. Thus, the creation of such a fund not only provides some financial security to PWSA but also provides a means of assuring that all funds collected will ultimately be used to benefit PWSA customers.

Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN PWSA'S PROPOSAL TO INCLUDE AN AMOUNT FOR "RATE FUNDED CAPITAL" ("PAYGO") IN THE RATE INCREASE.

Right now, PWSA is almost entirely reliant on long term debt in order to fund capital projects. Ideally, a utility should be able to fund some portion of its capital improvement projects from funds generated through rates. This serves to reduce the amount of debt that the utility must issue, thereby reducing financial

1		risk. It also provides a small contingency if the utility was unable to access the
2		capital market, at least for a short period. Ms. Clupper explains this in greater
3		detail. Because of the level of rate increase needed to fund projected operations,
4		PWSA is proposing a very small amount (\$1.5 million) be recovered from the
5		proposed rate increase and used for capital improvements. This will establish the
6		PAYGO concept as a goal that PWSA, working with the Commission, can
7		attempt to expand upon in the future.
8 9 10	V.	ALLOCATION OF REVENUE REQUIREMENT BETWEEN WATER AND WASTEWATER CONVEYANCE
11 12 13 14	Q.	AFTER DETERMINING THE TOTAL SYSTEM REVENUE REQUIREMENTS, HOW ARE THE WATER AND WASTEWATER CONVEYANCE UTILITY SERVICE REVENUE REQUIREMENTS DETERMINED?
15	A.	The Revenue requirements, as established in Exhibits DML-1 and DML-2, are
16		designated as water only, wastewater conveyance only, or allocated between
17		water and wastewater conveyance based on a set of allocation factors. The
18		separate water and wastewater conveyance set of revenue requirements for HTY,
19		FTY, FPFTY, and future forecast are shown in Exhibit DML-4, pages 1 and 2,
20		respectively.
21	Q.	WHAT COSTS ARE DESIGNATED AS WATER ONLY?
22	A.	Operating budgets for the water quality lab, water treatment plant, and water
23		distribution system are designated as water only costs.
24 25	Q.	WHAT COSTS ARE DESIGNATED AS WASTEWATER CONVEYANCE ONLY?
26	A.	The operating budget for sewer operations is designated as wastewater
27		conveyance only.

## Q. HOW ARE THE REMAINING COSTS ALLOCATED BETWEEN WATER AND WASTEWATER CONVEYANCE?

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The remaining costs are allocated based on a set of allocation factors. The allocation factors used in the establishment of utility service revenue requirements are shown in Exhibit DML-4, pages 4 and 5. The allocation factors are provided in summary form in Exhibit DML-4, page 4 and the descriptions are provided on page 5. These allocation factors, with the exception of the sewer to stormwater allocation factors, described in more detail below, were analyzed and updated for this analysis and are based on the calculations provided in Exhibit DML-4, page 5.

The majority of Administrative Division expenses were allocated based on the operations costs, with the exception of customer service. Under the Operations Division, most costs are allocated as 100% water or wastewater conveyance. The exceptions are environmental compliance, which has its own set of allocation factors shown in Exhibit DML-4, page 4, based on staff's determination, and warehouse, which is allocated based on operations factors. Engineering and construction is allocated based on the Construction Improvement Plan, as described in Exhibit DML-4, page 5. Existing debt is allocated by fixed assets. Proposed debt and PAYGO are allocated on the basis of the capital plan. Costs of transfers to reserves are allocated based on FPFTY rate revenue between water and wastewater conveyance.

The revenue requirement, segregated between water and wastewater conveyance in Exhibit DML-4, pages 1 and 2 were provided to PWSA witness Harold Smith who then performed a cost of service analysis for the purpose of allocating the rate increase to customer classes.

## Q. HAVE YOU IDENTIFIED THE LEVEL OF PROJECTED STORMWATER COSTS FOR THE FPFTY?

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Yes. The breakdown is presented in DML-4, page 3. This exhibit shows wastewater conveyance costs for the FPFTY by sewer only and stormwater only to illustrate the magnitude of costs associated with providing stormwater service. These costs were derived using the allocation factors provided in DML-4, pages 4 and 5. The allocation factors were applied to the total system revenue requirements in some cases and to only the wastewater conveyance costs in other cases, as shown in the allocation tables.

The allocation factors for determining stormwater costs were based on a set of allocation factors developed in 2016 as a product of a separate stormwater feasibility study. For the development of a stormwater fee, proposed during the next wastewater tariff filing, these allocation factors will be revisited and revised for accuracy. This will be discussed in greater detail in the Compliance Plan.

It is also important to note that while we have identified approximately \$30 million of stormwater related costs in the FPFTY, shown in Exhibit DML-4, page 3, this is not to suggest the level of revenue requirement for the basis of a stormwater fee would be \$30 million. The cost of service analysis would be updated at the time of a stormwater tariff filing. Additionally, the stormwater revenue requirement for the FPFTY does not include all the costs that would be necessary when a stormwater fee is implemented. For example, additional billing, customer service, and field operations labor and materials costs are anticipated for the implementation of a fee. Also, the stormwater fee would be allocated a greater share of overhead and administrative costs given the enhanced level of service.

1 2	VI.	PROPOSED RATES AND CHARGES
3	Q.	PLEASE DESCRIBE THE RATES UNDER PWSA'S PRIOR TARIFF.
4	A.	The rates under PWSA's prior tariff are contained in Exhibit JAQ-5, which can be
5		found in Volume IV of this filing. Section 3204 provides that those rates have the
6		force and effect of law, and will continue, until the effective date of a
7		Commission order approving rates in a new tariff.
8	Q.	PLEASE DESCRIBE THE RATES UNDER PWSA'S PROPOSED TARIFF.
9	A.	PWSA's proposed rates and charges are contained in Exhibit JAQ-1 (water) and
10		Exhibit JAQ-3 (wastewater), which can be found in of Volume IV of this filing.
11		Those proposed tariffs set forth all of the changes and rate increases proposed by
12		PWSA as part of this case. PWSA witness Harold Smith, utilizing the results of
13		his class cost of service study, made recommendations to PWSA for the allocation
14		of the proposed rate increase. Upon review of those recommended increases,
15		PWSA accepted those recommendations. PWSA's review indicated that Mr.
16		Smith's recommendations made a reasonable attempt to establish rates for each
17		customer class that were consistent with the class cost of service or moved toward
18		that goal in a reasonable manner.

### 19 VII. <u>CONCLUSION</u>

### 20 Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?

21 A. Yes.

# Exhibit DML-1

### Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Statement of Income - Current Rates

			<u>FY 2017</u> <i>HTY</i>		FY 2018 FTY		<u>FY 2019</u> <i>FPFTY</i>		
s	System Revenues								
1	Water Sales	\$	80,953,618	\$	97,139,741	\$	97,139,741		
2	Wastewater Sales	,	40,948,748	•	60,906,513	•	60,871,016		
3	Sale for Resale & Contract Sales		5,151,309		5,116,913		5,010,055		
4	Other Revenues		5,015,515		5,379,148		5,462,647		
5	Total: System Revenues	\$1	\$132,069,190		<del>\$168,542,316</del>		\$168,483,460		
System Revenue Requirements									
	Operating Expenses Direct Operating Expenses								
6	Executive Director	\$	2,771,316	\$	2,183,848	\$	3,347,718		
7	Customer Service	т	6,791,810	т	6,708,658	•	7,839,668		
8	Management Information Systems		2,056,224		3,948,512		3,161,584		
9	Finance		1,433,000		4,983,669		3,789,734		
10	Procurement		281,865		564,190		461,436		
11	Human Resources		955,078		1,545,155		1,582,683		
12	Legal		2,230,893		3,736,001		2,327,622		
13	Public Affairs		422,247		808,374		999,993		
14	Environmental Compliance				4,373,272		4,391,797		
15	Warehouse		1,099,174		421,862		428,061		
16	Ops Capital Assets		78,989		27,499		36,000		
17	Water Quality (Lab)		1,607,006		3,949,740		3,847,559		
18	Water Treatment Plant		14,144,593		19,994,446		20,204,262		
19	Sewer Operations		10,234,288		18,660,666		16,518,454		
20	Water Distribution		14,497,341		22,506,332		23,575,829		
21	Engineering & Construction		11,226,880		13,969,759		17,009,386		
22	Subtotal: Direct Operating Expenses	\$	69,830,704	\$	108,381,984	\$	109,521,788		
	Other Operating Expenses								
23	Loss / (Gain) on ALCOSAN Billings	\$	8,759,535	\$	3,457,699	\$	3,699,738		
24	Co-Op Agreement Op. Expenses - Water		2,075,000		4,150,000		4,150,000		
25	Co-Op Agreement Op. Expenses - Sewer		1,500,000		3,000,000		3,000,000		
26	Non-City Water Subsidy	_	5,260,476		4,800,000		4,800,000		
27	Subtotal: Other Operating Expenses	\$	17,595,011	<u>\$</u>	15,407,699	<u>\$</u>	15,649,738		
28	Total: Operating Expenses	\$	87,425,715	\$1	.23,789,683	\$1	L25,171,526		
	Debt Service								
29	Senior Debt Service	\$	47,304,178	\$	44,194,395	\$	56,955,515		
30	Subordinate Debt Service		4,125,343		4,855,310		4,855,310		
31	Revolving Line of Credit Interest	_	610,992	_	1,266,936	_	1,686,120		
32	Total: Debt Service	\$	52,040,513	\$	50,316,641	\$	63,496,946		
	Capital Expenditures & Transfers								
33	Rate Funded Capital (PAYGO)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,500,000		
34	Other Transfers to Reserves		3,144,510		2,000,000		5,700,000		
35	Reimbursements (Municipalities & Pennvest)		(793,929)		-		-		
36	Remarketing & Liquidity Charges		1,493,100		-				
37	Total: Capital Expenditures & Transfers	\$	3,843,681	\$	2,000,000	\$	7,200,000		
38 7	38 Total: Systemwide Revenue Requirements		\$143,309,909		\$176,106,324		\$195,868,472		
39 System Revenue Surplus / (Deficit)		\$(	\$(11,240,719)		\$ (7,564,008)		\$(27,385,012)		

#### Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Projected Fund Balances - Current Rates

		<u>FY 2017</u> <i>HTY</i>	FT 2018		<u>FY 2019</u> FPFTY
Operating Fund					
Beginning Balance	\$	22,736,168	\$ 11,495,449	\$	2,901,110
<u>Sources:</u> Operating Surplus/(Deficit) Budgeted Contributions	\$	(11,240,719) 3,144,510	\$ (7,564,008) 2,000,000	\$	(27,385,012) 5,700,000
<u>Uses:</u> Contributions to Rate Stabilization Fund Contributions to Operating Reserve Fund		(3,144,510)	(3,030,331)		(2,850,000) (115,154)
Ending Balance	\$	11,495,449	\$ 2,901,110	\$	(21,749,056)
Rate Stabilization Fund					
Beginning Balance <u>Sources/Uses</u>	\$	•	\$ -	\$	-
Contributions from Operating Fund Withdrawals			- -		2,850,000
Ending Balance	\$	-	\$ -	\$	2,850,000
Operating Reserve Fund					
Beginning Balance Sources:	\$	9,418,347	\$ 12,657,040	\$	15,813,942
Contributions from Operating Fund Interest Income		3,144,510 94,183	3,030,331 126,570		115,154 158,139
<u>Uses:</u> Withdrawals		-	-		-
Ending Balance	\$	12,657,040	\$ 15,813,942	\$	16,087,235
Operating Reserve Requirement		10,531,700	13,975,119		19,439,947
Combined Cash and Investments Balance					
Total Beginning Balance - Cash & Investments	\$	32,154,515	\$ 24,152,489	\$	18,715,051
Total Ending Balance - Cash & Investments	\$	24,152,489	\$ 18,715,051	\$	(2,811,822)
Total Change in Cash Fund Balances	<u>\$</u>	(8,002,026)	\$ (5,437,438)	<u>\$</u>	(21,526,873)
Capital Line of Credit (JP Morgan)					
Total Line of Credit	\$	80,000,000	\$ 150,000,000	\$	150,000,000
Beginning Available Credit		68,200,000	106,200,000		44,831,918
Used for Capital Bond Issue Amount		(32,000,000)	 (61,368,082)		(153,690,611) 156,000,000
Ending Available Credit	\$	36,200,000	\$ 44,831,918	\$	47,141,307
Days Cash on Hand (Days O&M)					
Unrestricted Cash & RSF Unrestricted and Operating Reserve Cash		53.3 112.1	8.8 56.8		(56.8) (8.4)

#### Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority <u>Debt Service Coverage - Current Rates</u>

			FY 2017 HTY	FY 2018 FTY		FY 2019 FPFTY
1 2 3	Revenues Operating Revenue ALCOSAN Collections Unrestricted Cash on Hand	\$	132,069,190 63,795,503 22,736,168	\$ 168,542,316 74,538,967 11,075,964	\$	168,483,460 79,756,694
4	Subtotal: Revenues	\$	218,600,861	\$ 254,157,246	\$	248,240,154
5 6 7 8	Current Expenses Direct Operating Expenses ALCOSAN Charges City Co-Op Agreement Payments Non-City Water Subsidy Subtotal: Current Expenses	\$  \$	(72,555,038) (3,575,000) (5,260,476)	(108,381,984) (77,996,666) (7,150,000) (4,800,000) (198,328,650)	_	(83,456,432)
	Revenues Available for Debt Service		67,379,642	55,828,597		50,461,934
11 12 13 14 15	Debt Service Existing Debt Senior Debt Subordinate Pennvest Revolver Interest Subtotal: Existing Debt	\$ 	43,347,743 4,125,343 3,956,434 610,992 52,040,513	\$  40,296,276 4,855,310 3,898,119 1,266,936 50,316,641	\$	43,326,828 4,855,310 3,904,146 1,686,120 53,772,404
16 17 18	Future Debt Senior Debt Subordinate Pennvest	\$	- - -	\$ - - -	\$	9,724,542
19	Subtotal: Future Debt	\$	<u>-</u>	\$ -	\$	9,724,542
20	Subtotal: Debt Service	\$	52,040,513	\$ 50,316,641	\$	63,496,946
21	Senior Debt Service Coverage		1.55	1.39		0.95
22	Minimum Requirement		1.25	1.25		1.25
23	Total Debt Service Coverage		1.29	1.11		0.79
24	Minimum Requirement		1.10	1.10		1.10

## Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Projected Balance Sheet - Current Rates

			FY 2017 HTY		FY 2018 FTY		<u>FY 2019</u> FPFTY
Ass	sets						
	<u>Current assets</u>						
1	Cash and cash equivalents	\$	11,076,000	\$	2,901,110	\$	(21,749,056)
	Accounts Receivable, net:						
2	Water Billed	\$	9,335,000	\$	11,634,718	\$	11,632,105
3	Unbilled	Ψ	6,760,000	Ψ	8,544,055	Ψ	8,542,136
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4	Total Water		16,095,000		20,178,773		20,174,241
	Wastewater treatment						
5	Billed		9,975,000		10,006,852		10,707,331
6	Unbilled		3,746,000		3,757,962		4,021,019
7	Total Wastewater treatment		13,721,000		13,764,813		14,728,350
8	Other Receivables		1,074,000		1,074,000		1,074,000
9	Total Accounts Receivable, net:		30,890,000		35,017,586		35,976,591
10	Prepaid Expenses		674,000		674,000		674,000
11	Inventory		3,777,000		3,777,000		3,777,000
12	Total current assets	\$	46,417,000	\$	42,369,695	\$	18,678,534
	Noncurrent assets:						
	Restricted assets:						
13	Cash and cash equivalents	\$	18,264,000	\$	18,264,000	\$	30,420,406
14	Investments		11,684,000	_	15,813,942	_	16,087,235
15	Total restricted assets		29,948,000		34,077,942		46,507,641
16	Capital assets, not being depreciated	\$	100,240,000	\$	126,337,592	\$	77,907,692
17	Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation		589,567,000		608,313,275		693,617,549
18	Total noncurrent assets	\$	719,755,000	\$	768,728,808	\$	818,032,882
19	Total Assets	\$	766,172,000	\$	811,098,503	\$	836,711,416
Def	ferred Outflows of Resources						
20	Deferred charge on refunding		110,326,000		110,326,000		110,326,000
21	Accumulated decrease in fair value of hedging derivative		3,279,000		3,279,000		3,279,000
22	Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$	113,605,000	\$	113,605,000	\$	113,605,000

#### Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Projected Balance Sheet - Current Rates

		FY 2017 HTY	FY 2018 FTY	<u>FY 2019</u> <i>FPFTY</i>
Lia	bilities			
	Current liabilities:			
23	Bonds and loans payable	\$ 24,603,000	\$ 24,554,283	\$ 24,638,846
24	Accrued payroll and related obligations	1,217,000	1,217,000	1,217,000
25	Accounts payable wastewater treatment	17,863,000	17,863,000	17,863,000
26	Accounts payable and other accrued expenses	15,506,000	24,495,422	37,171,979
27	Accounts payable from restricted assets	-	-	-
28	Accrued interest payable from restricted assets	 3,773,000	 4,855,310	4,855,310
29	Total current liabilities	\$ 62,962,000	\$ 72,985,015	\$ 85,746,135
	Noncurrent liabilities:			
30	Unearned revenue	\$ 164,000	\$ 164,000	\$ 164,000
31	Accrued payroll and related obligations	594,000	594,000	594,000
32	Swap liability	18,319,000	18,319,000	18,319,000
33	Bonds and loans payable, net	841,574,000	883,231,446	952,019,081
34	Total noncurrent assets	\$ 860,651,000	\$ 902,308,446	\$ 971,096,081
35	Total Liabilities	\$ 923,613,000	\$ 975,293,461	\$ 1,056,842,217
Ne	t Position			
36	Net investment in capital assets	\$ (29,609,000)	\$ (36,362,958)	\$ (92,298,800)
37	Restricted	13,240,000	13,240,000	13,240,000
38	Unrestricted	(27,467,000)	(27,467,000)	(27,467,000)
39	Total Net Position	\$ (43,836,000)	\$ (50,589,958)	\$ (106,525,800)

# Exhibit DML-2

#### Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Statement of Income - Proposed Rates

			FY 2017 HTY		<u>FY 2018</u> <i>FTY</i>		FY 2019 FPFTY		FY 2020 Forecast		FY 2021 Forecast		FY 2022 Forecast		FY 2023 Forecast
	System Revenues														7 07 00031
1	Water Sales	\$	80,953,618	\$	97,139,741	\$	118,524,020	\$	131,541,243	\$	146,008,356	\$	162,049,712	\$	179,865,153
2	Wastewater Sales		40,948,748		60,906,513		66,542,420		73,863,711		81,985,022		90,993,134	·	101,020,395
3	Sale for Resale & Contract Sales		5,151,309		5,116,913		5,399,869		5,735,393		6,107,204		6,515,166		6,965,664
4	Other Revenues		5,015,515		5,379,148		5,460,309		5,644,386		5,852,288		6,078,489		6,318,213
5	Total: System Revenues	\$1	32,069,190	\$1	.68,542,316	\$:	195,926,618	\$	216,784,733	\$2	239,952,871	\$2	265,636,500	\$	294,169,425
9	System Revenue Requirements														
	Operating Expenses														
	Direct Operating Expenses														
6	Executive Director	\$	2,771,316	\$	2,183,848	\$	3,347,718	\$	3,428,564	\$	3,511,577	\$	3,596,824	\$	3,684,371
7	Customer Service		6,791,810		6,708,658		7,839,668		8,072,641		8,313,319		8,561,978	·	8,818,905
8	Management Information Systems		2,056,224		3,948,512		3,161,584		3,251,525		3,344,255		3,439,866		3,538,454
9	Finance		1,433,000		4,983,669		3,789,734		3,888,984		3,991,155		4,096,343		4,204,647
10	Procurement		281,865		564,190		461,436		478,743		496,719		515,391		534,785
11	Human Resources		955,078		1,545,155		1,582,683		1,637,217		1,693,754		1,752,367		1,813,139
12	Legal		2,230,893		3,736,001		2,327,622		2,384,293		2,442,501		2,502,295		2,563,722
13	Public Affairs		422,247		808,374		999,993		1,031,726		1,064,562		1,098,541		1,133,706
14	Environmental Compliance				4,373,272		4,391,797		4,500,465		4,612,031		4,726,579		4,844,194
15	Warehouse		1,099,174		421,862		428,061		444,727		462,050		480,055		498,770
16	Ops Capital Assets		78,989		27,499		36,000		36,720		37,454		38,203		38,968
17	Water Quality (Lab)		1,607,006		3,949,740		3,847,559		3,958,761		4,073,309		4,191,305		4,312,858
18	Water Treatment Plant		14,144,593		19,994,446		20,204,262		20,800,577		21,415,607		22,049,971		22,704,309
19	Sewer Operations		10,234,288		18,660,666		16,518,454		17,035,306		17,568,688		18,119,139		18,687,217
20	Water Distribution		14,497,341		22,506,332		23,575,829		24,298,965		25,126,701		25,983,551		26,870,565
21	Engineering & Construction		11,226,880		13,969,759		17,009,386		17,483,479		17,972,208		18,476,067		
22	Subtotal: Direct Operating Expenses	<u>-</u>	69,830,704	<u> </u>	108,381,984	<u>-</u>	109,521,788	<u>-</u>		_ \$	116,125,891	\$	119,628,475	<u>-</u>	18,995,566
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	Other Operating Expenses	_	0.750.505	_	2 457 600	_	2 600 720	_	2 050 720	_	4	_			
23	Loss / (Gain) on ALCOSAN Billings	\$	8,759,535	Ş	3,457,699	\$	3,699,738	\$	3,958,720	\$	4,235,830	Ş	4,447,622	Ş	4,670,003
24	Co-Op Agreement Op. Expenses - Water		2,075,000		4,150,000		4,150,000		4,150,000		4,150,000		4,150,000		4,150,000
25	Co-Op Agreement Op. Expenses - Sewer		1,500,000		3,000,000		3,000,000		3,000,000		3,000,000		3,000,000		3,000,000
26	Non-City Water Subsidy	_	5,260,476	_	4,800,000	_	4,800,000	_	4,800,000	_	4,800,000	_	4,800,000	_	4,800,000
27	Subtotal: Other Operating Expenses	\$	17,595,011	<u>\$</u>	15,407,699	\$	15,649,738	\$	15,908,720	<u>\$</u>	16,185,830	<u>\$</u>	16,397,622	<u>\$</u>	16,620,003
28	Total: Operating Expenses	\$	87,425,715	\$1	23,789,683	<b>\$</b> 1	125,171,526	\$:	128,641,415	<b>\$</b> 1	132,311,721	\$1	136,026,097	\$	139,864,180
	Debt Service														
29	Senior Debt Service	¢	47,304,178	\$	44,194,395	\$	56,955,515	ŧ	71,766,103	\$	81,889,863	ė	101,360,829	ė	118,155,870
30	Subordinate Debt Service	Ψ.	4,125,343	*	4,855,310	*	4,855,310	*	4,855,310	7	4,855,310	*	4,855,310	7	4,855,310
31	Revolving Line of Credit Interest		610,992		1,266,936		1,686,120		1,706,184		1,822,232		1,868,197		
32	Total: Debt Service	<u> </u>	52,040,513	\$	50,316,641	<u> </u>	63,496,946	<u>-</u>	78,327,598	<u>-</u>	88,567,404	<u></u>	1,866,197	<u>-</u>	1,915,431 1 <b>24,926,611</b>
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	Capital Expenditures & Transfers														
33	Rate Funded Capital (PAYGO)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,500,000	\$	4,000,000	\$	7,000,000	\$	10,000,000	\$	15,000,000
34	Other Transfers to Reserves		3,144,510		2,000,000		5,700,000		3,500,000	-	8,500,000		6,500,000		6,500,000
35	Reimbursements (Municipalities & Pennvest)		(793,929)		-		-		-				· · · · -		•
36	Remarketing & Liquidity Charges		1,493,100		-		-		-		-		-		_
37	Total: Capital Expenditures & Transfers	\$	3,843,681	\$	2,000,000	\$	7,200,000	\$	7,500,000	<u>-</u>	15,500,000	<u>-</u>	16,500,000	<u>-</u>	21,500,000
38	Total: Systemwide Revenue Requirements	ė1	43,309,909	<u>¢</u> 1	76,106,324	Ċ	L95,868,472	•	214,469,013	•	236,379,126	•	60,610,433		286,290,791
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39 .	System Revenue Surplus / (Deficit)	\$(	(11,240,719)	\$	(7,564,008)	\$	58,146	\$	2,315,720	\$	3,573,745	\$	5,026,067	\$	7,878,633

#### Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority <u>Projected Fund Balances - Proposed Rates</u>

		FY 2017 HTY	FY 2018 FTY		<u>FY 2019</u> FPFTY		FY 2020 Forecast		FY 2021 Forecast		FY 2022 Forecast		FY 2023 Forecast
Operating Fund													
Beginning Balance	\$	22,736,168	\$ 11,495,449	\$	2,901,110	\$	5,694,102	\$	9,259,822	\$	16,583,567	\$	24,359,634
<u>Sources:</u> Operating Surplus/(Deficit) Budgeted Contributions	\$	(11,240,719) 3,144,510	\$ (7,564,008) 2,000,000	\$	58,146 5,700,000	\$	2,315,720 3,500,000	\$	3,573,745 8,500,000	\$	5,026,067 6,500,000	\$	7,878,633 6,500,000
<u>Uses:</u> Contributions to Rate Stabilization Fund Contributions to Operating Reserve Fund		- (3,144,510)	 (3,030,331)		(2,850,000) (115,154)		(1,750,000) (500,000)		(4,250,000) (500,000)		(3,250,000) (500,000)		(3,250,000) (500,000)
Ending Balance	\$	11,495,449	\$ 2,901,110	\$	5,694,102	\$	9,259,822	\$	16,583,567	\$	24,359,634	\$	34,988,267
Rate Stabilization Fund													
Beginning Balance	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	2,850,000	\$	4,600,000	\$	8,850,000	\$	12,100,000
Sources/Uses Contributions from Operating Fund Withdrawals		-	-		2,850,000		1,750,000		4,250,000		3,250,000		3,250,000
Ending Balance	\$	-	\$ 	\$	2,850,000	\$	4,600,000	\$	8,850,000	\$	12,100,000	\$	15,350,000
Operating Reserve Fund													
Beginning Balance Sources:	\$	9,418,347	\$ 12,657,040	\$	15,813,942	\$	16,087,235	\$	16,748,107	\$	17,415,588	\$	18,089,744
Contributions from Operating Fund Interest Income		3,144,510 94,183	3,030,331 126,570		115,154 158,139		500,000 160,872		500,000 167,481		500,000 174,156		500,000 180,897
<u>Uses:</u> Withdrawals		-	•		-		-		-		-		-
Ending Balance	\$	12,657,040	\$ 15,813,942	\$	16,087,235	\$	16,748,107	\$	17,415,588	\$	18,089,744	\$	18,770,641
Operating Reserve Requirement		10,531,700	13,975,119		19,439,947		19,670,254		20,248,569		20,860,287		21,479,350
Combined Cash and Investments Balance													
Total Beginning Balance - Cash & Investments	\$	32,154,515	\$ 24,152,489	\$	18,715,051	\$	24,631,337	\$	30,607,929	\$	42,849,155	\$	54,549,378
Total Ending Balance - Cash & Investments	\$	24,152,489	\$ 18,715,051	\$	24,631,337	\$	30,607,929	\$	42,849,155	\$	54,549,378	\$	69,108,909
Total Change in Cash Fund Balances	<u>\$</u>	(8,002,026)	\$ (5,437,438)	<u>\$</u>	5,916,285	<u>\$</u>	5,976,592	<u>\$</u>	12,241,226	<u>\$</u>	11,700,223	<u>\$</u>	14,559,531
Capital Line of Credit (JP Morgan)													
Total Line of Credit	\$	80,000,000	\$ 150,000,000	\$	150,000,000	\$	150,000,000	\$	150,000,000	\$	150,000,000	\$	150,000,000
Beginning Available Credit		68,200,000	106,200,000		44,831,918		47,141,307		31,913,191		27,188,056		20,743,387
Used for Capital Bond Issue Amount		(32,000,000)	(61,368,082)		(153,690,611) 156,000,000		(252,228,116) 237,000,000		(319,725,135) 315,000,000		(286,444,669) 280,000,000		(251,060,814) 250,000,000
Ending Available Credit	\$	36,200,000	\$ 44,831,918	\$	47,141,307	\$	31,913,191	\$	27,188,056	\$	20,743,387	\$	19,682,573
Days Cash on Hand (Days O&M)													
Unrestricted Cash & RSF Unrestricted and Operating Reserve Cash		53.3 112.1	8.8 56.8		25.7 74.0		40.6 89.6		72.5 122.1		101.1 151.3		135.9 186.6

## Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority <u>Debt Service Coverage - Proposed Rates</u>

		FY 2017 HTY		FY 2018 FTY		<u>FY 2019</u> FPFTY		FY 2020 Forecast		FY 2021 Forecast		FY 2022 Forecast		FY 2023 Forecast
Revenues  1 Operating Revenue  2 ALCOSAN Collections  3 Unrestricted Cash on Hand	\$	132,069,190 63,795,503 22,736,168	\$	168,542,316 74,538,967 11,075,964	\$	195,926,618 79,756,694 -	\$	216,784,733 85,339,663	\$	239,952,871 91,313,439 -	\$	265,636,500 95,879,111 -	\$	294,169,425 100,673,067 -
4 Subtotal: Revenues	\$	218,600,861	\$	254,157,246	\$	275,683,312	\$	302,124,396	\$	331,266,310	\$	361,515,611	\$	394,842,491
Current Expenses  Direct Operating Expenses  ALCOSAN Charges  City Co-Op Agreement Payments	\$	(69,830,704) (72,555,038) (3,575,000)	\$	(108,381,984) (77,996,666) (7,150,000)	\$	(83,456,432)	\$	(112,732,695) (89,298,383)	\$	(116,125,891) (95,549,270)	\$	(119,628,475) (100,326,733)	\$	(123,244,177) (105,343,070)
8 Non-City Water Subsidy	_	(5,260,476)	_	(4,800,000)	_	(4,800,000)	_	(4,800,000)	_	(4,800,000)	_	(4,800,000)	_	(4,800,000)
9 Subtotal: Current Expenses	\$	(151,221,218)	\$	(198,328,650)	\$	(197,778,220)	\$	(206,831,078)	\$	(216,475,160)	\$	(224,755,208)	\$	(233,387,247)
10 Revenues Available for Debt Service	\$	67,379,642	\$	55,828,597	\$	77,905,092	\$	95,293,318	\$	114,791,149	\$	136,760,403	\$	161,455,245
Debt Service Existing Debt  Senior Debt Subordinate Pennvest Revolver Interest	\$	43,347,743 4,125,343 3,956,434 610,992	\$	40,296,276 4,855,310 3,898,119 1,266,936	\$	43,326,828 4,855,310 3,904,146 1,686,120	\$	43,379,746 4,855,310 3,904,141 1,706,184	\$	43,163,160 4,855,310 3,895,146 1,822,232	\$	43,121,828 4,855,310 3,864,239 1,868,197	\$	43,197,328 4,855,310 3,171,639 1,915,431
15 Subtotal: Existing Debt	\$	52,040,513	\$	50,316,641	\$	53,772,404	\$	53,845,381	\$	53,735,847	\$	53,709,574	\$	53,139,708
Future Debt 16 Senior Debt 17 Subordinate 18 Pennvest	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	9,724,542 - -	\$	24,482,217 - -	\$	34,831,557 - -	\$	54,374,762 - -	\$	71,786,904 - -
19 Subtotal: Future Debt	\$	-	\$	-	\$	9,724,542	\$	24,482,217	\$	34,831,557	\$	54,374,762	\$	71,786,904
20 Subtotal: Debt Service	\$	52,040,513	\$	50,316,641	\$	63,496,946	\$	78,327,598	\$	88,567,404	\$	108,084,336	\$	124,926,611
21 Senior Debt Service Coverage		1.55		1.39		1.47		1.40		1.47		1.40		1.40
22 Minimum Requirement		1.25		1.25		1.25		1.25		1.25		1.25		1.25
23 Total Debt Service Coverage		1.29		1.11		1.23		1.22		1.30		1.27		1.29
24 Minimum Requirement		1.10		1.10		1.10		1.10		1.10		1.10		1.10

#### Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority <u>Projected Balance Sheet - Proposed Rates</u>

		FY 2017 HTY		FY 2018 FTY		FY 2019 FPFTY		FY 2020 Forecast		FY 2021 Forecast		FY 2022 Forecast		FY 2023 Forecast
Assets														
Current assets  Cash and cash equivalents  Accounts Receivable, net:  Water	\$	11,076,000	\$	2,901,110	\$	5,694,102	\$	9,259,822	\$	16,583,567	\$	24,359,634	\$	34,988,267
2 Billed 3 Unbilled	\$	9,335,000 6,760,000	\$	11,634,718 8,544,055	\$ 	13,623,834 10,004,779	\$	15,121,072 11,104,288	<b>\$</b>	16,783,939 12,325,429	\$	18,627,978 13,679,615	\$	20,677,644 15,184,804
4 Total Water		16,095,000		20,178,773		23,628,612		26,225,360		29,109,368		32,307,593		35,862, <del>44</del> 8
Wastewater treatment  5 Billed  6 Unbilled		9,975,000 3,746,000		10,006,852 3,757,962		10,707,331 4,021,019	_	11,456,844 4,302,490	_	12,258,824 4,603,664		12,871,765 4,833,848	_	13,515,353 5,075,540
7 Total Wastewater treatment		13,721,000		13,764,813		14,728,350		15,759,335		16,862,488		17,705,612		18,590,893
8 Other Receivables		1,074,000		1,074,000		1,074,000		1,074,000		1,074,000		1,074,000		1,074,000
9 Total Accounts Receivable, net:		30,890,000		35,017,586		39,430,962		43,058,694		47,045,856		51,087,206		55,527,341
<ul><li>10 Prepaid Expenses</li><li>11 Inventory</li></ul>		674,000 3,777,000		674,000 3,777,000		674,000 3,777,000		674,000 3,777,000		674,000 3,777,000		674,000 3,777,000		674,000 3,777,000
12 Total current assets	\$	46,417,000	\$	42,369,695	\$	49,576,064	\$	56,769,517	\$	68,080,423	\$	79,897,840	\$	94,966,609
Noncurrent assets: Restricted assets: 13 Cash and cash equivalents 14 Investments	\$	18,264,000 11,684,000	\$	18,264,000 15,813,942	\$	30,420,406 16,087,235	\$	48,871,656 16,748,107	\$	73,410,156 17,415,588	\$	95,222,156 18,089,744	\$	114,697,156 18,770,641
15 Total restricted assets	-	29,948,000	_	34,077,942		46,507,641	_	65,619,763	_	90,825,744		113,311,900	_	133,467,798
16 Capital assets, not being depreciated 17 Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	\$	100,240,000 589,567,000	\$	126,337,592 608,313,275	\$	77,907,692 693,617,549	\$	106,159,080 900,385,837	\$	167,512,066 1,141,391,055	\$	161,263,569 1,414,838,100	\$	80,631,784 1,718,700,718
18 Total noncurrent assets	\$	719,755,000	\$	768,728,808	\$	818,032,882	\$	1,072,164,680	\$	1,399,728,866	\$	1,689,413,569	\$	1,932,800,300
19 Total Assets	\$	766,172,000	\$	811,098,503	\$	867,608,946	\$	1,128,934,197	\$	1,467,809,289	\$	1,769,311,409	\$	2,027,766,909
Deferred Outflows of Resources Deferred charge on refunding Accumulated decrease in fair value of hedging derivative Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>-</u>	110,326,000 3,279,000 113,605,000	<u>+</u>	110,326,000 3,279,000 113,605,000	<u>-</u>	110,326,000 3,279,000 113,605,000	<u>-</u>	110,326,000 3,279,000 113,605,000		110,326,000 3,279,000 113,605,000	_	110,326,000 3,279,000 113,605,000	<u>-</u>	110,326,000 3,279,000 113,605,000
LL TOTAL DETELLED CALLOWS OF RESOURCES	7	113,003,000	₽	113,003,000	4	113,003,000	7	113,003,000	7	113,003,000	7	113,003,000	7	113,003,000

#### Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Projected Balance Sheet - Proposed Rates

		<u>FY 2017</u> HTY		<u>FY 2018</u> <i>FTY</i>		<u>FY 2019</u> <i>FPFTY</i>		FY 2020 Forecast		FY 2021 Forecast	FY 2022 Forecast	FY 2023 Forecast
Liabilities		,,,,		,,,		,,,,,		rorcasi		Torccase	70700031	rorccast
Current liabilities:												
23 Bonds and loans payable	\$	24,603,000	\$	24,554,283	\$	24,638,846	\$		\$	33,771,915	\$ 39,678,524	\$ 44,864,080
24 Accrued payroll and related obligations		1,217,000		1,217,000		1,217,000		1,217,000		1,217,000	1,217,000	1,217,000
25 Accounts payable wastewater treatment		17,863,000		17,863,000		17,863,000		17,863,000		17,863,000	17,863,000	17,863,000
26 Accounts payable and other accrued expenses		15,506,000		24,495,422		37,171,979		47,861,473		52,973,257	66,537,615	78,147,100
27 Accounts payable from restricted assets		. ===		4.055.340		4 055 340		4.055.240		4.055.340	4.055.340	4 055 040
28 Accrued interest payable from restricted assets	_	3,773,000	_	4,855,310	_	4,855,310	_	4,855,310	_	4,855,310	 4,855,310	 4,855,310
29 Total current liabilities	\$	62,962,000	\$	72,985,015	\$	85,746,135	\$	100,556,723	\$	110,680,483	\$ 130,151,449	\$ 146,946,490
Noncurrent liabilities:												
30 Unearned revenue	\$	164,000	\$	164,000	\$	164,000	\$	164,000	\$	164,000	\$ 164,000	\$ 164,000
31 Accrued payroll and related obligations		594,000		594,000		594,000		594,000		594,000	594,000	594,000
32 Swap liability		18,319,000		18,319,000		18,319,000		18,319,000		18,319,000	18,319,000	18,319,000
33 Bonds and loans payable, net		841,574,000		883,231,446		952,019,081		1,161,375,235		1,443,505,987	1,684,906,492	 1,890,635,021
34 Total noncurrent assets	\$	860,651,000	\$	902,308,446	\$	971,096,081	\$	1,180,452,235	\$	1,462,582,987	\$ 1,703,983,492	\$ 1,909,712,021
35 <i>Total Liabilities</i>	\$	923,613,000	\$	975,293,461	\$	1,056,842,217	\$	1,281,008,959	\$	1,573,263,470	\$ 1,834,134,941	\$ 2,056,658,511
Net Position												
36 Net investment in capital assets	\$	(29,609,000)	\$	(36,362,958)	\$	(61,401,270)	\$	(24,242,761)	\$	22,377,819	\$ 63,008,468	\$ 98,940,398
37 Restricted		13,240,000		13,240,000		13,240,000		13,240,000		13,240,000	13,240,000	13,240,000
38 Unrestricted		(27,467,000)	_	(27,467,000)		(27,467,000)	_	(27,467,000)		(27,467,000)	(27,467,000)	 (27,467,000)
39 Total Net Position	<del>-</del>	(43,836,000)	\$	(50,589,958)	\$	(75,628,270)	\$	(38,469,761)	\$	8,150,819	\$ 48,781,468	\$ 84,713,398

# Exhibit DML-3

## Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Operating Budget Summary

#### 2019 BUDGET

	Department	
Department Name	Number	Total
Executive Director	910	\$ 3,347,718
Customer Service	911	\$ 7,839,668
MIS	912	\$ 3,161,584
Finance	913	\$ 3,789,734
Procurement	914	\$ 461,436
Human Resources	915	\$ 1,582,683
Legal	916	\$ 2,327,622
External Affairs	921	\$ 999,993
Ops Executive	922	\$ -
Admin General	900	\$ 36,000
Warehouse	918	\$ 428,061
Water Quality (Lab)	321	\$ 3,847,559
Water Treatment Plant	322	\$ 20,204,262
Water Distribution	325	\$ 23,575,829
Sewer Operations	424	\$ 16,518,454
Engineering & Construction	930	\$ 17,009,386
Environmental Compliance	999	\$ 4,391,797
Total		\$ 109,521,788

#### 2018 FORECAST

	Department	
Department Name	Number	Total
Executive Director	910	\$ 2,183,848
Customer Service	911	\$ 6,708,658
MIS	912	\$ 3,948,512
Finance	913	\$ 4,983,669
Procurement	914	\$ 564,190
Human Resources	915	\$ 1,545,155
Legal	916	\$ 3,736,001
External Affairs	921	\$ 808,374
Ops Executive	922	\$ -
Admin General	900	\$ 27,499
Warehouse	918	\$ 421,862
Water Quality (Lab)	321	\$ 3,949,740
Water Treatment Plant	322	\$ 19,994,446
Water Distribution	325	\$ 22,506,332
Sewer Operations	424	\$ 18,660,666
Engineering & Construction	930	\$ 13,969,759
Environmental Compliance	999	\$ 4,373,272
Total		\$ 108,381,984

#### 2017 ACTUALS

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	Department	
Department Name	Number	Total
Executive Director	910	\$ 2,771,316
Customer Service	911	\$ 6,791,810
MIS	912	\$ 2,056,224
Finance	913	\$ 1,433,000
Procurement	914	\$ 281,865
Human Resources	915	\$ 955,078
Legal	916	\$ 2,230,893
External Affairs	921	\$ 422,247
Ops Executive	922	\$ -
Admin General	900	\$ 78,989
Warehouse	918	\$ 1,099,174
Water Quality (Lab)	321	\$ 1,607,006
Water Treatment Plant	322	\$ 14,144,593
Water Distribution	325	\$ 14,497,341
Sewer Operations	424	\$ 10,234,288
Engineering & Construction	930	\$ 11,226,880
Environmental Compliance	999	\$ -
Total		\$ 69,830,704

### Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Operating Budget Summary

2019 BUDGET

				(	Chemicals															
	Department			Į	Materiais			(	Operating		Repair &					P	rofessional			
Department Name	Number		Labor		Inventory	E	quipment	-	Contracts	М	aintenance		Testing		Admin		Services	Utilities		Total
Executive Director	910	\$	671,457	\$	-	\$	•	\$	-	\$	46,200	\$	-	\$	899,831	\$	1,727,830	\$ 2,400	\$	3,347,718
Customer Service	911	\$	3,801,476	\$	-	\$	-	\$	15,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,520,320	\$	2,496,752	\$ 6,120	\$	7,839,668
MIS	912	\$	939,232	\$	-	\$	100,000	\$	-	\$	692,547	\$	-	\$	176,000	\$	1,086,100	\$ 167,705	\$	3,161,584
Finance	913	\$	1,161,963	\$	•	\$	21,600	\$	-	\$	•	\$	-	\$	330,989	\$	2,272,662	\$ 2,520	\$	3,789,734
Procurement	914	\$	403,906	\$	-	\$		\$	•	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5,530	\$	52,000	\$	\$	461,436
Human Resources	915	\$	1,121,849	\$	-	\$	44,400	\$	-	\$	-	\$		\$	83,184	\$	328,750	\$ 4,500	\$	1,582,683
Legai	916	\$	505,903	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$		\$	421,199	\$	1,398,000	\$ 2,520	\$	2,327,622
External Affairs	921	\$	580,903	\$	-	\$	11,500	\$		\$		\$		\$	116,090	\$	285,500	\$ 6,000	\$	999,993
Ops Executive	922	\$	-	\$	-	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$		\$	-	\$	\$	· -
Admin General	900	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$		\$		\$	-	\$	36,000	\$	-	\$	\$	36,000
Warehouse	918	\$	400,883	\$	6,655	\$	3,290	\$	-	\$	5,425	\$	-	\$	10,008	\$	-	\$ 1,800	\$	428,061
Water Quality (Lab)	321	\$	465,793	\$	-	\$	366,441	\$		\$	97,100	\$	2,030,004	\$	119,710	\$	767,671	\$ 840	\$	3,847,559
Water Treatment Plant	322	\$	5,110,378	\$	5,273,861	\$	899,823	\$	1,815,800	\$	1,164,000	\$	-	\$	366,200	\$	174,200	\$ 5,400,000	\$	20,204,262
Water Distribution	325	\$	11,087,425	\$	1,772,300	\$	2,470,000	\$	3,924,204	\$	3,894,300	\$	-	\$	170,600	\$	203,000	\$ 54,000	\$	23,575,829
Sewer Operations	424	\$	2,988,072	\$	710,730	\$	1,033,900	\$	9,521,952	\$	1,777,800	\$	-	\$	64,000	\$	350,000	\$ 72,000	\$	16,518,454
Engineering & Construction	930	\$	5,689,002	\$		\$	47,100	\$	1,505,111	\$	460,260	\$	-	\$	346,924	\$	8,933,990	\$ 27,000	\$	17,009,386
Environmental Compliance	999	\$	498,032	\$	-	\$	81,100	\$	480,000	\$	526,050	\$		\$	78,735	\$	2,678,200	\$ 49,680	\$	4,391,797
Total		-\$	35,426,274	\$	7,763,546	\$	5,079,154	\$	17,262,067	Š	8,663,682	Š	2,030,004	s	4,745,321	s	22,754,655	\$ 5,797,085	Š	109,521,788

							20	18 FORECAS	ST.							
			-	Chemicals												
	Department			Materials				Operating		Repair &			P	rofessional		
Department Name	Number	Labor		inventory	E	quipment		Contracts	М	aintenance	Testing	Admin		Services	Utilities	 Total
Executive Director	910	\$ 379,694	\$	-	\$	3,000	\$	-	\$	126,200	\$ -	\$ 836,345	\$	835,009	\$ 3,600	\$ 2,183,848
Customer Service	911	\$ 3,145,578	\$	-	\$	22,000	\$	232,470	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 1,158,792	\$	2,144,419	\$ 5,400	\$ 6,708,658
MIS	912	\$ 799,330	\$		\$	668,050	\$	-	\$	498,792	\$ -	\$ 203,400	\$	1,634,160	\$ 144,780	\$ 3,948,512
Finance	913	\$ 993,580	\$	-	\$	18,100	\$	-	\$	-	\$ •	\$ 335,718	\$	3,634,060	\$ 2,210	\$ 4,983,669
Procurement	914	\$ 391,228	\$	-	\$	8,000	\$		\$	•	\$ -	\$ 12,962	\$	152,000	\$ -	\$ 564,190
Human Resources	915	\$ 1,020,401	\$	-	\$	44,320	\$	-	\$	•	\$	\$ 81,084	\$	395,750	\$ 3,600	\$ 1,545,155
Legal	916	\$ 464,980	\$	•	\$	5,400	\$		\$	•	\$ -	\$ 414,221	\$	2,849,000	\$ 2,400	\$ 3,736,001
External Affairs	921	\$ 492,664	\$	-	\$	4,000	\$		\$	-	\$ -	\$ 114,350	\$	193,800	\$ 3,560	\$ 808,374
Ops Executive	922	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -
Admın General	900	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$		\$	•	\$ -	\$ 27,499	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 27,499
Warehouse	918	\$ 381,905	\$	7,680	\$	23,650	\$	1,480	\$	1,575	\$ •	\$ 3,784	\$	-	\$ 1,788	\$ 421,862
Water Quality (Lab)	321	\$ 393,878	\$	-	\$	413,580	\$		\$	89,700	\$ 2,177,501	\$ 139,525	\$	734,404	\$ 1,152	\$ 3,949,740
Water Treatment Plant	322	\$ 4,186,610	\$	5,779,256	\$	452,364	\$	2,615,400	\$	1,498,616	\$ -	\$ 300,100	\$	164,400	\$ 4,997,700	\$ 19,994,446
Water Distribution	325	\$ 10,584,939	\$	2,764,318	\$	149,900	\$	5,171,926	\$	3,566,200	\$ -	\$ 36,650	\$	196,400	\$ 36,000	\$ 22,506,332
Sewer Operations	424	\$ 2,984,790	\$	502,213	\$	110,600	\$	13,182,033	\$	1,443,130	\$ •	\$ 24,500	\$	353,400	\$ 60,000	\$ 18,660,666
Engineering & Construction	930	\$ 3,999,307	\$	-	\$	366,439	\$	330,000	\$	348,029	\$ -	\$ 333,881	\$	8,586,978	\$ 5,125	\$ 13,969,759
Environmental Compliance	999	\$ 360,489	\$	-	\$	34,052	\$	204,000	\$	526,050	\$ 108,000	\$ 31,381	\$	3,109,300	\$ -	\$ 4,373,272
Total		\$ 30,579,371	\$	9,053,466	\$	2,323,456	\$	21,737,309	\$	8,098,292	\$ 2,285,501	\$ 4,054,193	\$	24,983,080	\$ 5,267,315	\$ 108,381,984

							20	17 ACTUALS	3						 	
			•	Chemicals									-			
	Department			Materials			•	Operating		Repair &			P	rofessional		
Department Name	Number	Labor		Inventory	E	quipment		Contracts	M	aintenance	Testing	Admin		Services	Utilities	Total
Executive Director	910	\$ 127,630	\$	-	\$	2,901	\$	-	\$	8,284	\$ -	\$ 1,556,171	\$	1,073,167	\$ 3,163	\$ 2,771,316
Customer Service	911	\$ 2,305,052	\$	-	\$	242,547	\$	1,322,264	\$	-	\$ •	\$ 1,052,656	\$	1,823,247	\$ 46,044	\$ 6,791,810
MIS	912	\$ 367,829	\$		\$	336,882	\$	75,329	\$	717,979	\$ -	\$ 133,084	\$	243,631	\$ 181,490	\$ 2,056,224
Finance	913	\$ 452,386	\$	-	\$	-	\$		\$	•	\$	\$ 304,989	\$	674,845	\$ 780	\$ 1,433,000
Procurement	914	\$ 204,618	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 13,380	\$	63,867	\$ -	\$ 281,865
Human Resources	915	\$ 852,279	\$		\$	1,488	\$	2,138	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 5,002	\$	92,325	\$ 1,846	\$ 955,078
Legal	916	\$ 220,146	\$		\$	519	\$	-	\$	•	\$ -	\$ 231,600	\$	1,777,103	\$ 1,525	\$ 2,230,893
External Affairs	921	\$ 318,294	\$	•	\$	4,610	\$	10,795	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 36,708	\$	48,925	\$ 2,915	\$ 422,247
Ops Executive	922	\$ -	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -
Admin General	900	\$ -	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$		\$ -	\$ 78,989	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 78,989
Warehouse	918	\$ 373,256	\$	620,200	\$	-	\$	•	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 104,590	\$	-	\$ 1,128	\$ 1,099,174
Water Quality (Lab)	321	\$ 510,721	\$	•	\$	19,626	\$	25,192	\$	20,937	\$ 847,118	\$ 95,656	\$	86,433	\$ 1,323	\$ 1,607,006
Water Treatment Plant	322	\$ 3,413,413	\$	3,970,586	\$	78,609	\$	770,544	\$	507,581	\$ -	\$ 295,017	\$	79,340	\$ 5,029,503	\$ 14,144,593
Water Distribution	325	\$ 7,367,574	\$	815,336	\$	585,464	\$	2,601,354	\$	2,741,321	\$ •	\$ 266,883	\$	82,152	\$ 37,257	\$ 14,497,341
Sewer Operations	424	\$ 2,972,610	\$	258,967	\$	100,712	\$	5,217,795	\$	1,495,546	\$ 92	\$ 27,115	\$	117,493	\$ 43,958	\$ 10,234,288
Engineering & Construction	930	\$ 2,025,234	\$	-	\$	58,790	\$	815,373	\$	282,667	\$ -	\$ 85,030	\$	7,957,585	\$ 2,201	\$ 11,226,880
Environmental Compliance	999	\$ -	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ •	\$	-	\$ 	\$ 
Total		\$ 21.511.042	\$	5,665,089	s	1,432,148	s	10,840,784	\$	5,774,315	\$ 847,210	\$ 4,286,870	\$	14,120,113	\$ 5,353,133	\$ 69,830,704

	Description	Primary Budget Items	Primary driver of increase/ (decrease) from FY 2017 to FY 2018	Primary driver of increase/ (decrease) from FY 2018 to FY 2019	Driver of Overall increase in RevReq from FY 2017 to FY 2018	Driver of Overall increase in RevReq from FY 2018 to FY 2019
Direct Operating Expenses						1
Administrative Division						
Executive Director	Provide strategic vision and manage the overall utility	Salaries/Benefits, Main office lease (Penn Ave), PUC annual allocation (new)	Decrease: fines/penalties paid in 2017	Increase: newly budgeted PUC regulatory expense (annual allocation)		x
Customer Service	Engage customers for all questions and handle all billing activities	Salaries/Benefits, billing and metering analysis contracts, and AMI infrastructure	Increase: added positions for PUC Compliance and added administrative services for affordability program	Increase: Added positions for PUC Compliance		x
Management Information Systems	Provide internally all hardware and software needs and technical support	Salaries/Benefits, hardware and software costs, and third party contracts for specialized support	Increase: Budgeted positions in 2017 were delayed being filled, cybersecurity upgrade, new phone system	Increase: 3 new positions		
Finance	Develop annual budgets, conduct and maintain accurate accounting and payroll, and provide a strategic financing plan for funding capital projects	Salaries/Benefits and professional services contracts for financial consultants	Increase: \$1 million in bond issuance cost, financial consultants for PUC tariff and compliance plan filing	Decrease: No bond issuance cost and reduction of financial consulting services		
Procurement	Manage the purchasing and contractual process for engaging outside vendors	Salaries/Benefits	Increase: added positions, consultants for outsourcing project	Decrease: Reduction of consulting services		,
Human Resources	Hire and provide onboarding for new employees and provide employee support for questions or concerns	professional services contracts	Increase: added positions and increased recruitment budget	Minor change: added 1 more staff but reduced recruitment budget		
Legal	Provide internal legal support for the interpretation of rules and regulations	Salaries/Benefits and for outside legal counsel for ongoing operation and for PUC filing legal counsel	for PUC filings	Decrease: reduced budgeted outside legal counsel		
Public Affairs	Coordinate all external communication, including press releases, website, and community communications	Salaries/Benefits and materials for communications	Increase: Staff and consulting services for government relations and webpage redesign	Increase: consulting services for government relations, compliance, and public relations support		

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Operations Division						
	Ensures compliance with	Salaries/Benefits, professional	New department in 2018	Minor change; increase in		
·	regulatory agencies, including	services contracts for	·	wage/benefit cost of existing	X	
	EPA and DEP	maintaining MS4 and NDPES		staff	^	
		permits		Batteria de Caración de Caraci		
Warehouse	Maintain and monitor inventory for water and sewer field	Salaries/Benefits and miscellaneous equipment	Decrease: reduced budgeted inventory items	Minor change; increase in wage/benefit cost of existing		
	operations	tinoonanowaa cajaipinotti	myencory kema	staff		
Ops Capital Assets	Cost Category still exists for one	Shipping costs				
	primary function of unforeseen					
	shipping costs					
Water Quality (Lab)	Regulatory and process control; sampling and analysis of drinking	Salaries/benefits and CWM	Increase: consulting contract for CWM services	Decrease: minor reducting in budgeted testing costs and		
	water	services	#CANIAI ZELAICE2	equipment		
Water Treatment Plant		Salaries/Benefits, chemicals,	Increase: new staff positions,	Increase: New positions but		
	quality potable water into the	electricity and operating	chemical cost, operating	reduced operating contracts,	X	
	water distribution system	contracts for pumps and motors	contracts	increase in electricity	^	
Sewer Operations	Repair and maintain the	Salarles/Benefits, operating	increase: catch basin cleaning	Decrease: reduced anticloated		
Sewer Operations	collection system, including	contracts and repairs supplies	and repair, ops contracts related	•		
	catch basins and manholes	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	to cleaning and televising of lines	- '	x	
			and manhole point location,		^	
			inspection, and repair			
Water Distribution	Repair and maintain the	Salaries/Benefits, operating	Increase: \$3 million in new	Increase; a few new positions,		
	distribution system, including	contracts and repairs supplies	budgeted positions to ramp up	and significant replacement/		
	water mains, laterals, meters,		• •	addition to fleet		
	and valves		in emergency line repair contract		X	
			and inspection, and increase in meters purchased			
				,		,
Engineering & Construction Division	Discrime and assemble of	Calcular (Con alike annuality -	Incorporate Adaland staff annual con-	formance trided staff a critical		
Engineering & Construction	Planning and oversight of major capital projects included in	Salaries/Benefits, consulting contracts	Increase: Added staff positions to ramp up capital spend to	Increase: Added staff positions to ramp up capital spend to meet		
	PWSA's CIP		meet new targets,	new targets, increased field		
			<del>-</del> ·	inspections, increased consulting		X
				budgets		

	Description	Primary Budget Items	Primary driver of increase/ (decrease) from FY 2017 to FY 2018	Primary driver of increase/ (decrease) from FY 2018 to FY 2019	Driver of Overall increase in RevReq from FY 2017 to FY 2018	Oriver of Overall Increase in RevReg from FY 2018 to FY 2019
Other Operating Expenses						
Loss / (Gain) on ALCOSAN Billings	Budgeted cost of uncollectibles on ALCOSAN pass through charges	W. Market and Co.	Decrease: large adjustments in FY 2017 resulted in more paid than expected in HTY than budget.	Increase: Minor increase to reflect budgeted increase in rates		
Co-Op Agreement Op. Expenses - Water	Payment to the City for shared services (Water utility responsibility)		Decrease: Authority paid only 1/2 of the full year payment in FY 2017	Increase: Budget full payment in FY 2019		
Co-Op Agreement Op. Expenses - Sewer	Payment to the City for shared services (Sewer utility responsibility)		Decrease: Authority paid only 1/2 of the full year payment in FY 2017	Increase: Budget full payment in FY 2019		
Non-City Water Subsidy	City agreement for payment to Pennsylvania American Water (PAWC) to subsidize customer water rates served by PAWC but within City service area		Decrease: with increase in PWSA rates, the resulting subsidy is reduced.	No Change		
Affordability Program	Any additional affordability program costs not captured in department budgets		No budgeted dollars	No budgeted dollars		
Debt Service						
Existing Debt					*	
Senior Debt Service	Total annual payment for outstanding senior lien debt	,	Decrease: Less annual payment in FY 2018 as a result of refunding	Increase: FY 2019 reflects full payment		
Subordinate Debt Service	Total annual payment for outstanding subordinate lien debt		Increase: minor increase in debt based on payment schedules	No Change		
Subtotal: Existing Debt						
Proposed Debt						
Revolving Line of Credit Interest	Interest cost for funds from the capital revolving line of credit		Increase: More money drawn from revolver	Increase: More money drawn from revolver		
Revenue Bonds	Total annual payment for proposed senior lien debt for new money			Increase: New money in FY 2019 resulting in additional debt service payments.		x
SRF Loans	Total annual payment for proposed subordinate lien debt for new money		No budgeted dollars	No budgeted dollars		

	Description	Primary Budget Items	Primary driver of increase/ (decrease) from FY 2017 to FY 2018	Primary driver of increase/ (decrease) from FY 2018 to FY 2019	Driver of Overall increase in RevReq from FY 2017 to FY 2018	Driver of Overall increase in RevReq from FY 2018 to FY 201
pital Expenditures & Transfers						
Rate Funded Capital (PAYGO)	Pay-as-you-go capital, which is funding for capital projects out of annual rate revenues (not financed)		No change	Increase: ramping up rate funded capital spending		
DISC Deposit Other Transfers to Reserves	No longer applicable Contribution to PWSA reserve funds for improving days cash on hand or for rate stabilization fund		Decrease: reduced budgeted transfer to reserves in FY 2018	No budgeted dollars increase: ramping up reserve fund levels to meet financial targets		x
Reimbursements (Municipalities & Pennvest)	Reimbursements from agreements with Pennvest and neighboring Municipalities					
Remarketing & Liquidity Charges	Annual expenses related to SWAP agreements		Only minor change	No change		
Bad Debt Expense	Expense of uncollectibles; in our approach, rather than showing an expense, we applied a 'collection factor' to anticipated operating revenue (user charge revenue) that accounted for 4.43% of revenue uncollected as a result of customers not paying their bills		No budgeted dollars: reflected in revenue calculation	No budgeted dollars: reflected in revenue calculation		

# Exhibit DML-4

#### Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Revenue Requirements by Utility

Water		FY 2017 Actual		FY 2018 FTY		<u>FY 2019</u> <i>FPFTY</i>		FY 2020 Forecast		FY 2021 Forecast		FY 2022 Forecast		FY 2023 Forecast
<u>Operating Expenses</u> <i>Direct Operating Expenses</i> Administrative Division														
Executive Director Customer Service Management Information Systems Finance Procurement	\$	1,987,831 2,987,202 1,474,904 1,027,874 202,178	\$	1,566,448 2,942,329 2,832,220 3,574,724 404,687	\$	2,401,277 3,468,914 2,267,765 2,718,330 330,982	\$	2,459,267 3,571,025 2,332,279 2,789,521 343,396	\$	2,518,811 3,676,488 2,398,793 2,862,807 356,290	\$	2,579,958 3,785,420 2,467,374 2,938,257 369,683	\$	2,642,754 3,897,946 2,538,090 3,015,942 383,595
Human Resources Legal Public Affairs		685,066 1,600,192 302,873		1,108,321 2,679,788 579,837		1,135,239 1,669,575 717,283		1,174,356 1,710,224 740,044		1,214,909 1,751,976 763,597		1,256,952 1,794,866 787,970		1,300,542 1,838,927 813,194
Operations Division Environmental Compliance Ops Capital Assets Warehouse Water Treatment Plant Water Quality (Lab)		56,658 788,424 14,144,593 1,607,006		1,530,645 19,725 302,596 19,994,446 3,949,740		1,537,129 25,822 307,043 20,204,262 3,847,559		1,575,163 26,339 318,997 20,800,577 3,958,761		1,614,211 26,866 331,423 21,415,607 4,073,309		1,654,303 27,403 344,338 22,049,971 4,191,305		1,695,468 27,951 357,762 22,704,309 4,312,858
Water Distribution Sewer Operations		14,497,341 -		22,506,332		23,575,829 -		24,298,965 -		25,126,701 -		25,983,551 -		26,870,565 -
Engineering & Construction Division Engineering & Construction	_	7,818,667		9,728,874		11,845,743		12,175,912		12,516,275	_	12,867,174	_	13,228,966
Subtotal: Direct Operating Expenses	\$	49,180,809	\$	73,720,710	\$	76,052,754	\$	78,274,828	\$	80,648,062	\$	83,098,523	\$	85,628,868
Other Operating Expenses  Loss / (Gain) on ALCOSAN Billings  Co-Op Agreement Op. Expenses - Water  Co-Op Agreement Op. Expenses - Sewer	\$	- 2,075,000 -	\$	- 4,150,000 -	\$	- 4,150,000 -	\$	4,150,000	\$	- 4,150,000 -	\$	- 4,150,000 -	\$	- 4,150,000 -
Non-City Water Subsidy		5,260,476		4,800,000		4,800,000		4,800,000		4,800,000		4,800,000		4,800,000
Subtotal: Other Operating Expenses	\$	7,335,476	\$	8,950,000	\$	8,950,000	\$	8,950,000	\$	8,950,000	\$	8,950,000	\$	8,950,000
Subtotal: Operating Expenses	\$	56,516,285	\$	82,670,710	\$	85,002,754	\$	87,224,828	\$	89,598,062	\$	92,048,523	\$	94,578,868
<u>Debt Service</u> Existing Debt  Senior Debt Service Subordinate Debt Service	\$	25,713,092 2,242,409	\$	24,022,710 2,639,197	\$	25,673,301 2,639,197	\$	25,702,063 2,639,197	\$	25,579,444 2,639,197	\$	25,540,177 2,639,197	\$	25,204,741 2,639,197
Subtotal: Existing Debt	<u> </u>	27,955,502	-	26,661,907	-	28,312,498	_	28,341,260	\$	28,218,641	_	28,179,374	<u>-</u>	27,843,937
Proposed Debt  Revolving Line of Credit Interest Revenue Bonds	\$	438,257	\$	1,009,123		1,221,774 7,245,984			\$	1,267,573 23,760,834		1,368,494 37,146,358	\$	1,348,276 49,611,976
SRF Loans		438,257	_	1,009,123	<u>_</u>	8,467,758	<u> </u>	17,979,904	<u>-</u>	25,028,407	<u>_</u>	38,514,852	<u>_</u>	50,960,252
Subtotal: Proposed Debt Subtotal: Debt Service	\$ \$	28,393,759	\$ \$	27,671,030	<u>*</u>		<u>*</u>	46,321,164	<u>*</u>	53,247,048	<del>→</del> 5	66,694,226	<del>*</del> \$	78,804,190
Capital Expenditures & Transfers Rate Funded Capital (PAYGO) Other Transfers to Reserves Reimbursements (Municipalities & Pennvest) Remarketing & Liquidity Charges	\$	1,932,706 (793,929) 811,603	\$	1,229,257 -	\$	1,086,910 3,503,383	·	2,458,606 2,151,200 - -	•	4,869,311 5,224,343 -		7,325,211 3,995,086 -	·	10,558,532 3,995,086 - -
Subtotal: Capital Expenditures & Transfers	\$	1,950,380	\$	1,229,257	\$	4,590,293	\$	4,609,806	\$	10,093,653	\$	11,320,297	\$	14,553,618
<b>Total: Water</b> % Change	\$	86,860,424	\$	111,570,997 28.45%	\$	126,373,303 13.27%	\$	138,155,798 9.32%	\$	152,938,764 10.70%	\$	170,063,046 11.20%	\$	<b>187,936,675</b> <i>10.51%</i>

#### Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Revenue Requirements by Utility

Wastewater Conveyance		FY 2017 Actual		FY 2018 FTY		FY 2019 FPFTY		FY 2020 Forecast		FY 2021 Forecast		FY 2022 Forecast		FY 2023 Forecast
Operating Expenses  Direct Operating Expenses														
Administrative Division Executive Director	\$	783,485 3,804,608	\$	617,401 3,766,330	\$	946,441 4,370,754	\$	969,297 4,501,616	\$	992,766 4,636,832	\$	1,016,866 4,776,559	\$	1,041,617 4,920,959
Customer Service Management Information Systems		581,320		1,116,293		893,818		919,246		945,462		972,492		1,000,364
Finance Procurement		405,127 79,687		1,408,944 159,503		1,071,404 130,454		1,099,464 135,346		1,128,348 140,428		1,158,086 145,707		1,188,705 151,190
Human Resources		270,012 630,701		436,834 1,056,213		447,444 658,047		462,861 674,069		478,845 690,525		495,416 707,429		512,596 724,796
Legal Public Affairs		119,374		228,537		282,710		291,682		300,965		310,571		320,513
Operations Division				2 042 627		2.054.660		2.025.202		2 007 020		2.072.276		2 440 726
Environmental Compliance Ops Capital Assets		22,331		2,842,627 7,774		2,854,668 10,178		2,925,302 10,381		2,997,820 10,589		3,072,276 10,801		3,148,726 11,017
Warehouse		310,750		119,265		121,018		125,730		130,627		135,717		141,008
Water Treatment Plant Water Quality (Lab)		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Water Distribution Sewer Operations		10,234,288		18,660,666		16,518,454		17,035,306		17,568,688		18,119,139		18,687,217
Engineering & Construction Division Engineering & Construction		3,408,213		4,240,885		5,163,643		5,307,567		5,455,933		5,608,893		5,766,600
Subtotal: Direct Operating Expenses	\$	20,649,895	\$	34,661,273	\$	33,469,034	\$	34,457,867	\$	35,477,828	\$	36,529,953	\$	37,615,309
Other Operating Expenses  Loss / (Gain) on ALCOSAN Billings  Co-Op Agreement Op. Expenses - Water	\$	8,759,535	\$	3,457,699	\$	3,699,738	\$	3,958,720	\$	4,235,830	\$	4, <del>44</del> 7,622 -	\$	4,670,003
Co-Op Agreement Op. Expenses - Sewer Non-City Water Subsidy		1,500,000		3,000,000		3,000,000		3,000,000		3,000,000		3,000,000		3,000,000
Subtotal: Other Operating Expenses	\$	10,259,535	\$	6,457,699	\$	6,699,738	\$	6,958,720	\$	7,235,830	\$	7,447,622	\$	7,670,003
Subtotal: Operating Expenses	\$	30,909,430	\$	41,118,973	\$	40,168,772	\$	41,416,587	\$	42,713,659	\$	<b>4</b> 3,977,574	\$	45,285,312
<u>Debt Service</u> Existing Debt														
Senior Debt Service Subordinate Debt Service	\$ _	21,591,085 1,882,934	\$ 	20,171,684 2,216,113	<b>\$</b>	21,557,673 2,216,113	\$ _	21,581,824 2,216,113	<b>\$</b>	21,478,862 2,216,113	\$	21,445,890 2,216,113	<b>\$</b>	21,164,226 2,216,113
Subtotal: Existing Debt	\$	23,474,019	\$	22,387,798	\$	23,773,786	\$	23,797,937	\$	23,694,975	\$	23,662,003	\$	23,380,339
Proposed Debt  Revolving Line of Credit Interest  Revenue Bonds  SRF Loans	\$	172,735	\$	257,814 - -	\$	464,347 2,478,557	\$	657,475 7,551,022	\$	554,659 11,070,723	\$	499,703 17,228,404	\$	567,155 22,174,927
Subtotal: Proposed Debt	<u> </u>	172,735	<u> </u>	257,814	\$	2,942,904	<u> </u>	8,208,497	\$	11,625,381	<u> </u>	17,728,107	<del>-</del>	22,742,082
Subtotal: Debt Service	\$	23,646,754	\$	22,645,611	\$	26,716,690	\$	32,006,434	\$		\$	41,390,110	\$	46,122,421
<u>Capital Expenditures &amp; Transfers</u> Rate Funded Capital (PAYGO) Other Transfers to Reserves	\$	- 1,211,804	\$	- 770,743	\$	413,090 2,196,617	\$	1,541,394 1,348,800	\$	2,130,689 3,275,657	\$	2,674,789 2,504,914	\$	4,441,468 2,504,914
Reimbursements (Municipalities & Pennvest) Remarketing & Liquidity Charges		- 681,497		-		-		-		-		-		-
Subtotal: Capital Expenditures & Transfers	\$	1,893,301	\$	770,743	\$	2,609,707	\$	2,890,194	\$	5,406,347	\$	5,179,703	\$	6,946,382
Total: Wastewater Conveyance % Change	\$	56,449,485	\$	<b>64,535,327</b> <i>14.32%</i>	\$	<b>69,495,169</b> 7.69%	\$	<b>76,313,215</b> <i>9.81%</i>	\$	<b>83,440,362</b> 9.34%	\$	90,547,388 8.52%	\$	98,354,116 8.62%

## Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority <u>Breakdown of FPFTY Wastewater Conveyance Revenue Requirements</u>

		<u>FPFTY</u>		<u>FPFTY</u>		<u>FPFTY</u>
Wastewater Conveyance		Sewer Only	Sto	ormwater Only	W	V Conveyance
Operating Expenses						
Direct Operating Expenses Administrative Division						
Executive Director	\$	283,932	\$	662,509	\$	946,441
Customer Service	Ψ	4,370,754	*	-	4	4,370,754
Management Information Systems		268,146		625,673		893,818
Finance		321,421		749,983		1,071,404
Procurement		39,136		91,318		130,454
Human Resources		134,233		313,211		447,444
Legal		197,414		460,633		658,047
Public Affairs		84,813		197,897		282,710
Operations Division						
Environmental Compliance		856,400		1,998,268		2,854,668
Ops Capital Assets		3,053		7,124		10,178
Warehouse		36,305		84,713		121,018
Water Treatment Plant		-		-		,
Water Quality (Lab)		_		_		-
Water Distribution		-		-		_
Sewer Operations		15,198,454		1,320,000		16,518,454
Engineering & Construction Division						
Engineering & Construction  Engineering & Construction		1,927,038		3,236,606		5,163,643
Subtotal: Direct Operating Expenses	\$	23,721,101	\$	9,747,934	\$	33,469,034
Other Operating European						
Other Operating Expenses	4	2 600 720	4	_	÷	2 600 720
Loss / (Gain) on ALCOSAN Billings	\$	3,699,738	\$	-	\$	3,699,738
Co-Op Agreement Op. Expenses - Water		1 500 000		1 500 000		3 000 000
Co-Op Agreement Op. Expenses - Sewer Non-City Water Subsidy		1,500,000		1,500,000		3,000,000
Non-City Water Subsidy		<u>_</u>				<u>-</u>
Subtotal: Other Operating Expenses	\$	5,199,738	\$	1,500,000	\$	6,699,738
Subtotal: Operating Expenses	\$	28,920,839	\$	11,247,934	\$	40,168,772
Debt Service						
Existing Debt						
Senior Debt Service	\$	6,898,455	\$	14,659,217	\$	21,557,673
Subordinate Debt Service		709,156		1,506,957		2,216,113
Subtotal: Existing Debt	\$	7,607,611	\$	16,166,174	\$	23,773,786
Proposed Debt						
Revolving Line of Credit Interest	\$	180,281	\$	284,066	\$	464,347
Revenue Bonds	7	899,294	•	1,579,264	•	2,478,557
SRF Loans		-		, , , , <u>-</u>		· · -
Subtotal: Proposed Debt	\$	1,079,574	\$	1,863,330	\$	2,942,904
Subtotal: Debt Service	\$	8,687,186	\$	18,029,504	\$	26,716,690
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Capital Expenditures & Transfers						
Rate Funded Capital (PAYGO)	\$	160,380	\$	252,710	\$	413,090
Other Transfers to Reserves		2,196,617		-		2,196,617
Reimbursements (Municipalities & Pennvest)		-		-		-
Remarketing & Liquidity Charges						<u>-</u>
Subtotal: Capital Expenditures & Transfers	\$	2,356,998	\$	252,710	\$	2,609,707
Total: Wastewater Conveyance	\$	39,965,022	\$	29,530,147	\$	69,495,169

#### Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Allocation Factors - Between Utilities

	Allocations to Utililities (Revenue Requirements & Assets)										
Code	Description	Water	Sewer	Stormwater							
Α	Water Only	100.00%	**************************************								
В	Wastewater Only		100.00%								
С	Stormwater Only			100.00%							
D	Customer Service - Meters	50.53%	49.47%								
E	Customer Bills	42.97%	57.03%	0.00%							
F	Operations Cost	71.73%	8.48%	19.79%							
G	Engineering and Construction	69.64%	11.33%	19.03%							
Н	Environmental Compliance	35.00%	19.50%	45.50%							
I	Customer Service - Composite	44.25%	55.75%	0.00%							
J	Wastewater - Conveyance	0.00%	30.00%	70.00%							
Κ	Existing Debt Service - Assets	54.36%	14.61%	31.04%							
L	Placeholder										

#### Sewer / Stormwater Allocation Factor Detail (1)

Conveyance
Debt Service
Customer Service
General & Admin
Placeholder
Placeholder

Sewer	Stormwater
30.00%	70.00%
32.00%	68.00%
63.00%	37.00%
94.00%	6.00%
50.00%	50.00%
50.00%	50.00%

(1) Allocation of costs between sewer and stormwater utilizes factors derived by Black & Veatch during the 2015 Stormwater Feasibility Study.

#### Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority <u>Allocation Factor Detail</u>

Code(s)	Description	s - Allocation to Utilitie	Calculations	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
D	Customer Service - Meters  - This factor uses water and sewer meters to allocate meter costs between utilities	Water Meters Water & Sewer Meters	2017 75,328 73,746 149,074	<u>Factor</u> 50.53% 49.47%
E	Customer Bills  - This factor uses water and sewer bills to allocate billing costs between utilities	Water Bills Sewer Bills	2017 906,348 1,203,002 2,109,350	<u>Factor</u> 42.97% 57.03%
F	Operations Costs  - This factor uses the allocation of the operations budget category as a composite allocation for allocating administrative costs to the utilities	Water Wastewater Stormwater	2019 Costs \$ 49,497,645 16,094,213 3,410,105 \$ 69,001,962	Factor 71.73% 23.32% 4.94%
G	- This factor uses the 2018-2022 CIP to allocate engineering and construction costs between utilities.	Water Wastewater Stormwater	**************************************	Factor 69.64% 11.33% 19.03%
Н	- This factor is based on PWSA Staff estimates of 35% of Environmental Compliance costs being water-related. The wastewater portion is allocated 30/70 to wastewater/stormwater based on Black & Veatch 2016 estimates of conveyance costs.	Water Wastewater Stormwater	Factor 35.00% 19.50% 45.50%	
I	Customer Service - Composite  - This factor is a composite allocation of the allocated Customer Service (911) budget between to allocate Customer Service assets between the utilities.	Water Wastewater Stormwater	2019 Budget \$ 3,468,914 4,370,754 	44.25% 55.75% 0.00%
К	Existing Debt Service - Assets  - Existing system debt service is allocated between utilities by using system fixed assets. Non-water assets are allocated 32/68 to wastewater/stormwater based on Black & Veatch 2016 estimates of conveyance costs.	Water Wastewater Stormwater	Factor 54.36% 14.61% 31.04%	

# BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

#### **TESTIMONY OF**

## KATHERINE L. CLUPPER

## ON BEHALF OF THE PITTSBURGH WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY

DOCKET Nos. R-2018-3002645 and R-2018-3002647

Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Initial Tariff Filing and Rate Request

July 2, 2018

#### I. INTRODUCTION

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- 2 Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, POSITION AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.
- 3 A. Katherine L. Clupper. I am currently a Managing Director and Partner with PFM
- Financial Advisors, LLC ("PFM"). The business address is 1735 Market Street,
- 5 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103.
- 6 Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE PFM.
- 7 A. PFM is a national independent financial advisory firm serving municipal and non-profit

  8 issuers. PFM is a registered municipal advisor with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking

  9 Board and the Securities Exchange Commission. PFM is the largest municipal advisor to

  10 municipal utilities, including water, sewer, gas and power utilities located across the

  11 country.
- 12 Q. SUMMARIZE YOUR PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS.
- At PFM, I am the head of the municipal practice located in the Philadelphia office, which 13 A. 14 provides financial advisory services to a range of issuers in the Mid-Atlantic region. I am a member of the public utilities sector group at PFM. My background includes 30 years 15 in this industry, including working for investment banking firms as well as another 16 regional municipal advisor. PFM provides services related to entering into the capital 17 markets, developing and implementing rating agency strategies, developing credit 18 19 profiles for investor outreach, debt structuring and managing and transaction 20 management. I, and members of my group, have worked with similar water & sewer clients over the years, including City of Baltimore Water & Sewer Enterprise, North Penn 21 22 Water Authority, Philadelphia Water Department, the City of Wilmington Sewer Enterprise, New Jersey Trust and DC WASA. I have served as financial advisor to the 23 24 Pittsburgh Water & Sewer Authority ("PWSA" or "Authority")) since 2013. Additional

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1	information regarding PFM's experience in water & sewer financings and a
2	representative list of clients can be found in Appendix A.

#### 3 Q. DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND.

- A. I hold an undergraduate degree from Shippensburg University and a Master of Business
   Administration from Temple University. I am a registered Municipal Advisor
   Representative with a Series 50.
- 7 Q. HAVE YOU EVER TESTIFIED BEFORE ANY REGULATORY AGENCIES OR LEGAL PROCEEDINGS?
- 9 A. No, I have not testified before any regulatory agency, but have provided similar testimony for the Philadelphia Water Department Rate Board hearings.

#### 11 O. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?

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We have been asked by PWSA to provide expert testimony relating to the rate case pending with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("PUC"), specifically related to the financial policies and goals of the PWSA in connection with the requested rate increase pending with the PUC. This testimony will show that the requested rate increase is critical to PWSA in maintaining its credit rating needed to successfully enter the bond market and achieve a cost of capital that benefits rate payers. Additionally, PWSA has several bank and swap agreements that have ratings-related cost increases and termination triggers that make maintaining certain credit ratings even more critical. Finally, credit ratings are a reflection of the financial strength of a system which are an indicator of the financial sustainability and the ability to address the critical capital needs of the system facing the Authority.

The financial metrics developed by PWSA will be discussed in comparison to peer systems and industry rating criteria. I will discuss the importance of the metrics and

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how they should be viewed as a minimum level, critical for the PWSA to continue functioning at the current credit profile. The requested financial requirements are well within the current industry standards. Also noted is the necessity of a municipal utility to maintain a certain level of liquidity and debt service coverage in order to have available internally generated funds required to fund critical capital needs and to have a cushion to mitigate any unforeseen financial or operational emergencies. Publically owned utilities have only two sources of funds to address operational and capital needs; revenues generated from rates and fees and proceeds from debt issuance (which are then recovered from ratepayers). This is different from investor owned utilities that can also rely on investor equity.

In this testimony I have relied on my professional experience in working with similar issuers and credits entering the capital markets as well as the experience of PFM's other utility professionals. I have also examined materials, documents, and information produced in this matter, including the testimony of other PWSA witnesses, PWSA bond disclosure statements, PWSA financial statements, and rating agency publications related to PWSA as well as industry and peer related reports.

#### II. BACKGROUND FOR CONSIDERATION OF RATE REQUEST

## Q. WHAT IS THE STRUCTURE OF THE AUTHORITY'S CURRENT DEBT PROFILE?

PWSA has currently outstanding \$676,277 million of bonds outstanding, comprised of \$572,617 million (85%) issued under the Senior Lien and \$103,660 million (15%) issued as Subordinate Bonds. Additionally there is approximately \$31 million outstanding of Pennvest Loans, issued as a third lien, as well as a line of credit of \$80 million for construction purposed of which \$47 million has been drawn as of June 18, 2018. Of the

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outstanding debt, \$322,465 million (48%) is issued as variable rate bonds, hedged with interest rate swap agreements (with the exception of \$2,085 million of the Senior Lien which is unhedged). Of the variable rate debt, \$218,805 million was issued as publically issued Floating Rate Notes with a mandatory tender date of December 1, 2020. A mandatory tender requires that the Authority purchase the bonds on the tender date with proceeds from a remarketing, which could be from another public offering or a private bank loan. The remaining \$103,660 million is issued as privately placed floating rate bank loans pursuant to three different bank agreements with Bank of America, N.A. affiliate (Banc of American Preferred Funding Corporation) ("BofA") and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. affiliate (DNT Asset Trust) ("JPM"). The hedged variable rate debt has related interest rate swap agreements with Merrill Lynch Capital Services Inc. ("BofA Swaps") and JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association ("JPM Swaps"). If the Swap Agreements were terminated as of June 15, 2018, the Authority would owe the swap providers \$73,539,332; including accrued interest the amount owed would be \$76,789,131. This termination amount is impacted by prevailing interest rates and the life of the outstanding swap amount. The Debt and Swap Portfolio Summary is attached in Exhibit KLC-1.

In addition to the financial and other covenants required in the governing Trust Indenture, the Authority has several bank agreements and swap agreements, all with separate events of default and termination events. With the exception of the Series B of 2013, all of the outstanding bonds are secured with a Surety Policy with Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. ("AGM") to meet the debt service reserve requirement (6.55% of the DSRF obligation) of the Trust Indenture. This Surety Policy also has certain

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agreements related to the interest rate swap agreements, also insured by AGM, with regards to certain to termination events. The Series 1998 Series B Bonds are also partially insured by National Public Finance Guaranty Corporation ("NPFGC") who has placed additional restrictions on interim borrowings against the Senior Lien. Many of these transactions were entered into before the fiscal crisis and the related bank and bond insurer credit downgrades and at that time were viewed as cost effective. Since that time, the Authority has had to spend significant resources in replacing bank agreements, restructuring swap agreements and reaching certain side agreements with the bond insurers. Even with these changes the risks inherent to this debt portfolio are significant.

These risks include interest rate risk on the variable rate debt resulting from the mismatch in the floating rate paid to the Authority from the swap providers and the floating rate paid by the Authority to the bond holders. This mismatch is caused by the recent income tax changes and the related increased cost provisions in the bank documents. Additionally all of the bank agreements have increased pricing triggered due to any future credit rating downgrades. The swap agreements have rating triggers related to the bond insurer as well as the Authority that could result in a termination event. As a result of the Authority's debt being secured by Surety Policies, any refunding or restructuring requires bond insurer approval, or the Authority would need to fund these debt service reserve funds with cash.

## Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE CREDIT AGENCIES VIEW OF THE AUTHORITY'S DEBT STRUCTURE.

In addition to the complicated nature of the debt portfolio, PWSA is also highly levered compared to other systems. As mentioned by Moody's, "the Authority's total debt is equal to 105% of fixed assets, well above similarly sized peers. The outstanding debt

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amortizes slowly, with only 36% of the principal scheduled to be repaid in the next 10 years." As a comparison, the Moody's "A" rated 2016 median for US combined systems is 47.9% and 31.3% median for all systems. This is compounded by the structure of PWSA's currently outstanding debt service which remains approximately \$50 million a year until 2040 (as of June 1, 2018). This is a result of many years of structuring bond financings with deferred principal in order minimize rate increases. This will further increase the impact of any future bond financings as there will not be the necessary ongoing principal retirement necessary to mitigate the impact of future borrowing.

#### O. PLEASE DISCUSS THE CURRENT GOVERNING BOND DOCUMENT.

A. The main governing document is:

Amended and Restated Indenture: In 2017, the Authority refunded most of its outstanding debt and restructured certain swap agreements for an overall present value debt service benefit of \$13 million and to provide the opportunity to amend and restate the Senior Lien Bond documents. The goal was to modernize certain provisions and strengthen financial covenants, which should result in increased future liquidity and financial sustainability. The most important change was to strengthen the debt service coverage requirement from the previous covenant that allowed the Authority to use unrestricted cash and investments to achieve the required 1.2 times coverage on the senior lien to a more typical covenant that requires coverage to be achieved with current revenues and transfers from a rate stabilization fund. Described below are some of the more significant changes.

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Recommendation	Past Provisions	Current
Rate Covenant (Begin January 1, 2019; calculation will be done in 2020 for fiscal year 2019.)	The Authority was previously required to satisfy one of the two coverage tests below:  (1) Net Revenues shall not be less than:  (a) all Current Expenses of the Authority; and (b) 120% of debt service requirements with respect to the Senior Bonds, Subordinate Bonds and other Authority Long-Term Indebtedness during the current Authority Fiscal Year  (2) Net Revenues shall not be less than:  (a) all Current Expenses of the Authority; and (b) 100% of debt service requirements with respect to the Senior Bonds, Subordinate Bonds and other Authority Long-Term Indebtedness during the current Authority Fiscal Year	The Authority is required to satisfy the three requirements below:  (1) Net Revenues shall be sufficient in each Fiscal Year to pay Annual Senior Debt Service, Annual Subordinate Debt Service, all deposits to satisfy Reserve Requirements and any additional Authority Indebtedness in that Fiscal Year  (2) Net Revenues shall not be less than 125% of Annual Senior Debt Service, plus 110% of aggregate Annual Debt Service in that Fiscal Year  (3) Rate Covenant Net Revenues, excluding transfers from the Rate Stabilization Fund, shall equal not less than 100% of aggregate Annual Debt Service  Rate Covenant Net Revenues include Net Revenues plus any transfers from the Rate Stabilization Fund to the Revenue Fund; less any transfers to the Rate Stabilization Fund to the Revenue Fund.  To begin January 1, 2019
Rate Stabilization Fund	Not Included	Funds from the Revenue Fund can be transferred into the RSF and used in the calculation of Net Revenues for the purposes of the Rate Covenant.
Debt Service Reserve Fund	Maximum Annual Debt Service requirement for all bond outstanding	Ability to establish a common or separate debt service reserve fund.
Annual Debt Service	Limited definitions regarding calculation of debt service	Expanded the definition to include more debt options such as interim debt and tender indebtedness.

Additionally the amendments reorganized the Flow of Funds between the Senior and Subordinate lien in the Indenture. It should be noted that with regard to the City's Cooperation Payment, this expenses is specifically not included as an expense for purposes of calculating the rate covenant. The City's Cooperation Payment in the FPFTY will be \$7,150,000.

- i. Revenue Fund All revenues received by the Authority must be deposited into the Revenue Fund.

 ii. Operating Fund – The Authority shall transfer from the Revenue Fund to the Operating Fund from time to time amounts needed to pay Current Expenses.

1	iii.	Debt Service Fund – On the 20th day of each month before debt service is due,
2		the Authority shall transfer to: (1) senior debt service fund (including periodic
3		payments of swap agreements); (2) the senior debt service reserve fund, if
4		needed; (3) the subordinated debt service fund (including periodic payments
5		of swap agreements); (4) the subordinated debt service reserve fund, if
6		needed; (5) any payments owed to swap providers other than periodic
7		payments.
8	iv.	Operating Reserve Fund – Amounts necessary to restore the operating reserve
9		requirement of 1/6 <sup>th</sup> of current expenses of the most recent annual audited

- iv. Operating Reserve Fund Amounts necessary to restore the operating reserve requirement of 1/6<sup>th</sup> of current expenses of the most recent annual audited financial statements. Such amounts shall be restored if drawn upon within 24 months of the withdrawal by depositing 1/24 of the operating reserve requirement monthly.
- v. City Cooperation Agreement Amounts owed to the City pursuant to the Agreement.
- vi. Any funds remaining in the Revenue Fund after all of the previous required payments have been made can be transferred to the Rate Stabilization Fund; the Debt Service Fund; the Operating Fund to pay for construction or capital projects.

Funds that would be considered in any liquidity metric would include balances in the Operating Fund, Rate Stabilization Fund and the Operating Reserve Fund.

## Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE KEY FINANCIAL METRICS THAT WILL DRIVE THE REVENUE REQUIREMENT AND THE RESULTING IMPACT ON THE AUTHORITY'S CREDIT PROFILE.

Currently the Authority is rated "A2" by Moody's with a negative outlook. A negative outlook indicates that there are significant credit pressures and can signal a downgrade if certain actions are not taken. Moody's specifically mentions that "the Authority maintains pronounced risks associated with its debt profile in the face of already-narrow coverage levels". These risks can be mitigated with appropriate liquidity and debt service coverage resulting from the proposed rate increase at the requested levels.

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The Authority is rated "A" by S&P with a stable outlook. S&P also mentions the complex nature of the Authority's debt and makes it clear that contingent risks are mitigated in part by the assumption of continued improvement in management, operations and maintaining certain financial metrics.

Critical to the revenue requirement are financial policies that support the financial sustainability of the Authority, insuring a minimum rating in the "A" category which will provide affordable access to the bond market and other financial institutions. Financial policies include minimum debt service coverage levels, minimum levels of liquidity or unrestricted funds, and the ability to manage future debt capacity by funding a portion of the capital program with internally generated funds or "pay-go". Both Moody's and S&P are specific in their discussions that certain financial metrics must be achieved and maintained in order to maintain the current credit profile.

The first key metric is debt service coverage, which as discussed previously is required to be 1.25 times for the Senior Lien. The Authority must comply with this covenant for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2019, which is why this rate increase is so critical. The Authority is targeting debt service coverage to be 1.35 times (before the City Cooperation payment), which is included in the current revenue requirement. It should be noted that sector wide coverage is closer to 2 times (2016 Moody's median for combined systems). While peer and rating comparisons will be discussed further in this testimony, this goal is still significantly below national trends. The goal of 1.35 times should be viewed as a minimum goal and acknowledges the current structure of the Authority's debt and its historical reliance on cash and investments, not current revenues, to achieve coverage. It is important to note that if this coverage is not allowed to be

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achieved and trend upwards, there will be no ability to grow financial resources to fund targeted pay-go levels and continue the over reliance on debt, further leveraging an already over-levered system. In addition to providing pay-go resources, adequate debt service coverage creates critical financial resources that are needed to address potential economic and operational challenges.

Both Moody's and S&P are specific in their discussions that it is the expectation that the Authority's debt service coverage goal is 1.3 times coverage or better. It is extremely important to create policies that generate coverage in excess of the legal requirement in order to protect against any unforeseen additional expenses or decreases in expected revenues. Setting coverage at the legal requirement puts the Authority at significant risk of violating the covenant. Furthermore, the ability to issue additional debt under the bond documents requires certain certificates that the Authority is in compliance with the rate covenant and has sufficient revenues to comply with the covenant taking into account the additional debt service.

It should be noted that the legal debt service coverage requirement does not include any payments to the City in the definition of "Current Expenses". While these payments might be subordinate, they are still an obligation and need to be included in the revenue requirement. The Authority has targeted debt service coverage with the City's payment of 1.15 times. Any additional financial resources generated by coverage are needed to support the growing capital needs as well as to insure adequate liquidity necessary to mitigate any financial or operational risks, not used for additional obligations.

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The second metric that is critical is days cash on hand; unrestricted cash and investments times 365 divided by operating and maintenance expenses. This measures liquidity and is used by both rating agencies to measure financial resources available to survive temporary revenue disruptions and unexpected expenses. This is critical to the financial strength of a system and the Authority in the past has maintained reserves in order to be in compliance with the rate covenant. (The current Rate Covenant is described on page 5.) However in recent years, reserves have been spent to address unexpected capital needs and collection disruptions. The current levels are simply not adequate and put the Authority in a position of financial risk. Additionally, the Trust Indenture requires deposits to the Operating Reserve Fund, this obligation will also continue to increase the amount on deposit as operating expenses increase.

The target Days Cash on Hand is 65 days for the year 2019, which is still significantly lower than peer systems as will be discussed in the next section. The goal is to maintain and to increase this level while still maintaining affordable rate increases. Days Cash on Hand should increase to over 100 days over the next five years (not including the ALCOSAN expenses). The current revenue request will be critical to the Authority being able to achieve this initial goal.

The third metric is the percentage of pay-go financing, or simply funding capital needs with current revenues. Systems that have been able to fund significant portions of their capital improvement plan with annual revenues are able to manage their debt without significantly burdening future rate payers. PWSA is targeting a nominal amount of \$1.5 million of the current capital needs to be funded with internally generated funds. with the percentage trending up to 10% over the next five years. As a point of reference,

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Fitch Investor Service specifically measures pay-go levels for similar systems and views 65% pay-go funding as strong, 55% as a midrange and 45% pay go funding as on the weaker side in assessing operating risks. PWSA is on the weaker side, with the goal taking into account that the capital program increases in the short term but levels out in the long run. Systems that are able to sustain higher levels of pay-go financing also enjoy health debt service coverage and liquidity.

PWSA's goal for sustaining and increasing the amount of its capital program funded with internally generated funds is critical to addressing the amount of debt in comparison to its assets and financial resources. It will be critical in maintaining its current credit profile to stop borrowing 100% of its capital needs in the future.

- Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN THE FINANCIAL RESULTS IF THE PROPOSED RATES ARE NOT APPROVED AND THE FINANCIAL METRICS CANNOT BE IMPLEMENTED.
  - As is outlined in Exhibit DML-1, which is a part of Ms. Lestitian's testimony, if the current rates remain in place, the Authority will not be able to comply with its current bond rate covenant. As described previously in order to comply with the legal requirement, the Authority must generate revenues in the FPFTY in an amount that will generate senior debt service coverage of at least 1.25 times. Balances in the Rate Stabilization Fund ("RSF") may be counted as revenue, but without the rate increases, the RSF will have a zero balance. The Authority's financial metrics require debt service coverage of 1.35 times as a minimum target to provide a cushion in the event actual collections are lower than anticipated or expenses are higher. Without the rate increase the debt service coverage in FPFTY will be .95 times for senior debt service (1.25 times legal covenant) and .79 for total debt service (1.1 times legal covenant). This would cause the Authority to be in non-compliance with its bond documents.

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If the Authority fails to comply with the rate covenant, a consultant shall be promptly engaged to prepare a report to remedy the failure and to make recommendations. The Authority has 180 days after the tested fiscal year to revise rates, fees and charges or to petition the PUC to establish the necessary rates, fees and charges to address the rate covenant failure. If after this time period, the Authority continues to fail the rate covenant, then an Event of Default will have occurred. An event of default results in certain remedies available to bond holders, including acceleration of principal.

Additionally the financial metrics target total debt service coverage, including the City Cooperation Payment of 1.15 times. Even though the payment is subordinate to debt service payments, it is still an obligation and will divert resources from pay-go financing and funding of the Rate Stabilization Fund and needs to be considered.

As described in Exhibit DML-2, after accounting for the proposed rate increase, debt service coverage for senior debt service is 1.47 times, debt service coverage for total debt service is 1.23. and including the City Cooperation Payment, coverage is 1.10 times. The median coverage for "A2" rated Moody's credits is 1.5 times debt service coverage. The request is certainly reasonable and necessary to the financial stability of the Authority.

In addition to debt service coverage, the other critical metric is days cash on hand. As discussed previously, the Authority has targeted 65 days for the FPFTY and as indicated in Exhibit DML-1, without the rate increase days cash on hand fall to a <u>negative</u> 8.4 days cash on hand. This would result in the total depletion of the operating reserve fund, all other available cash and no funding of the rate stabilization fund. With the requested rate increase the FPFTY will have 74 days cash on hand, including the

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balances in the Operating Reserve Fund. It should be noted that both rating agencies mention an appropriate level of days cash on hand for the Authority as closer to 100 days.

## Q. DISCUSS THE AUTHORITY'S CREDIT PROFILE IN COMPARISON TO OTHER PEER UTILITIES.

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The Authority's credit ratings of A2 and A are on the lower half of most of the US water and sewer systems, with 80% rated higher by Moody's and 50% are rated in the AA and AAA categories by S&P. Nationally water & sewer credits are generally well received by the investor community with rating agencies viewing the industry with a stable outlook. It is expected that the industry will remain stable, increasing rates as necessary while still balancing affordability concerns. Rating agencies have been reviewing and updating methodologies with a view towards transparency and a more quantitative approach. Both Moody's and S&P have published credit scorecards which identify certain rating factors, as well as assigning certain factor weighting. Both credit scorecards include some level of qualitative analysis or above and below the line notching. While the approach is slightly different, the factors considered both include debt service coverage and liquidity measures as critical components of any credit review.

Moody's – Moody's identifies broad factors for consideration and further provides sub factors in the scorecard. The broad categories include system characteristics (asset condition, service area and system size), financial strength (debt service coverage, day's cash on hand, debt to operating revenues), management (rate management, regulatory, compliance and capital plans) and legal provisions (rate covenant, debt service reserve requirements). In general the median coverage for Moody's rated credits is 2.1 for combined systems and 1.9 times for single systems. With those levels of

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coverage, liquidity or days cash on hand remain strong at levels of 406 days for combined systems and 379 days cash on hand for water systems.

Key Indicator	PWSA	A2 Rated Medians	A1 Rated Medians
Asset Condition	41.0	29.6	25.2
Debt to Operating Revenues	4.0	2.96	2.15
Debt Service Coverage	.83	1.5	1.8
Days Cash on Hand	60	223	283

Above are Moody's key ratios from the most recent rating report (12/1/2017), and it should be noted that PWSA is generally below national medians. Increasing rates to provide cash flow available to fund an increasing amount of projects on a pay-go basis will help to mitigate this concern.

Standard & Poor's – S&P also has developed a credit calculator to provide a qualitative analysis of a systems credit profile. They measure credit through an enterprise risk profile (economic fundamentals, industry risk, market position and operational management assessment) and a financial risk profile (all in coverage, liquidity and reserves, debt and liabilities and financial management assessment). They also provide for notch adjustments for certain factors. When reviewing assessment scores for "A" rated water & sewer credits, debt service coverage averaged 1.4 times for S&P rated systems and liquidity measures averaged approximately 90 days cash on hand.

Below is a summary of the rating recent reports, outlining the challenges and viewpoint of the credit agencies.

Moody's Rated: A2/Negative Outlook (12/1/2017)	S&P Rated: A/Stable Outlook (12/1/2017)
<ul> <li>Large size with considerable assets, serving 80% of the City of Pittsburgh</li> <li>Substantial capital needs, including required improvement of significantly aged assets and deferred maintenance.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pittsburgh's strength as the anchor and economic engine of western PA.</li> <li>Affordable rates, but will have pressures with the funded of further capital needs.</li> <li>Noted adequate liquidity at 1.3 times and higher historically</li> </ul>
Challenges	
<ul> <li>Substantial debt burden, narrowing coverage and liquidity</li> <li>Exposure to a large regional consent decree through ALCOSAN</li> <li>Unknown Rate Making process through the PUC</li> <li>Long term inadequate investment in infrastructure over several years.</li> <li>Implementation of significant larger CIP</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Large environmental mandates to address CSO and wastewater treatment through ALCOSAN</li> <li>Contingent risk with complicated debt structure</li> <li>Liquidity is currently trending below the 1.3 times coverage</li> <li>Unknown ruling by the PUC on the city payment and subsidizing cost of water to a portion of the City</li> </ul>
Positive Credit Impact Items	
<ul> <li>Considerable sized system, serving diverse service area of large city</li> <li>Significant rate increase recently implemented</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PUC oversight could be supportive of credit quality</li> <li>Large system</li> <li>Recent willingness to raise rates</li> </ul>

Conclusion: General observation related to the Authority's financial profile is that the financial metrics are on the weaker side and generally below the median rating categories for the "A" rated category. It will be critical to maintain the minimum debt service coverage and days cash on hand outlined in the Authority's adopted financial metrics. The PUC is viewed as both a credit positive and negative depending upon the outcome of the first rate request.

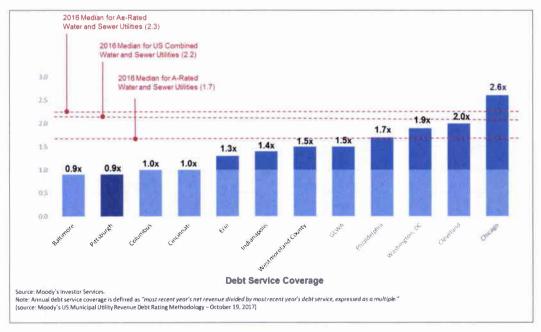
#### **Peer Utilities**

PWSA has selected certain peer systems to provide important benchmarking critical to organizational best practices. While systems have their own characteristics

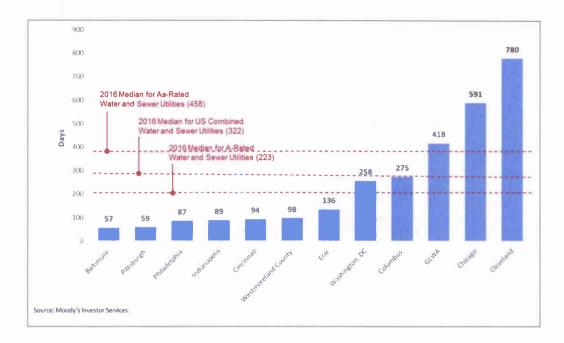
based on regions, size, and service area, the selected peers are of similar size, service areas of industrial urban centers and are located largely in the mid-Atlantic and Midwestern regions of the country. Peer comparisons and benchmarking performance indicators are a component of best practices and have been incorporated into the Authority's financial policies. Data gathered on Peer systems is provided by the Moody's Financial Ratio data base.

Below are charts which indicate that PWSA, as compared to its peers, remains on the weaker side of certain key financial ratios. It is important to note that viewing data for peer systems should be used to provide a general perspective, since obviously each system has its own characteristics. Please see Exhibit KLC-2 for additional financial data on the peer systems.

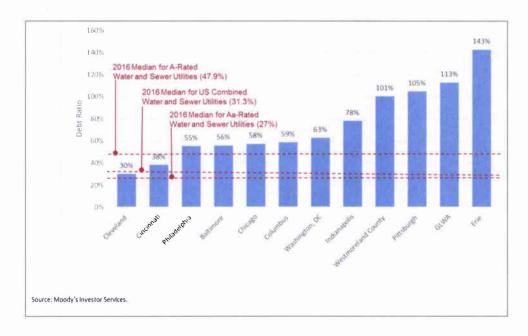
# DEBT SERVICE COVERAGE (Most recent year's net revenue divided by the most recent year's debt service, expressed as a multiple)



- 1 DAYS CASH ON HAND (Unrestricted cash and liquid investments times 365 divided by operating
- 2 and maintenance expenses, expressed in days)

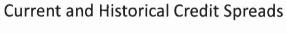


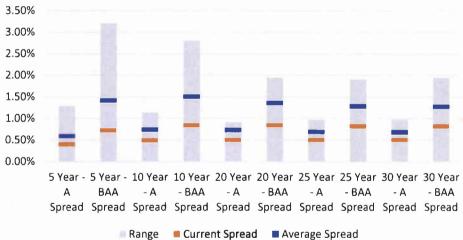
4 DEBT RATIO (Net debt divided by most recent year's operating revenues, expressed as a multiple)



## 1 Q. DESCRIBE THE RISKS TO NOT APPROVING THE REQUESTED REVENUE INCREASE.

A. Cost of Capital. In addition to insuring that rate increases provide the necessary cash flow for liquidity and pay go, the Authority's rating has a direct impact on the cost of capital. This has an impact on the cost of annual debt service as well as the cost to the PWSA of alternative financing options such as letter of credits, bank loans, and implementing a commercial paper program. Higher rated credits enjoy a range of options in financing increasing Capital Improvement Programs and these short term, variable rate options can be even more advantageous in a rising rate environment. Below are current and historical credit spreads for various bond ratings.





Below is a historical representation of the range in interest rates for various credits.

Statistic	5 Year - A Spread	5 Year - BAA Spread	10 Year - A Spread	10 Year - BAA Spread	20 Year - A Spread	20 Year - BAA Spread	25 Year - A Spread	25 Year - BAA Spread	30 Year - A Spread	30 Year - BAA Spread
6/15/2018	0.40%	0.72%	0.49%	0.84%	0.50%	0.84%	0.50%	0.82%	0.50%	0.82%
Average	0.59%	1.41%	0.74%	1.50%	0.73%	1.36%	0.68%	1.28%	0.68%	1.27%
Spread to Avg.	-0.19%	-0.69%	-0.25%	-0.66%	-0.23%	-0.52%	-0.18%	-0.46%	-0.18%	-0.45%
Minimum	0.31%	0.59%	0.48%	0.73%	0.45%	0.75%	0.39%	0.69%	0.38%	0.65%

Spread to Min.	0.09%	0.13%	0.01%	0.11%	0.05%	0.09%	0.11%	0.13%	0.12%	0.17%
Maximum	1.60%	3.80%	1.60%	3.54%	1.27%	2.70%	1.25%	2.60%	1.26%	2.60%
Spread to Max.	-1.20%	-3.08%	-1.11%	-2.70%	-0.77%	-1.86%	-0.75%	-1.78%	-0.76%	-1.78%

Over the next five years, the Authority expects to issues \$1.53 billion in

additional debt. For every 50 basis point increase (or ½ of a percentage point), rate

payers should expect to pay an additional \$7.6 million in annual debt service on the total

debt amount. This increase adds up and can place additional stress on debt service

coverage requirements.

### 7 Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?

8 A. Yes.

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# Appendix A



#### **PFM Firm Overview**

PFM's original financial advisory practice was founded in 1975 on the principle of providing sound, independent and fiduciary financial advice to public entities. We are the nation's leading provider of financial advisory services to water and sewer issuers, local municipalities, states, healthcare and higher education institutions and non-profit organizations by number and dollar value of transactions, according to Thomson Reuters as of December 31, 2017. The yearly volume of transactions for which we consistently serve as advisor provides us with comprehensive experience in the capital markets. We typically serve as advisor on more transactions than many of the largest investment banks, which gives us comparable market knowledge and technical capabilities while being an independent firm that only serves issuers.

PFM's financial advisory business has grown from five professionals in one office in 1975 to more than 620 professionals in more than 30 locations across the country as of September 30, 2017.

#### PFM Office Locations

Ann Arbor, MI Arlington, VA Atlanta, GA Austin, TX Boston, MA Charlotte, NC Chattanooga, TN Chicago, IL Cleveland, OH Columbus, OH Dallas, TX Des Moines, IA Fargo, ND Harrisburg, PA Huntsville, AL Largo, FL

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#### **Nationwide Experience**

As seen in the chart below, the yearly volume of transactions for which the firm consistently serves as advisor provides us with comprehensive experience in the capital markets (as of December 31, 2017). We serve as advisor on more transactions than many of the largest investment banks, which provides us with comparable market knowledge and technical capabilities. As a firm that only serves issuers, we maintain our independence and align our goals solely with our clients.

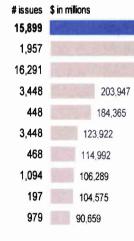
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Hilltop Securities
RBC Capital Mkts
Montague DeRose
Piper Jaffray
Lamont Financial
Acacia Fin Group

Govt Dev Bank

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#### **Wastewater and Utility Experience**

Thomson Reuters has ranked PFM's financial advisory business among the leading financial advisory firms for water, sewer and gas issues, in terms of overall issues and/or principal amount, every year since 2000. In 2017, we advised on 128 transactions totaling nearly \$11 billion. Our financial advisory team has served as financial advisor to water, wastewater and infrastructure revolving funds in 21 states and territories. We believe this experience and leadership provides us unique insight into this rapidly evolving sector. Communities across the country face ever-increasing pressure to meet new and existing environmental quality standards, improve customer service and become more efficient, all while maintaining competitive rates. Our financial advisory professionals provide utilities with a diverse array of services to help them meet these challenges.

In addition to the bond transactions on which we have advised clients, we regularly assist water and wastewater clients with non-bond financial advisory projects. We routinely advise on strategic matters such as resource acquisitions, rate structures that allow for system growth without penalizing the existing customer base, financial reserve policies and credit matters. Our current advisory relationships with water and wastewater utilities across the country provide us with a comprehensive understanding of the unique financial and environmental considerations facing the region, while the breadth and depth of our national water and wastewater practice give us the national experience to apply it. The following list is not comprehensive, but highlights the variety of large, sophisticated utilities that we serve.1

Alexandria Renew Enterprises (VA) Arlington County (VA)

Austin Water and Wastewater Utility (TX) Baltimore Water and Wastewater (MD) Central Marin Sanitation Agency (CA) Clark County (Las Vegas Metropolitan Area)

Contra Costa Water District (CA) Des Moines Metropolitan Wastewater Reclamation Authority (IA)

DC Water and Sewer Authority (DC) Erie County Water Authority (NY) Fairfax County Integrated Sewer System (VA)

Fairfax County Water Authority (VA) Great Lakes Water Authority (MI) Hampton Roads Sanitation District (VA)

Henrico County (VA)

Kansas City Water Department (MO) Las Vegas Valley Water District (NV)

Los Angeles Department of Water & Power Oklahoma City Water Utility Trust (OK)

(CA)

Louisville Water Company (KY)

Maryland Water Quality Administration (MD)

Massachusetts Water Resources Authority Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment (MA)

Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati (OH)

Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District (MO) Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department (OR)

Minnesota Public Facilities Authority (MN) Nassau Sewer and Storm Water Finance Authority (NY)

New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority (CT)

New Jersey Environmental Facilities Trust

New Jersey Water Supply Authority (NJ) New Orleans, City of - Water & Sewerage Board (LA)

Newport News (VA)

NY State Environmental Facilities Corporation

Norfolk (VA)

Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission (NJ)

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PA)

Authority (PA)

Philadelphia Water Department (PA) Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority (PA) Portland, Bureau Environment Services

Rhode Island Clean Water Finance Agency Rockville, City of (MD) San Antonio Water System (TX) San Diego County Water Authority (CA) San Francisco Clean Water Enterprise

Sheffield Lake, Stormwater Utility (OH) South Essex Sewerage District (MA) South Placer Wastewater Authority (CA) Southern Nevada Water Authority (NV) Toledo, City of Department of Public Utilities (OH)

Virginia Resources Authority (VA) Water Reclamation District (NV)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Client list is as of September 30, 2017 and is for informational purposes only. The list does not represent an endorsement or testimonial of PFM financial advisory services by clients. PFM's financial advisory business consists of Public Financial Management Inc. and PFM Financial Advisors LLC. As PFM Financial Advisors LLC commenced operations on June 1, 2016 all transactions prior to such date were effected by Public Financial Management Inc.





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Katherine works with a range of issuers in the Mid-Atlantic region. She also assists in the development of non-profit and higher education clients in Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Jersey and Delaware.

Katherine brings 30 years of experience working for investment banking firms, for financial advisory firms, and as an issue manager in Philadelphia. She was the assistant to the director of finance for the City of Philadelphia where she worked for the city treasurer's office in debt management, acting as issue manager for approximately one billion dollars of securities. She has also worked for the Pennsylvania State Legislature. As an investment banker and a financial advisor for other firms, her responsibilities included business development in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland, and working with a range of issuers providing financial advice in the area of debt management and capital financing. Katherine joined PFM in 2003.

She currently works with several large state and regional issuers such as the Pennsylvania Industrial Development Authority, City of Philadelphia, Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority, Commonwealth Financing Authority and the Pennsylvania Industrial Development Authority. Additionally, she provides financial advisory services to a varity of non-profit and higher education organization such as Temple University, Drexel University and several smaller non-profits and secondary schools. Katherine has assisted her clients in successfully entering into the public markets, implementing best practices in managing their debt portfolio, analyzing and developing credit and long term assest/liability strategies. She has provided her clients with advice addressing transaction management, financial strategic planning, credit analysis and implementation of best practices.

Ms. Clupper has an MBA in finance from Temple University and currently serves on the board of directors of the Urban Affairs Coalition and the Committee of 70. She is also a member of the Forum of Executive Women.

# Exhibit KLC-1

## Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Debt Summary Schedule KCL-1

### Pittsburgh Water & Sewer Authority - Rate of Return As of June 1, 2018

AS OF Julie 1, 2010													
	A	В	С	D	E	Н	I	J	K	L	M	N	0
				Amount		Coupon Rate/	Fixed Swap	Variable Swap	Net Rate	Discount at	Premium at	Issuance	
Bonds and Loans Payable	Date of Issue	Date of Maturity	Amount issued	<u>Outstanding</u>	Amount Retired	Bank Index	Rate (Paid)	<u>Rate</u>	(VRDB)(H+I-J)	<u>Issuance</u>	<u>Issuance</u>	<b>Expenses</b>	Net Proceeds
Senior Bonds:													
1998 Series B 1	Mar-1998	2027-2030	\$ 32,400		\$ 70,655	5.18%	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	\$ 32,400
2013 Series A	Dec-2013	9/1/2015-2033	130,215	93,825	36,390		N/A	N/A	N/A	-	10,903	798	140,320
2013 Series B	Dec-2013	9/1/2015-2040	86,695	38,760	47,935	3.00-5.25%	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	3,926	553	90,068
2017 Series A	Dec-2017	9/1/2018-2032	159,795	159,795	-	3.00-5.00%	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	23,374	1,778	181,391
2017 Series B	Dec-2017	9/1/2018	5,595	5,595	-	1.89%	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	31	5,564
2017 Series C (JPM Swap) 2,3	Dec-2017	9/1/2040	72,748	72,748	-	70% LIBOR + .64%	3.7835%	70% LIBOR	4.4235%	-	-	693	72,054
2017 Series C (MLCS Swap) 2,3	Dec-2017	9/1/2040	72,748	72,748	-	70% LIBOR + .64%	3.7700%	70% LIBOR	4.4100%	-	-	693	72,054
2017 Series C (JPM Swap) 2,3	Dec-2017	9/1/2040	71,225	71,225	-	70% LIBOR + .64%	3.8255%	70% LIBOR	4.4655%	-	-	679	70,546
2017 Series C (Unhedged) <sup>2</sup>	Dec-2017	9/1/2040	2,085	2,085	-	70% LIBOR + .64%	N/A	N/A	2.0600%	-	-	20	2,065
Subordinate Debt													
2008 Series C-1A 2,4,5	Jun-2008	9/1/2035	10,000	10,000	-	(70% LIBOR + .70%)*MFR	3.5000%	70% LIBOR	4.6566%	_	-	273	9,727
2008 Series C-1B 2,4,5	Jun-2008	9/1/2035	10,000	10,000	-	(70% LIBOR + .70%)*MFR	3.5000%	70% LIBOR	4.6566%	_	-	273	9,727
2008 Series C-1C 2,4,5	Jun-2008	9/1/2035	5,000	5,000	-	(70% LIBOR + .70%)*MFR	3.5000%	70% LIBOR	4.6566%	-	-	136	4,864
2008 Series C-1D 2,4,5	Jun-2008	9/1/2035	26,870	26,840	70	(70% LIBOR + .69%)*MFR	3.5000%	70% LIBOR	4.6445%	_	_	733	26,137
2008 Series C-2 3,4	Jun-2008	9/1/2038	51,885	51,820	65	(70% LIBOR + .75%)*MFR	3.5000%	70% LIBOR	4.7174%	_	_	1,415	50,470
Subordinate/Subordinate Debt												•	•
State Loans (PENNVEST)	Various	Various	34,000	29,136	4,864	1.00-3.25%	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	34,000
Capital Line of Credit	July-2016	7/1/2020	80,000	61,368	18,632		N/A	N/A	2.3950%				61,368
Capital Lease	Dec-2015	12/1/2025	7, <del>44</del> 5	1,489	5,956	0.00%	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	7,445

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Column C is the Initial Stated Amount (Capital Appreciation Bonds); Column D is based on accreted value as of 9/1/2018 and Column E is total amount paid as of 9/1/2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Column N represents a proportional breakdown of cost of issuance per Official Statements

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Column C represents the portion of the Series C of 2017 which is connected to certain swap agreements or is unhedged.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Subordinate Bonds Series 2008C-1A-D and C-2 have related swaps that are porportionately allocated to each Sub-Series; 40% Bank of America and 60% JP Morgan; Related Bank Loans are Series C-1 A,B,C,D (BofA) and Series C-2 (JPM)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Due to tax reform, the Marginal Rate Factor was increased from 1 to 1.2154 which has increased the interest rate for the Subordinated Debt

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> One Month LIBOR is assumed to be 2.029% (6/6/2016); 70% of one month LIBOR is 1.42% for the purposes of this summary

### Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Swap Report as of June 15, 2018

#### Swap Portfolio Summary

Related	Countarnarts	Initial Notional	Current Notional	Effective Date	Termination Date	Pay	Receive	Net Present Value (NPV)	NPV plus	Incure
Bonds	Counterparty	Notional	Notional	Date	Date	<del></del>		value (NPV)	Accrued Interest	Insurer
2008 B-1 / 2017 C <sup>1</sup>	JPM	\$72,747,500	\$72,747,500	6/12/2008	9/1/2039	4.038% till 12/28/2017, then 3.7835%	SIFMA till 12/28/2017, then 70%1moL	(\$18,019,057)	(\$18,774,936)	Assured
2008 B-2 / 2017 C <sup>1</sup>	MLCS	\$72,747,500	\$72,747,500	6/12/2008	9/1/2039	4.038% till 12/28/2017, then 3.77%	SIFMA till 12/28/2017, then 70%1moL	(\$17,877,546)	(\$18,630,588)	Assured
2008 C 2	JPM	\$62,277,000	\$62,196,000	6/12/2008	9/1/2035	3.500%	70%1moL	(\$10,693,845)	(\$11,289,151)	Assured
2008 C 2	MLCS	\$41,518,000	\$41,464,000	6/12/2008	9/1/2035	3.500%	70%1moL	(\$7,129,230)	(\$7,526,101)	Assured
2008 D / 2017 C 1	JPM	\$71,225,000	\$71,225,000	6/12/2008	9/1/2040	4.103% till 12/28/2017, then 3.8255%	SIFMA till 12/28/2017, then 70%1moL	(\$19,819,654)	(\$20,568,355)	Assured
		\$320,515,000	\$320,380,000				- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(\$73,539,332)	(\$76,789,131)	

#### Counterparty Ratings

Counterparty Name	Guarantor	Moody's	S&P	Fitch	Notes on Changes in Ratings	
JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	NA NA	Aa3	A+	AA-		
Merrill Lynch Capital Services, Inc	Bank of America Corp	A3	Α-	Α		

#### Insurer Ratings

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Counterparty Name	Moody's	S&P	Fitch	Notes on Changes in Ratings	
Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp	A2	AA	NR		

All values are shown at mid-market from PWSA's perspective.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The floating rate on the 2008 B-1/B-2/D swaps was converted from SIFMA to 70% of one-month LIBOR effective 12/28/2017 in conjunction with the respective refunding with the 2017C bonds. As a result, the fixed rate on the swaps were amended lower with each of the swap counterparties.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The floating rate on the 2008 C swaps was converted from SIFMA to 70% of one-month LIBOR on 11/3/14 in conjunction with the reissuance and restructuring of certain subseries of the 2008C bonds. As a result, the fixed rate on the swaps was amended from 3.998% to 3.50%.

### Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Swap Report as of June 15, 2018

### Summary by Counterparty

Counterparty	Initial Notional	Current Notional	NPV	NPV+AI	Number of Swaps
JPM	\$206,249,500	\$206,168,500	(\$48,532,556)	(\$50,632,442)	3
MLCS	\$114,265,500	\$114,211,500	(\$25,006,776)	(\$26,156,689)	2
	\$320,515,000	\$320,380,000	(\$73,539,332)	(\$76,789,131)	5

All values are shown at mid-market from PWSA's perspective.

# Exhibit KLC-2

# Schedule KLC-2 Peer Comparisons - Ratings



	City	Issuer		Ratings	
KIN KAT	Olig		Moody's	S&P	Fitch
	Baltimore	Baltimore Water Enterprise, MD	Aa3	AA	NR
	Chicago	Chicago, IL Water Fund	Baa1	Α	NR
	Criicago	Chicago, IL Sewer Fund	Baa2	Α	NR
1	Cincinnati	Greater Cincinnati Water Works, OH	Aaa	AAA	NR
	Ciriciniau	Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati, OH	Aa2	AA+	NR
	Cleveland	Cleveland Water Enterprise, OH	Aa1	AA+	NR
	Cievelariu	Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District, OH	Aa1	AA+	NR
<b>⇔</b> GLWA	Detroit	Great Lakes Water Authority Water Enterprise, MI	А3	Α-	Α
MLGW	Memphis	Memphis Water Enterprise, TN	Aa1	AAA	NR
Philadelphia  Maler Department	Philadelphia	City of Philadelphia Water and Wastewater, PA	A1	A+	A+
PGH <sub>0</sub> O	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority, PA	A2	Α	NR
TAMPA BAY WATER	Tampa Bay	Tampa Bay Water, FL	Aa1	AA+	AA+
dc water is life	Washington DC	District of Columbia Water & Sewer Authority, DC	Aa1	AAA	NR



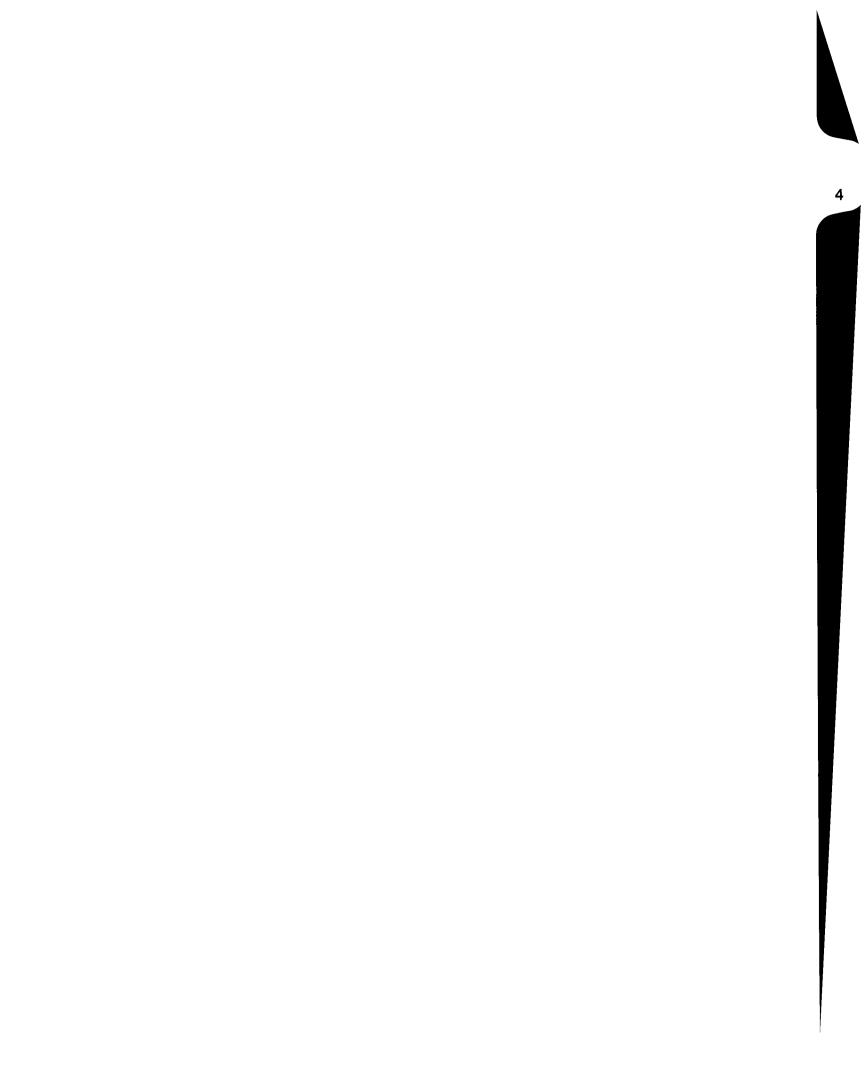


# Comparables

Moody's Financial Ratio Analysis	Tampa Bay Water	Memphis (City of) Water Enterprise	Cleveland (City of) Water Enterprise	Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District	District of Columbia Water & Sewer Authority	of Water	Atlanta (City Of) Water & Wstwtr Enterprise	Louisville & Jefferson County Metro. Sewer District	Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority	Allegheny County Sanitary Authority	Great Lakes Water Authority Water Enterprise	Westmoreland County Municipal Authority
Year	2017	2016	2016	2016	2017	2017	2017	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
Current Senior Most Rating	Aa1	Aa1	Aa1	Aa1	Aa1	Aa3	Aa2	Aa3	A2	A1	A3	A1
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Total Current Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (\$000)	57,212	22,208	340,292	296,131	212,467	18,845	831,796	52,544	21,620	119,248	167,293	15,068
Total Revenue Bonds (\$000)	N/A	43,870	584,525	N/A	N/A	912,410	2,740,300	1,865,260	N/A	572,730	N/A	N/A
Total Long Term Debt (\$000)	956,758	43,870	720,290	1,617,836	3,224,567	912,410	2,924,317	2,093,573	743,863	572,730	2,730,988	536,835
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Total Operating Revenues (\$000)	156,150	99,847	310,107	313,037	624,447	163,563	486,285	259,634	180,727	170,182	385,425	94,420
Gross Revenues (\$000)	158,414	100,586	316,099	323,187	628,187	165,734	621,905	273,907	181,110	171,279	400,640	98,078
Total O&M Expenses (\$000)	68,155	76,518	159,056	119,035	299,474	118,923	222,664	87,205	131,936	70,178	145,821	56,075
Net Revenues (\$000)	90,259	24,068	157,043	204,152	328,713	46,811	399,241	186,702	49,174	101,101	254,819	42,003
Total Annual Senior Lien Debt Service (\$000)	84,470	1,260	67,874	63,428	62,526	33,795	203,944	121,076	50,754	N/A	128,178	27,982
Total Annual Debt Service (\$000)	84,470	1,260	78,588	112,987	169,346	50,674	213,856	137,857	53,174	45,749	171,139	27,982
				Fle	nancial Data : Ke	y Financial Ratios					Maria I	1111
Operating ratio (%)	43.6	76.6	51.3	38	48	72.7	45.8	33.6	73	41.2	37.8	59.4
Debt Ratio (%)	62.2	12.8	29.9	52.3	62.8	56	45.6	70.2	105.1	65.6	113.1	100.7
Total Annual Senior Lien DSC (x)	1.1	19.1	2.3	3.2	5.3	1.4	2	1.5	1	N/A	2	1.5
Total Annual Debt Service Coverage (x)	1.1	19.1	. 2	1.8	1.9	0.9	1.9	1.4	0.9	2.2	1.5	1.5

Source: Moody's Investor Service





# BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

### DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

### **JULIE QUIGLEY**

### ON BEHALF OF THE PITTSBURGH WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY

Docket Nos. R-2018-3002645 and R-2018-3002647

Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Initial Tariff Filing and Rate Requests

July 2, 2018

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#### Introduction I. 1 2 0. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND CURRENT POSITION WITH PWSA. 3 A. My name is Julie Quigley, and I am the Director of Administration for The Pittsburgh 4 Water and Sewer Authority ("PWSA" or "Authority"). 5 Q. HOW LONG HAVE YOU HELD THIS POSITION? 6 A. I have held this current position for eight months. Previously, I was an employee of 7 PWSA for 22 years. I left for a job opportunity in the private sector from 2011 through 8 2017. 9 O. WHAT ARE YOUR VARIOUS JOB RESPONSIBILITIES? 10 A. In my current position, I am responsible for oversight and management of the Customer 11 Service and Information Technology departments; including day to day operations, 12 departmental initiatives, and innovative partnerships with third party providers. 13 O. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE. 14 I obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree at Duquesne University, and I have 28 years of Α. 15 utility billing experience. My initial role at PWSA was entry level while in college. 16 When I left employment in 2011, I was PWSA's Customer Services Manager. In the 17 private sector, I processed electronic Earned Income Tax ("EIT") employer filings. I 18 then designed, developed, launched, and managed monthly/quarterly sewage, stormwater, 19 and refuse billing and collection for 24 municipalities with less than 10 employees. 20 HAVE YOU EVER PROVIDED TESTIMONY BEFORE THIS COMMISSION? Q. 21 A. No. 22 0. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY IN THIS PROCEEDING? I will detail the programs that PWSA very recently implemented to assist low income 23 Α. 24 Residential customers and will discuss the efforts undertaken by PWSA to revise its 25 existing customer service processes (including billing and collections) to achieve

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1 compliance with the rules and regulations of the Public Utility Commission ("PUC" or 2 "Commission"). In the last part of my testimony, I explain the process undertaken by 3 PWSA to develop the proposed water and wastewater tariffs in a format consistent with 4 traditional PUC-regulated utility tariffs and highlight some specific areas related to this 5 process. PWSA's proposed Initial Water Tariff is contained in Exhibit JAO-1, which can 6 be found in Tab 1 of Volume IV. PWSA's proposed Initial Wastewater Tariff is 7 contained in Exhibit JAO-3, which can be found in Tab 3 of Volume IV. Disposition 8 Tables showing how the sections of PWSA's existing Rules and Regulations (aka 9 Official Prior Tariff) have been incorporated into the new proposed initial tariffs are set 10 forth on Exhibit JAQ-2 (water) and Exhibit JAQ-3 (wastewater), which can be found at 11 Tabs 2 and 4 of Volume IV.

### 12 II. <u>Programs Benefiting Low Income Customers</u>

- 13 Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE STEPS THAT PWSA HAS TAKEN IN THE LAST
  14 SEVERAL YEARS TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF SERVICE PROVIDED
  15 TO LOW INCOME CUSTOMERS.
- 16 Low income Residential customers previously had no Authority-sponsored financial A. 17 relief, with the most negative impact felt when faced with termination of their water 18 service for non-payment. On October 26, 2017, the PWSA Board of Directors passed a 19 Winter Shut Off Moratorium resolution and instructed staff to produce a full Customer Assistance Program solution. On November 8, 2017, the PWSA Board passed the Bill 20 21 Discount Program resolution and authorized a management agreement with Dollar Energy Fund. On January 26, 2018, when funds became available as a result of a 22 settlement, the PWSA Board designated the resulting funds to be utilized for a Cash 23 24 Assistance Program.

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Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE CURRENT CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS THAT ARE AVAILABLE.

3 A. The current PWSA Customer Assistance Program is comprised of:

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- 1) Winter Shut Off Moratorium December 1st through March 31st for customers who are at or below 250% of the Federal Poverty Level; 1,695 customers took advantage of the 2017-2018 Winter Shut Off Moratorium.
  - 2) Bill Discount Program 50% reduction of fixed monthly water and sewer conveyance charges for customers at or below 150% of the Federal Poverty Level; 2,007 customers have enrolled in the Bill Discount Program thus far in 2018.
  - 3) Hardship Program Cash grants up to \$300 per year for customers at or below 150% of the Federal Poverty Level; 80 customers have applied for grants via the Hardship Program in 2018.
  - 4) Private Lead Line Replacement Community Environmental Project –
    Private side lead line replacements for customers who are at or below 250% of the
    Federal Poverty Level; over 300 customers have benefited from this program in 2018.
- Q. DOES PWSA PLAN TO CONTINUE THESE PROGRAMS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE PUC?
- 18 A. Yes. PWSA is committed to assisting low income Residential customers and believes
  19 that this package of programs is reasonable and appropriate to continue in PWSA's new
  20 PUC Tariff. The Bill Discount Program is Rider BDP in the Water Tariff¹ and Rider
  21 BDP in the Wastewater Tariff.² The other programs, which do not directly impact the
  22 rate(s) paid by low income customers are not memorialized in the proposed PUC Tariffs.

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See Exhibit JAQ-1 located in Tab 1 of Volume IV.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Exhibit JAQ-3, located in Tab 3 of Volume IV.

Since the programs are relatively new, PWSA believes that that it would be best to
maintain the current programs without change, so that their effectiveness can be
accurately assessed. In future proceedings, PWSA is looking forward to working with
the Commission and the Parties on a going forward basis to evaluate and make needed
improvements in the existing programs.

### III. Aligning Customer Service Processes With PUC Requirements

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- Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE WHAT STEPS PWSA HAS TAKEN TO ALIGN ITS CUSTOMER SERVICE PROCESSES WITH PUC REQUIREMENTS REGARDING BILLING, COLLECTIONS AND INQUIRIES.
- 10 As part of coming under the jurisdiction of the PUC, PWSA desires to become a highly A. 11 responsive and trusted public utility that is recognized for excellence and valued by the 12 customers that it serves. Very early on, we realized that an important part of achieving 13 this goal is to learn about and understand the Commission's expectations and 14 requirements regarding customer service issues. I and my team have received significant 15 guidance and assistance from staff of the Bureau of Consumer Affairs ("BCS"), who first 16 came to visit PWSA on December 6-7, 2017. We have been working with them since 17 that time to learn what is required and to update our customer processes consistent with 18 PUC requirements and expectations.

# 19 Q. PLEASE PROVIDE MORE DETAILS ABOUT HOW THIS PROCESS HAS UNFOLDED.

A. Beginning with the initial meeting, BCS staff took Customer Service personnel through
every line item within 52 Pa. Code Chapter 56 and explained what is intended and
expected. As we became better educated about PUC expectations through this
knowledge sharing, PWSA created a new Compliance group in Customer Service, which
involved the drafting of new job descriptions, interviewing, and training. We also held

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multiple training sessions with PWSA's Customer Service, Field Operations, and Engineering departments to ensure that they understood the PUC's expectations and the changes needed to achieve compliance. Under regulation, customers facing a threat to their service due to non-payment must be offered payment arrangements with no downpayment and stretched to up to 60 months, and customers with a Protection from Abuse Order (PFA) or Court Order have special protections to maintain service. PWSA has ensured that all Customer Service Representatives have been trained on these new processes, and management staff is regularly monitoring and providing additional training. Also due to PUC regulation, Customer Service worked with BCS' assistance to revise all collection notices for common language, and new notices such as the 3-day termination of service and shut off posting were created and put into use. Furthermore, the Water Exoneration Hearing Board and associated appeal process were disbanded, as they were replaced by the PA PUC Complaint process. HAS PWSA ALSO UPDATED ITS RULES AND REGULATIONS TO REFLECT ITS EFFORT TO COMPLY WITH CHAPTER 56 REGULATIONS?

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Yes. PWSA voluntarily agreed to use the Commission's procedures to process customer disputes on and after April 1, 2018 in accordance with: (1) Pa Code Chapters 1, 3, and 5; and, (2) 52 Pa Code §§ 56.140-56.181. PWSA also agreed to use the Commission's termination rules set forth at 52 Pa. Code §§ 56.81-56.131. To memorialize this intent, PWSA undertook the effort to revise the applicable sections of its written "Rules and Regulations." These proposed revisions were approved by the PWSA Board on March 23, 2018 and filed on March 30, 2018 with the Commission as part of the documents constituting PWSA's Official Prior Tariff.

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Q.	HAVE THESE NEW PROCESSES SERVED A POSITIVE ROLE IN PWSA'S
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3 A. Yes. In Customer Service, the goal is a one call resolution. After every interaction, the 4 customer is asked, "Are you satisfied with the information provided to you?" If the 5 customer response is negative, the new Complaint process is launched with the following 6 stages: Inquiry, Dispute, Informal Complaint, and Formal Complaint. Having these 7 processes in place has been useful for double checking that we are addressing the 8 customer concerns that are brought to our attention. This dedicated process also allows 9 the PWSA staff members addressing these concerns to acquire valuable experience in 10 how to reach a mutually satisfactory result. I believe that the working relationship 11 established between PWSA and BCS staff, and the results that have already been 12 achieved, have been very positive.

# Q. DO YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT HOW PWSA'S EFFORTS HAVE BEEN REFLECTED IN CUSTOMER PERCEPTION OF THE SERVICE IT PROVIDES?

Each month, PWSA publishes testimony from satisfied customers in our Currents newsletter, which is available on our web site, <a href="www.pgh2o.com">www.pgh2o.com</a>. PWSA also realized a 37% reduction in Disputes and a 14% reduction in Informal Complaints between the months of April and May 2018, and, to date, PWSA has had only three formal complaints filed with the PUC. Ultimately, though, customer satisfaction is difficult to quantify. One can perform after-call surveys; however, one cannot guarantee that those who were satisfied with their service will participate. In fact, customers that I speak with invariably preface their compliments with, "I know that you rarely hear any good news from customers, but...." PWSA, however, is fully committed to the goal of becoming a highly responsive and trusted public utility that is recognized for excellence and valued by the

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customers it serves and, therefore, will continue to strive to learn about where it can improve existing processes to best satisfy its customers.

### IV. Proposed Initial Tariffs

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### 4 Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN WHAT CONSTITUTES PWSA'S "PRIOR TARIFF."

5 A. PWSA's rates and service rules are not set forth in a traditional PUC tariff format

6 because PWSA has never been regulated by the PUC prior to the passage of Act 65.

Rather, PWSA has maintained written "Rules and Regulations" which consist of the

following six chapters:

Chapter 1: Conditions of Service, Definitions

Chapter 2: Customer Rights and Obligations

11 Chapter 3: Rates and Charges, Abatement, Billing and Collection

Chapter 4: Development Within the Authority's Service Area

Chapter 5: Water

14 Chapter 6: Sewers

Pursuant to Act 65, the term "prior tariff" means "the tariff, rate schedule and riders incorporated into the tariff, including the terms and conditions or other documents setting forth the rates and terms and conditions of service provided by an authority on the date the commission assumes jurisdiction over the authority." Act 65 further provides that PWSA's Prior Tariff has the force and effect of law, and will continue, until the effective date of a Commission order approving rules in a new tariff. In its Final Implementation Order, the PUC directed PWSA to file "the documents that will serve as the official

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 66 Pa.C.S. § 3203(c)(emphasis added).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 66 Pa.C.S. § 3203(a).

1		PWSA Prior Tariff" no later than April 1, 2018. <sup>5</sup> In accordance with this directive,
2		PWSA filed its then-existing Rules and Regulations on March 30, 2018.
3	Q.	SUBSEQUENT TO THE MARCH 30 FILING, DID PWSA IDENTIFY AN ERROR IN THE RATES PROVIDED?
5	A.	Yes. As PWSA was preparing for this proceeding, it was discovered that the minimum
6		consumption charges for the non-fire-fighting use of Hydrants (located in Section
7		305.2(3)(c)(i)) and Fire systems (located in Section 305.3.2) set forth in the March 30
8		Filing were out-of-date and did not reflect the actual rates that were approved by the
9		PWSA Board at its November 8, 2017 meeting and put into place effective January 1,
10		2018. To correct this error, revised pages 3-6 and 3-7 were filed on June 22, 2018.
11 12	Q.	DID THE REVISED PAGES CHANGE ANY OF PWSA'S RATES THAT WERE IN EFFECT ON APRIL 1, 2018?
13	A.	No. The revised pages were submitted to state the correct minimum charges for Hydrants
14		and Fire systems (when used for purposes other than fighting fires) that were approved by
15		the PWSA Board on November 8, 2017 and put into place effective January 1, 2018. The
16		rates for these charges set forth in the March 30 Filing did not accurately state the charges
17		that were in effect on April 1, 2018.

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Implementation of Chapter 32 of the Public Utility Code Re Pittsburgh Water And Sewer Authority, Docket Nos. M-2018-264082 and M-2016-2640803, Final Implementation Order entered March 15, 2018 ("FIO") at 9-10, 44, and Ordering Paragraph 2.

At the request of PUC staff, a verified statement from me was filed on June 26, 2016 to further support the June 22, 2018 filing.

1 2	Q.	BASED ON THIS, PLEASE DESCRIBE WHAT CONSTITUTES PWSA'S PRIOR TARIFF FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PROCEEDING.
3	A.	PWSA's Prior Tariff consists of the March 30, 2018 filing as corrected by the June 22,
4		2018 filing and is contained in Exhibit JAQ-5, which can be found in Tab 5 of Volume
5		IV of this filing.
6 7	Q.	PLEASE DESCRIBE THE RULES UNDER PWSA'S PROPOSED INITIAL PUC TARIFFS.
8	A.	PWSA is proposing new tariffs to replace its prior rules for water, wastewater and
9		stormwater service so that the format more closely follows the Commission's traditional
10		tariff format. As I noted earlier, the proposed initial tariffs for water and wastewater are
11		in Volume IV.
12 13	Q.	DO THE PROPOSED INITIAL TARIFFS INCORPORATE CHAPTERS 1, 3, 5 AND 56 ISSUES WHERE APPROPRIATE?
14	A.	Yes. As I discussed previously, one of PWSA early priorities was to learn about and
15		incorporate the Commission's Chapters 1, 3 and 5 complaint handling processes as well
16		as the standards and billing practices for residential customers contained in Chapter 56.
17		PWSA updated its then-existing Rules and Regulations to incorporate these processes.
18		Those revised Rules and Regulations were filed with the Commission on March 30, 2018
19		as part of PWSA's Official Prior Tariff. The proposed Initial Tariffs incorporate, where
20		appropriate, the revisions that we have already made to PWSA's Official Prior Tariff (aka
21		PWSA's Rules and Regulations) to incorporate Chapters 1, 3, 5 and 56 processes. In this
22		process of developing the Initial Tariffs, we did not identify any new changes that were
23		needed to be in compliance with Chapters 1, 3, 5 or 56 of the Commission's regulations.

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#### A. Process to Develop Proposed Initial Tariffs

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2 Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN THE PROCESS THAT WAS USED TO DEVELOP THE PROPOSED INITIAL WATER TARIFF.

A. We started with the PUC's model water tariff and compared the provisions in the model with PWSA's existing Rules and Regulations. For those provisions in the model water tariff that were consistent with PWSA's existing operations, we next analyzed the appropriate language to propose in PWSA's Initial Water Tariff. In some instances, we concluded that the PUC "model" language was appropriate. In other instances, we determined that PWSA's language would be better from either an operational standpoint or in terms of providing more clarity for customers (i.e. our existing language provided more detail consistent with the concept in the model tariff). Decisions on each of these sections were made after a careful review of the purpose of the model tariff language and PWSA's existing Rules and Regulations with the intent of adapting the language we believe best accommodates the circumstances of PWSA's operations and customers. Where PWSA has elected to maintain its existing Rules and Regulations, which are consistent with the intent of the model tariffs but may be stated differently, PWSA is proposing to do so because its language and operating processes are embedded in PWSA's training, procedures and systems. For each of these, PWSA has concluded that abandoning its existing language simply for the purpose of matching the model tariff language would create unnecessary confusion.

# Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN THE PROCESS THAT WAS USED TO DEVELOP THE PROPOSED INITIAL WASTEWATER TARIFF.

A. Once we completed the process of developing the proposed Initial Water Tariff, we turned to the wastewater tariff. For this process, we again started with the PUC model tariff along with the draft PWSA proposed Initial Water Tariff. For this effort, we

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2		PWSA's existing operations. We also worked to create symmetry, where possible, with
3		the proposed Initial Water Tariff. Therefore, where appropriate, the language we
4		proposed for the Initial Water Tariff, which is appropriate to include in the proposed
5		Initial Wastewater Tariff, is replicated. This was done to ensure consistency across both
6		tariffs for ease of both our operations and customers.
7 8 9	Q.	WERE DISPOSITION TABLES PREPARED TO SHOW WHERE PROVISIONS OF THE OFFICIAL PRIOR TARIFF ARE LOCATED IN THE PROPOSED INITIAL TARIFFS?
10	A.	Yes. Exhibits JAQ-2 (water) and JAQ-4 (wastewater) identify all of the sections
11		contained in the proposed initial tariffs and where, if applicable, the similar section is
12		located in our existing Rules and Regulations (aka the Prior Tariff). These exhibits also
13		identify those issues that are not contained in PWSA's existing Rules and Regulations but
14		are included in the proposed initial tariffs.
15		B. Stormwater Provisions
16	Q.	HOW DOES PWSA PROPOSE TO HANDLE TARIFF PROVISIONS RELATED

focused again on analyzing the provisions of the PUC's model wastewater tariff and

## 16 Q. HOW DOES PWSA PROPOSE TO HANDLE TARIFF PROVISIONS RELATED 17 TO STORMWATER SERVICE?

As explained more fully in the testimony of Mr. Weimar (PWSA St. No. 1) and Ms.

Lestitian (PWSA St. No. 2), PWSA is moving toward developing and implementing a separate stormwater service consistent with the Commission's decision to exercise jurisdiction over stormwater service. As an initial step in this process, we have included PWSA's existing stormwater Rules and Regulations in Part IV of the proposed Initial Wastewater Tariff (there is no PUC model stormwater tariff). Those stormwater-related

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In its Final Implementation Order, the Commission directed PWSA to file a tariff and compliance plan to implement a separate stormwater tariff no later than its next wastewater base rate filing following this proceeding. FIO at 31.

rules will subsequently be moved to the separate Stormwater Tariff when that is proposed.

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C. Differences Between Model Tariffs and PWSA Rules & Regulations

## 4 Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN PWSA'S VIEW OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE 5 MODEL TARIFFS AND PWSA'S EXISTING RULES AND REGULATIONS.

As noted above, PWSA largely adopted the language of the model tariffs in its proposed initial tariffs. In some instances, PWSA elected to propose to continue to use its existing language describing a particular rule, which may not exactly track the language in the model tariff but still has the effect of adopting the substance and intent of the model tariff. For other areas, we analyzed on a case-by-case basis every area in the model tariffs where PWSA initially concluded that it could not adopt the model tariff language or rely on existing PWSA language to satisfy the intent of the model language, because the model tariff does not track existing PWSA practices or rules. We broke these differences down into three categories: (1) model tariff sections where PWSA appears to have discretion because the model tariff language is not rooted in statutory or regulatory requirements; (2) model tariff sections based on regulatory requirements which PWSA cannot accommodate at this time; and, (3) non-existent model tariff sections.

# Q. PLEASE IDENTIFY THOSE ISSUES FOR WHICH PWSA ELECTED TO EXERCISE DISCRETION REGARDING ITS PROPOSED INITIAL TARIFFS.

There are several issues that fall within this category. First, both model tariffs include a "customer charge" which is a fixed charge that does not account for any particular volume of water used by the customer. PWSA's "Minimum Charge" is set to include a volume of water (the minimum gallons or Consumption Block). As further explained by Harold Smith (PWSA St. No. 5), PWSA is not proposing at this time to unbundle its fixed costs from consumption charges to develop a new fixed fee. Therefore, PWSA

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proposes to utilize its present "Minimum Charge" structure and has included its definition of this charge in both initial tariffs.

A second issue involves not including the State Tax Adjustment Surcharge ("STAS") in PWSA's Initial Tariffs since PWSA is not subject to (and is not recovering) the taxes listed in the model provision.

The third issue involves PWSA's ownership of water service lines. For residential water service lines 1-inch in diameter and smaller, PWSA's existing rules set forth ownership consistent with the model tariff. However, PWSA's ownership rules for residential water service lines larger than 1-inch and all non-residential service lines differ in that the property owner has ownership to the water main. PWSA proposes to maintain its existing ownership rules as it does not interpret the assumption of jurisdiction by the PUC as requiring a change to these ownership rules.

A forth issue regarding PWSA's proposed Initial Water Tariff is its proposal to bill non-fire consumption of water from hydrants at a unique rate rather than at the "regular" rate for water consumption. The use of a unique rate is consistent with the infrequent use of hydrants for non-fire purposes, as compared to the more frequent use of water for other purposes.

A final issue regarding PWSA's proposed Initial Water tariff is to continue to use hydrant permits to make water available for construction purposes. The model tariff uses a separate "construction rate" for such water. It was not practical for this filing to create a new rate related to this purpose.

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2 PWSA'S PROPOSED INITIAL TARIFFS IMPLICATE PUC REGULATIONS? 3 Yes. While the differences described above appear to leave open to PWSA the choice to A. 4 continue existing practices, the model tariff provisions related to line/main extensions (52) 5 Pa. Code §§ 65.21 and 65.7(b)) and pressures (52 Pa.Code § 65.6) are based on 6 Commission regulations. The Commission stated in the Final Implementation Order that 7 it expects PWSA's Compliance Plan to "detail how PWSA will reach ultimate end-state compliance with the Public Utility Code and Commission regulations."8 Based on this as 8 9 well as PWSA's overall understanding of the Commission's Final Implementation Order, 10 PWSA is not filing a separate petition for waiver of these regulations but, if needed for 11 purposes of approving its proposed initial tariffs in this proceeding, PWSA specifically 12 requests a waiver of these Commission's regulations. 13 HOW DO THE COMMISSION'S REGULATIONS REGARDING LINE 0. 14 EXTENSIONS AND PROVIDING METERS (AS SET FORTH IN THE MODEL 15 TARIFF) RELATE TO THE LINE EXTENSION/FEE PROVISIONS OF THE 16 **MUNICIPALITY AUTHORITIES ACT ("MAA").** Section 65.21 of the Commission's regulations require public utilities to make line 17 A. 18 extensions available and specifically detail how to calculate the amount a customer may 19 be required to pay for the line extension and the basis upon which to determine the 20 utility's investment for the line extension. Section 65.7(b) of the Commission's 21 regulations provide that, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, a public utility must provide, install at its own expense and continue to own, maintain and operate all 22 meters. These requirements are not consistent with the Municipality Authorities Act 23

("MAA"), the statute under which PWSA was created. The fees that municipal

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authorities are permitted to charge property owners, which includes both residential and commercial properties, desiring to connect to the municipal system are specifically identified with detailed formulas about how such fees are to be calculated (rooted in actual costs). The fees authorized by the MAA include: (1) connection fee; (2) customer facilities fee; and, (3) tapping fee. The MAA also specifically states that "no authority shall have the power to impose a connection fee, customer facilities fee, tapping fee or similar fee except as provided specifically under this section." The PUC's regulations conflict with the MAA because: (1) the line extension rules only apply to residential lines and include a formula for calculating the advance payment fee that is not consistent with the MAA; and, (2) the requirement that a public utility install water meters at its own expense directly contradicts the authorization under the MAA to collect a customer facilities fee for meter installation. PWSA's existing Rules and Regulations are consistent with the requirements of the MAA. PWSA is not proposing any revisions to these existing fees at this time because: (1) the fees are collected in compliance with the provisions of the MAA; (2) the MAA limits PWSA's fee authority to those fees in compliance with its provisions; (3) Section 65.7(b) of the Commission's regulations specifically recognize the ability of the Commission to authorize a public utility to receive payment from a meter; and, (4) PWSA has not had the opportunity to evaluate how revising its fee structure on this issue would impact operations and revenue structure.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 53 Pa.C.S. § 5807(d)(24).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> 52 Pa. C.S. § 5807(d)(24)(iii)(emphasis added).

Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY PWSA IS NOT ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE THE COMMISSION REQUIREMENTS IN SECTION 65.6 RELATED TO NORMAL OPERATING PRESSURE.

Section 65.6 of the Commission's regulations set forth specific operating pressures that must be maintained at the main. At this time, PWSA does not measure or track pressures in a manner that would comply with the minimum and maximum pressure requirements of this section and, therefore, proposes to maintain service at historic pressures at the main. This issue, and how PWSA may be able to comply with the Commission's regulation in the future, are continuing to be reviewed by PWSA and we anticipate addressing it in the metering plan that will be filed as part of our September 2018 compliance plan. Any approved changes resulting from that filing can be included in future tariff revisions. Therefore, for now, PWSA proposes to maintain current processes on this issue.

# Q. IS THERE A FINAL ISSUE PWSA PROPOSES TO ADDRESS THAT IS NOT CONTAINED WITHIN THE MODEL TARIFF?

Yes. As a municipal authority, PWSA has the authority to pursue municipal liens on property where water and/or wastewater charges remain unpaid. Since the PUC does not have jurisdiction regarding liens, PWSA is not proposing to include its applicable Rules and Regulations regarding liens in its initial tariffs. PWSA will, however, set forth its requirements, consistent with the empowering statute, related to liens in a document entitled "PWSA Supplemental Service Conditions." The document will be available to customers on PWSA's website and is referenced in appropriate sections of PWSA's proposed initial tariffs. For clarity, PWSA will continue to file liens against properties

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> 52 P.S. §§ 7101-7112.

- where arrearages have developed. PWSA's policy is to pursue liens only after all other
- 2 collection attempts have failed and, in most cases, after service has been terminated.
- 3 V. Conclusion
- 4 Q. DOES THAT COMPLETE YOUR DIRECT TESTIMONY?
- 5 A. Yes.

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# BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

#### DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

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## ON BEHALF OF THE PITTSBURGH WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY

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#### I. <u>INTRODUCTION AND QUALIFICATIONS</u>

- 2 O. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.
- 3 A. My name is Harold J. Smith and my business address is 227 West Trade Street, Charlotte,
- 4 North Carolina, 28202.

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- 5 O. BY WHOM ARE YOU EMPLOYED AND IN WHAT CAPACITY.
- 6 A. I am a Vice President of Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. (Raftelis), a consulting firm
- 7 specializing in the areas of water and wastewater finance and pricing. Raftelis was
- 8 established in 1993 in Charlotte, North Carolina, by George A. Raftelis to provide
- 9 financial and management consulting services to public and private sector clients.
- 10 Raftelis is a national leader in the development of water and wastewater rates.

## 11 Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND WORK EXPERIENCE.

- 13 A. I obtained a Master of Business Administration from Wake Forest University in 1997 and
- a Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources from the University of the South in 1987. As
- an employee of Raftelis Financial Consultants, I have been involved in numerous projects
- for public utilities including a number of studies involving a wide range of technical
- specialties including water utility cost of service and rate structure studies and water
- 18 utility financial planning studies.

## 19 Q. HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY TESTIFIED BEFORE ANY REGULATORY AGENCIES ON UTILITY RATE RELATED MATTERS?

- 21 A. Yes. I provided testimony before the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (RIPUC)
- in Providence Water Supply Board's eight most recent filings before the Rhode Island
- 23 Public Utility Commission (RIPUC) (Docket Nos. 3832, 4061, 4070, 4080, 4287, 4406,
- 4571, and 4618) and in Newport Water's eight most recent filings (RIPUC Docket Nos.

1		3578, 3675, 3818, 4025, 4128, 4243, 4355 and 4595). I have also provided testimony on
2		water, sewer and stormwater rate related matters before the Tennessee Regulatory
3		Authority as well as in court proceedings in Arizona, Connecticut, Indiana, Maryland and
4		Maine.
5 6	Q.	DO YOU BELONG TO ANY PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OR COMMITTEES?
7	A.	Yes. I am a member of the American Water Works Association where I served as
8		chairman of the Competitive Practices Committee and I am a member of the New
9		England Water Works Association.
10 11 12	Q.	HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY TESTIFIED IN PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION (PAPUC) ON BEHALF OF PWSA?
13	A.	No, I have not.
14	II.	PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY
15	Q.	PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR ROLE IN THIS PROCEEDING?
16	A.	I was tasked by PWSA to perform cost allocations and develop cost based rates and
17		charges for both water and wastewater conveyance service. The results of my analyses
18		are included in the schedules incorporated herein with my testimony.
19	Q.	PLEASE DESCRIBE THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY.
20	A.	I am sponsoring PWSA's class cost of service studies ("CCOSS") and rate designs for
21		both the water and wastewater conveyance tariffs. The purpose of the CCOSS' is to
22		allocate PWSA's costs of providing service to each rate class. The rate design analysis
23		results in water and wastewater conveyance rates that help ensure that PWSA's costs are
24		recovered from each class in a fair and equitable manner and in a way that reflects the

1		CCOSS and rate design analysis that supports the proposed water tariff and will then
2		address the CCOSS and rate design analysis that supports the proposed sewer tariff.
3	Q.	HAVE YOU PERFORMED SIMILAR ANALYSES FOR PWSA IN THE PAST?
4	A.	Yes, Raftelis performed a water and sewer rate study for PWSA in 2016 and again in
5		2017; however, these analyses were not in support of a filing before the Pennsylvania
6		Public Utility Commission.
7 8	Q.	HOW DOES YOUR TESTIMONY RELATE TO THAT OF OTHER PWSA WITNESSES?
9	A.	The testimony of Ms. Lestitian and Ms. Clupper supports PWSA's revenue requirements
10		for both water and sewer service. My testimony uses PWSA's revenue requirements for
11		the Fully Projected Future Test Year ("FPFTY") as a starting point. It also relies on the
12		inputs and assumptions that went into the determination of the FPFTY.
13 14	Q.	PLEASE PROVIDE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE EXHIBITS THAT YOU ARE SPONSORING.
15 16	A.	My testimony includes two separate sets of exhibits, one set for water rates and another
17		set for wastewater conveyance rates. They are as follows:
18		1. Water Cost of Service Allocation and Rate Design Methodology Exhibits:
19		a. HJS-1W FPFTY Water Revenue Requirements: This schedule shows the water
20		revenue requirements that must be recovered from the various water rates and
21		charges assessed by PWSA.
22		b. HJS-2W Assignment to Functional Categories: This schedule shows the way in
23		which the FPFTY revenue requirements are allocated to different functional
24		categories.
25		c. HJS-3W Allocation to Base/Extra Capacity Categories: This schedule shows
26		the way in which the FPFTY revenue requirements are allocated to different cost
27		of service categories.

2 factors used to assign costs to functional categories and to allocate costs to the cost of services categories and to customer classes. 3 e. HJS-5W Allocation Factor Detail: This shows the derivation of the allocation 4 factors presented in Schedule HJS-4W. 5 f. HJS-6W Water Units of Service: Projected water consumption and peaking 6 7 factors for each customer are shown on this schedule. g. HJS-7W Water Unit Cost of Service: This schedule shows the calculation of the 8 unit costs of providing service to meet the various and extra capacity demands place 9 10 on the water system as well as the unit cost of the various components of the Minimum Charge. 11 h. HJS-8W Cost Distribution to Customer Classes: The allocation of categorized 12 costs to customer classes based on their demand characteristics is shown on this 13 schedule. 14 i. HJS-9W Minimum Charge Calculation: This schedule demonstrates the 15 calculation of the Minimum Charges. 16 j. HJS-10W Proposed Rates: This schedule shows the proposed water Minimum 17 Charges and Volume Charges for each customer class, Fire System Charges, and 18 the percent change that the proposed charges represent over existing rates. 19 k. HJS-11W FPFTY CCOSS Comparison - Water: This schedule shows the 20 allocation of water rate revenue as indicated by the CCOSS as well as revenue by 21 class for the FPFTY under existing rates and proposed rates. 22 1. HJS-12W Comparison of Revenues by Customer Class: This schedule provides 23 a comparison of revenue generated from each customer class under both the 24 existing and proposed rates. Also shown is the percent difference between revenues 25 under existing and proposed rates. This schedule also provides a comparison of 26 revenue by class with the indicated class cost of service. 27 28

d. HJS-4W Allocation Factor Summary: This schedule provides a summary of the

1	1	m. HJS-13W Typical Bill Comparison: This schedule provides a comparison of
2		typical monthly bills under the existing and proposed rates for typical customers
3		from each customer class.
4	1	n. HJS-14W Revenue Proof: This schedule provides a summary of the revenue
5		requirements and revenue to be recovered under the proposed rates.
6	•	o. HJS-15W Projected Units of Service: This schedule summarizes consumption
7		data for each of PWSA's customer classes for the HTY, FTY, FPFTY and the
8		previous two fiscal years.
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10	2.	Sewer Cost of Service Allocation and Rate Design Methodology Exhibits:
11	:	a. HJS-1WW FPFTY Sewer Revenue Requirements: This schedule shows the
12		wastewater conveyance revenue requirements that must be recovered from the
13		various rates and charges assessed by PWSA.
14	1	b. HJS-2WW Assignment to Functional Categories: This schedule shows the way
15		in which the FPFTY revenue requirements are allocated to different functional
16		categories.
17	•	c. HJS-3WW Allocation to Cost Categories: This schedule shows the way in which
18		the FPFTY revenue requirements are allocated to different cost of service
19		categories.
20		d. HJS-4WW Allocation Factor Summary: This schedule provides a summary of
21		the factors used to assign costs to functional categories and to allocate costs to the
22		cost of services categories and to customer classes.
23		e. HJS-5WW Allocation Factor Detail: This shows the derivation of the allocation
24		factors presented in Schedule HJS-4WW.
25	:	f. HJS-6WW Sewer Units of Service: Projected wastewater flow for each customer
26		class are shown on this schedule.
27	;	g. HJS-7WW Water Unit Cost of Service: This schedule shows the calculation of
28		the unit costs of providing service to meet the demands placed on the wastewater
29		conveyance system as well as the unit cost of the various components of the
30		Minimum Charge.

1		h. HJS-8WW Cost Distribution to Customer Classes: The allocation of
2		categorized costs to customer classes based on their demand characteristics is
3		shown on this schedule.
4		i. HJS-9WW Minimum Charge Calculation: This schedule demonstrates the
5		calculation of the retail Minimum Charges.
6		j. HJS-10WW Proposed Rates: This schedule shows the proposed wastewater
7		conveyance Minimum Charges and Volume Charges for each customer class and
8		the percent change that the proposed charges represent over existing rates.
9		k. HJS-11WW FPFTY CCOSS Comparison - Wastewater Conveyance: This
10		schedule shows the allocation of wastewater conveyance rate revenue as indicated
11		by the CCOSS as well as revenue by class for the FPFTY under existing rates and
12		proposed rates.
13		l. HJS-12WW Comparison of Revenues by Customer Class: This schedule
14		provides a comparison of revenue generated from each customer class under both
15		the existing and proposed rates. Also shown is the percent difference between
16		revenues under existing and proposed rates.
17		m. HJS-13WW Typical Bill Comparison: This schedule provides a comparison of
18		typical monthly bills under the existing and proposed rates for typical customers
19		from each customer class.
20		n. HJS-14WW Revenue Proof: This schedule provides a summary of the revenue
21		requirements and revenue to be recovered under the proposed rates.
22		o. HJS-15WW Projected Units of Service: This schedule summarizes consumption
23		data for each of PWSA's customer classes for the HTY, FTY, FPFTY and the
24		previous two fiscal years.
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26 27	III.	WATER COST ALLOCATION
28 29	Q.	HOW ARE WATER REVENUE REQUIREMENTS ALLOCATED TO COST CATEGORIES AND CUSTOMER CLASSES?
30	A.	Costs are allocated in a manner consistent with the methodology described in the
31		American Water Works Association (AWWA) Manual M-1 "Principles of Water Rates,

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1		Fees and Charges 7th Ed. using the Base/Extra Capacity cost allocation methodology
2		which is a three step process that involves first assigning costs to functional categories,
3		then assigning the costs from each functional category to Base/Extra Capacity cost
4		categories based on system demand characteristics and then allocating the Base/Extra
5		Capacity cost categories to customer classes based on customer class demand patterns.
6 7	Q.	HOW ARE PWSA'S OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE COSTS ASSIGNED TO FUNCTIONAL CATEGORIES?
8	A.	The process of assigning costs to functional categories allows costs to be recovered from
9		customer classes based on the way that PWSA utilizes the resources within each function
10		to meet the demands of each customer class. The functions to which costs are assigned
11		are:
12		• Supply
13		• Treatment
14		• Storage
15		Transmission/Distribution
16		• Meters
17		• Billing
18		• Fire Protection
19		Administrative Support
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21		As shown on HJS-1W, the FPFTY water operating and maintenance (O&M)
22		expenses are accounted for in a manner consistent with PWSA's O&M budget. With the
23		exception of Customer Service and Engineering & Construction, all of the budget divisions

relate directly to one functional category. As shown on HJS-2W, costs that are incurred in

support of only one function are assigned directly to that function, while costs that are

incurred in support of two or more functions are assigned to functions using allocation

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1	factors that reflect the way a particular budget division supports each function. The
2	allocation factors used to assign costs to functional categories are listed and described on
3	Schedules HJS 4W and 5W. This schedule also shows allocation factors used to allocate
4	costs to Base/Extra Capacity cost categories as described later.

#### Q. HOW ARE CUSTOMER SERVICE COSTS ASSIGNED TO FUNCTIONAL 5 **CATEGORIES?** 6

Since the Customer Service division supports both the Meters and Billing functions, 7 A. customer Service costs are assigned to functional categories using factor W-I. This factor 8 9 was developed based on an analysis of each of the cost line items in the division's budget as shown on Schedule HJS-5W. 10

#### HOW ARE ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COSTS ASSIGNED TO 0. **FUNCTIONAL CATEGORIES?**

A. The Engineering & Construction division is responsible for planning and executing PWSA's capital projects; therefore, the division's costs are allocated using factor W-J which is based on the composition of the utility's Capital Improvement Plan ("CIP") as shown on HJS-5W. Since most of PWSA's FPFTY capital budget is earmarked for 16 projects to improve, repair and replace PWSA's transmission and distribution system, the majority of the Engineering & Construction divisions costs are assigned to the 18 Transmission & Distribution functional category as shown on Schedule HJS-5W.

#### HOW ARE CAPITAL COSTS ASSIGNED TO FUNCTIONAL CATEGORIES? 0.

PWSA's capital costs consist of three components: (1) Pay-Go for cash funded capital projects; (2) debt service; and (3) contributions to reserves. To properly assign these costs to Base/Extra Capacity cost categories they must first be assigned to functional categories. With the exception of debt service, all water capital costs are assigned to

1		functions based on the make-up of the fixed assets that currently comprise the PWSA
2		water system. This process involved assigning each of PWSA's fixed assets to the
3		appropriate functional category and determining the percentage of the total value of the
4		assets that is assigned to each function. These percentages are then applied to the capital
5		costs to determine the appropriate distribution of capital costs across the functional
6		categories. Schedule HJS-2W shows the break-down of fixed assets by functional
7		categories and the resulting allocation of water capital costs to functional categories.
8	Q.	HOW IS DEBT SERVICE ASSIGNED TO FUNCTIONAL CATEGORIES?
9	A.	As shown on HJS-2W, seventy five percent (75%) of the FPFTY debt service
10		requirements are assigned to functional categories in the same manner as the other capital
11		costs with the other twenty five percent (25%) being assigned directly to the Readiness-
12		to-Serve component of the minimum charge.
13	Q.	WHAT IS THE NEXT STEP IN THE COST ALLOCATION PROCESS?
14	A.	Once costs have been assigned to functional categories, the next step is to allocate the
15		functionalized costs to Base/Extra Capacity cost categories.
16 17	Q.	HOW ARE PWSA'S COSTS ALLOCATED TO THE DIFFERENT BASE/EXTRA CAPACITY COST CATEGORIES?
18	A.	O&M and capital costs are assigned to one or more of six Base/Extra Capacity costs
19		categories based on how costs are incurred to meet the demands of the water system as a
20		whole. The assignment of costs to the Base/Extra Capacity categories is shown on
21		Schedule HJS-3W, Allocation to Base/Extra Capacity Categories.
22		The six cost categories consist of:
23		• Base – Base costs are those costs that are incurred to meet the average or "base"
24		demands of the system.

Max Day – Max Day costs are those costs that are incurred to meet peak daily 1 2 demands of the system. • Max Hour – Max Hour costs are those costs that are incurred to meet peak 3 hourly demands of the system. 4 Meters - Meter costs are the costs associated with installing, maintaining, 5 repairing and replacing water meters. 6 7 Billing – Billing costs are those costs associated with the determining each 8 customers consumption and then billing them for that consumption. Readiness-to-Serve - Readiness-to-Serve costs are the fixed costs associated 9 with the utility's investment in facilities to provide capacity that must be 10 recovered regardless of the amount of water that is sold in a given period. 11 Fire Protection –Fire protection costs are the costs associated with providing 12 and maintaining the hydrants and associated infrastructure throughout the 13 system and ensuring that the system is capable of meeting fire flow demands 14 when needed. 15 Costs are assigned to cost categories using the allocation factors listed and described on 16 Schedules HJS 4W and 5W. Most of the allocation factors are developed using system 17 wide demand data and others are developed based on other analyses. 18 PLEASE DESCRIBE HOW EACH OF THE ALLOCATION FACTORS SHOWN Q. 19 20 ON SCHEDULE HJS 4W WAS DEVELOPED. The Base allocator (W-AA) simply assigns all of the costs to the Base cost category in 21 A. recognition that these costs are incurred solely to meet the average demands placed on the 22 23 system. The Maximum Day allocation factor (W-BB) recognizes the way in which costs 24 are incurred to meet the peak day demands placed on the system by all of the customer 25 classes. This factor also allocates a small portion of costs to which it is applied to Fire 26

protection in recognition of the potential peak demand that fire protection could place on

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the system. This allocation factor is based on plant production data and is developed by dividing average day plant production by peak day plant production.

The Peak Hour allocation factor (W-CC) was developed in the same way as the Maximum Day allocation factor except that average day plant production is divided by the peak hour plant production. Similar to factor W-BB, this factor also allocates a small portion of costs to Fire Protection in recognition of the potential peak demands that fire protection places on the system.

The Customer-Meters allocation factor (W-DD) simply allocates all meter related costs to the meter component of the Minimum Charge.

The Customer-Billing allocation factor (W-EE) allocates all billing related costs to the billing component of the Minimum Charge.

The Fire Protection allocation factor (W-FF) assigns all costs to which it is applied to allocate to the Fire Protection category in recognition that these costs are incurred to meet the potential demands placed on the system by the public fire protection system and private fire connections.

The Administrative Support allocation factor (W-GG) is used to allocate costs that do not readily fall into a specific functional category. This allocation factor is based on the percentages of overall costs that are allocated to each Base/Extra Capacity cost categories once all other allocations have been performed.

The Readiness-to-Serve allocation factor (W-HH) assigns all costs to which it is applied to allocate to the Readiness-to-Serve component of the Minimum Charge.

## Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE HOW THE COSTS ARE ALLOCATED TO THE BASE EXTRA CAPACITY COST CATEGORIES

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1	A.	In the cost allocation model, allocation factors are applied to costs in each functional
2		category such that costs are allocated in a way that reflects the type of demand being met
3		by the function to which the costs have been assigned. For instance, the costs in the
4		Treatment function are allocated using the Allocation Factor W-BB which allocates costs
5		in a way that reflects that the treatment facilities are operated in a way to meet average
5		day demand as well as peak demands. Allocation Factor W-BB allocates costs to Base
7		and Max Day based on the relationship between the system peak day and the system
3		average day demand.

#### 9 Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE SOME OF THE OTHER PRIMARY ALLOCATION 10 FACTORS THAT ARE USED TO ALLOCATE COSTS TO BASE/EXTRA 11 CAPACITY CATEGORIES.

- A. In addition to Allocation Factor W-BB, which is used to allocate almost 25% of the water revenue requirements, the two factors used to allocate the majority of the revenue requirements are Allocation Factors W-CC and W-GG.
  - Allocation Factor W-CC is used to allocate costs associated with facilities used to
    meet average day, maximum day and peak hour demands, primarily costs associated
    with the transmission and distribution system.
  - Allocation Factor W-GG is a composite allocator based on the distribution of non-Administrative Support costs allocated to each of the cost categories and is used to allocate Administrative Support costs.

#### 21 O. WHAT IS THE NEXT STEP IN THE COST ALLOCATION PROCESS?

- 22 A. The next step in the allocation of water costs is the distribution of costs to each customer 23 class in a manner that reflects the way each class demand s service
  - Q. HOW ARE THE REVENUE REQUIREMENTS ALLOCATED TO EACH OF PWSA'S CUSTOMER CLASSES?

A. 1 As demonstrated on Schedule HJS-7W, the revenue requirements from each cost category are used to determine the unit cost of providing service to meet both average 2 3 day and peak demands. For example, approximately \$67.6 million in water revenue requirements were allocated to the Base cost category. This amount is reduced by 4 5 approximately \$4.4 million to reflect revenue from wholesale customers and other miscellaneous revenue, resulting in approximately \$63.2 million in Base revenue 6 7 requirements to be recovered through retail rates. This amount is divided by the FPFTY projected water sales volume required to meet the retail classes' average day demand 8 9 (approximately 8 million kgal) to arrive at the unit cost to meet average day demand of 10 \$7.92 per kgal. This unit cost is then multiplied by each class' projected annual water 11 sales volume required to meet average day demand to arrive at the amount of Base costs to be recovered from each class. For example, the Residential class is projected to 12 purchase approximately 2.8 million kgal to meet its average day demands. This amount 13 is multiplied by the unit cost of \$7.92 to arrive at the total Base costs to be recovered 14 from the Residential class. This process is repeated for each of the Base/Extra Capacity 15 cost categories and customer classes to arrive at the total costs to be recovered from each 16 17 class.

## 18 Q. HOW ARE PROJECTED AVERAGE DAY AND EXTRA CAPACITY DEMANDS 19 DETERMINED FOR EACH CUSTOMER CLASS?

A. Typically, demand projections would be based on at least three years of historical billing data.

However, since PWSA was experiencing billing issues in 2015 and 2016, customer billing data from 2017 was used as the sole basis for all demand projections used in the CCOSS.

FPFTY demand by class was set equal to the annual demand exhibited by each class in 2017. For the purpose of allocating costs and calculating rates, each class' annual

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demand was adjusted to reflect that only 95.6% of PWSA's metered and billed consumption results in revenue for the utility due to some bills being uncollectable. The average day demand for each class was then determined by dividing each class' projected annual demand by 365 days. In order to determine the units of service for allocating base/extra capacity costs between customer classes, peaking factors were developed that recognize the level of demand placed on the system by each customer class. Since PWSA was experiencing billing issues in 2015 and 2016, customer billing data from 2017 was used to establish peaking factors by customer class. Monthly customer usage by customer class and billing cycle was analyzed. Since PWSA bills customers on an average 30-day cycle, certain cycles had to be removed due to multiple billings occurring in the same month. In addition, unreasonable and irregular billing cycles and outliers were removed. These outliers were likely due to estimated meter reads or other billing errors. The normalized dataset which remained was a better representation of the usage patterns for each customer class.

Using the normalized dataset, the Maximum Month to Average Day factors for each class were calculated, as shown on HJS-6W. These factors were then adjusted by a system Maximum Day to Maximum Month factor (1.34) which was derived using PWSA water treatment plant production data for 2017. Multiplying those two factors together provided Maximum Day peaking factors for each class. In order to estimate peak hour factors, we utilized an estimated Maximum Hour to Maximum Day factor which was 1.33 for industrial and 1.66 for all other customer classes. This factor was utilized to recognize that industrial customers have stable usage patterns and typically exhibit lower peak usage. Multiplying the estimated Maximum Hour to Maximum Day factor by the

1 Maximum Day factor provided the Maximum Hour peaking factor. FPFTY demands and 2 historical demand data are shown on HJS-15W. 3 0. ARE COSTS ALLOCATED TO THE WHOLESALE CUSTOMERS? 4 A. No, the wholesale rates are determined based on existing contractual relationships 5 between PWSA and each wholesale customer. As mentioned previously, the revenue from wholesale customers is used to offset the costs that need to be recovered from 6 7 PWSA's retail customers with wholesale revenues reflecting any rate increases that are allowed by contract. 8 9 10 IV. WATER RATE DESIGN PLEASE DESCRIBE PWSA'S EXISTING WATER RATE STRUCTURE. Q. 11 PWSA's current rate structure for retail customers consists of a monthly Minimum 12 A. Charge that varies by meter size and a Volume Charge that varies by customer class. The 13 Minimum Charge is used to recover PWSA's customer costs as well as some of PWSA's 14 costs associated with providing capacity to meet customer demand. Additionally, the 15 Minimum Charge recovers the cost of a water usage allowance that also varies by meter 16 17 size. The Volume Charge is designed to recover PWSA's costs that vary based on 18 customer demand as well as the portion of PWSA's fixed costs that are not recovered 19 through the Minimum Charge. The volumetric rate per thousand gallons (kgal) of water 20

consumed varies by customer class based on the way in which each class demands

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1 2 3 4		<ul> <li>Commercial,</li> <li>Industrial,</li> <li>Health or Education, and</li> <li>Fire</li> </ul>
5 6		PWSA does not assess public fire protection charges, but does assess a monthly
7		Fire System Charge to customers with fire suppression systems connected to the PWSA
8		water system.
9		PWSA also assess a number of miscellaneous charges for various services and
10		activities that it performs periodically at the request of its customers. PWSA is not
11		seeking adjustments to any of these miscellaneous charges and, as such, they are not
12		addressed in my testimony.
13 14	Q.	ARE YOU PROPOSING TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE EXISTING RATE STRUCTURE?
15	A.	No, we are not. The existing structure is consistent with standard industry practice for
16		municipal utilities and should recover costs in a fair and equitable manner. Additionally,
17		given the circumstances surrounding this filing, it was not feasible to make significant
18		changes to the existing structure. Instead, we focused our efforts on ensuring that the
19		proposed rates reflect the cost of providing service to each class.
20	Q.	TO WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES ARE YOU REFERRING?
21	A.	A number of things have complicated the preparation of the rate filing. First, this is
22		PWSA's first filing before the PUC and, pursuant to the Act that placed PWSA under
23		PUC jurisdiction, the Authority was only given 90 days in which to prepare the filing.

Most rate filings I have participated in in other jurisdictions have required at least six

months to prepare and those were for utilities that file rate cases on a regular basis.

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1		Given the short time frame, it was not feasible to perform the analysis that would be
2		required to support significant changes in the rate structure.
3 4 5	Q.	HAD PWSA BEEN ALLOWED MORE TIME TO PREPARE THEIR RATE FILING, WOULD IT HAVE PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE RATE STRUCTURE?
6	A.	Had PWSA been allowed more time to prepare its rate filing it might have proposed the
7		elimination of the usage allowance included in the Minimum Charge. However,
8		eliminating this component of the existing rate structure results in a significant decrease
9		in fixed revenue from the Minimum Charge which, given the decline in consumption,
10		could have an adverse impact on PWSA's standing in the capital markets. Adjusting the
11		Minimum Charge such that Minimum Charge revenue without the usage allowance is
12		equal to revenue with the usage allowance results in significant adverse impacts for low
13		volume users. The short time frame given for preparation of the rate filing, as well as the
14		recent loss of key PWSA personnel, made it practically impossible to identify and
15		analyze rate structure changes that may have helped mitigate the adverse impacts of
16		restructuring the minimum charge.
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18	Q.	HOW ARE THE MINIMUM CHARGES CALCULATED?
19	A.	As shown on Schedule HJS-9W the Minimum Charges are comprised of four
20		components, the Meter component; the Billing component, the Readiness-to-Serve
21		component and the Usage component.
22	Q.	HOW IS EACH OF THESE COMPONENTS CALCULATED?
23	A.	The Meter component is calculated by dividing all costs allocated to the Meter category

by the number of 5/8" equivalent meters in the system to determine a cost per 5/8"

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equivalent meter. The meter size specific service charges are determined by then multiplying the cost per 5/8" equivalent meter by the appropriate AWWA meter equivalency ratio (shown on HJS-5W) to determine the appropriate charge for each meter size.

The Billing component is calculated by dividing the costs allocated to the Billing category by the total number of bills prepared each year to determine a unit cost per bill.

The Readiness-to-Serve component is calculated by dividing all of the costs allocated to the Readiness-to-Serve category by the number of 5/8" equivalent meters in the system to determine a cost per 5/8" equivalent meter. The meter size specific Readiness-to-Serve charges are determined by then multiplying the cost per 5/8" equivalent meter by the appropriate AWWA meter equivalency ratio to determine the appropriate charge for each meter size.

The Usage component is used to recover the costs of providing the volume allowance included in the Minimum Charge. It is calculated, as shown on Schedule HJS-9W, by multiplying the allowance for each meter size by the retail volumetric unit cost. For example, accounts with a ¾" meter receive a 2 kgal/month allowance. Therefore, the Usage component for a ¾" meter is equal to 2 kgal times the volumetric unit cost of \$11.87, or \$23.74.

Once each of the four components of the Minimum Charge are calculated for each meter size, they are added together to arrive at the Minimum Charge for each meter size. For example, the proposed Minimum Charge for an account with a ¾" meter is \$45.79/month. This charge is comprised of a metering component of \$5.87, plus a billing component of \$3.58, plus a Readiness-to-Serve component of \$12.61, plus a usage

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component of \$23.74. The resulting amount is then rounded up to the nearest cent. This
process is demonstrated on HJS-9W and the proposed Minimum Charges are shown on
HJS-10W. HJS-10W also provides a comparison of the proposed Minimum Charges to
the existing Minimum Charges.

#### Q. HOW ARE VOLUME CHARGES CALCULATED?

Volumetric charges are calculated by dividing the total of the base and extra capacity costs allocated to each customer class, net of revenues provided by the usage component of the minimum charge, by the projected FPFTY consumption of that customer class as demonstrated on HJS-9W. For example, the rate for the commercial class is determined by dividing the total base and extra capacity costs allocated to the commercial class, net of the revenues provided by the usage component of the minimum charge, by projected commercial class consumption in the FPFTY to arrive at the consumption rate. The resulting value, rounded up to the nearest cent, is the proposed rate for the commercial class. HJS-10W shows the proposed Volume Charges as well as a comparison of the proposed charges to the existing charges.

#### O. DOES PWSA ASSESS FIRE PROTECTION CHARGES?

17 A. Monthly fixed Fire System charges are assessed to customers that have private fire
18 suppression systems connected to the PWSA system. PWSA also assesses a Volumetric
19 Charge for all water used by fire system customers for purposes other than fire fighting.

#### Q. HOW ARE THE FIXED FIRE SYSTEM CHARGES CALCULATED?

A. Like the Minimum Charges, Fire System Charges are comprised of four components, the
Meter component; the Billing component; the Readiness-to-Serve component; and the
Fire component. The Billing and Readiness-to-Serve components are calculated in the

1		same manner as for the Minimum Charge except that different equivalency ratios are
2		used to determine the meter size specific charges for meters larger than 5/8". The Fire
3		component is calculated by dividing the costs allocated to the Fire Protection cost
4		category by the number of 5/8" meter equivalents represented by the projected number of
5		fire suppression connections during the FPFTY. The Fire System Charge for each group
6		of meter sizes is the sum of the four components for each group of meter sizes.
7 8	Q.	PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY DIFFERENT METER EQUIVALENCY RATIOS ARE USED TO DETERMINE THE FIRE SYSTEM CHARGES?
9	A.	The fire charge meter equivalency ratios used in this cost of service analysis were the
10		ratios in use when Raftelis first developed water rates for PWSA in 2016. The exact
11		origin of these ratios are not known, but we continued to use these ratios in the interest of
12		rate stability.
13 14	Q.	HOW ARE THE PROPOSED VOLUMETRIC FIRE SYSTEM CHARGES CALCULATED?
15	A.	The volumetric Fire System Charges are calculated in the same manner as the other
16		Volumetric Charges, by dividing the base and extra capacity costs allocated to fire
17		protection by the projected demand for water from fire systems that is not used for
18		fighting fires.
19 20 21	Q.	DO THE PROPOSED CHARGES GENERATE REVENUE BY CLASS THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH EACH CLASS' COST OF SERVICE AS INDICATED BY THE CCOSS?
22	A.	As shown in HJS-11W and HJS-12W, with the exception of the Residential and Health or
23		Education classes, the projected revenue by class under the proposed rates is consistent
24		with the class cost of service as indicated by the CCOSS.

1 2 3	Q.	WHY IS REVENUE UNDER PROPOSED RATES FOR THE RESIDENTIAL AND HEALTH OR EDUCATION CLASSES NOT CONSISTENT WITH THE INDICATED COST OF SERVICE?
4	A.	These inconsistencies are the result of a long standing PWSA policy of setting the Health
5		or Education rate at a level in excess of the indicated cost of service and using the excess
6		revenue to subsidize the Residential Volume Charge. In recognition of the fact that this
7		practice is inconsistent with cost of service principles we have dramatically reduced the
8		subsidy, but could not eliminate it completely without causing potential "rate shock" for
9		the Residential class. We plan to fully eliminate this subsidy in our next rate filing.
10 11	Q.	HAVE YOU PROVIDED INFORMATION ON WHAT THE CUSTOMER IMPACTS ARE PROJECTED TO BE?
12	A.	Yes, Schedule HJS-13W shows example monthly bills under existing and proposed rates
13		and the percentage impacts that are likely to occur for typical customers in each class.
14		For a typical residential customer using 3 kgal per month, their monthly water bill would
15		increase from \$42.07 to \$49.83 which represents a 18.4% increase.
16 17 18	Q.	WHAT CONSIDERATION HAS BEEN GIVEN AS TO WHETHER THE REVENUES FROM THE RATES AND CHARGES ARE SUFFICIENT TO COVER REVENUE REQUIREMENTS FOR PWSA?
19	A.	Schedule HJS-14W serves as a revenue proof to determine revenue sufficiency of the
20		proposed rates and charges. The revenues that would be generated under the proposed
21		rates and charges are shown. As shown on this schedule, revenue generated by the
22		proposed rates and charges exceeds the water system revenue requirements by
23		approximately \$32,000. This difference is attributable to the rounding of rates and
24		charges to the nearest cent.
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26	V.	WASTEWATER CONVEYANCE COST ALLOCATION

1 2	Q.	HOW ARE WASTEWATER CONVEYANCE REVENUE REQUIREMENTS ALLOCATED TO COST CATEGORIES AND CUSTOMER CLASSES?
3	A.	Wastewater conveyance costs are allocated according to standard industry practice as
4		described in the Water Environment Federation's (WEF) Manual of Practice No. 27,
5		"Financing and Charges for Wastewater Systems". Similar to the allocation methodology
6		used for determining PWSA's water rates, the allocation process involves three steps: 1)
7		assigning costs to functional categories; 2) assigning the costs from each functional
8		category to cost categories; and 3) allocating the costs from each cost category to
9		customer classes.
10 11	Q.	HOW ARE PWSA'S OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE COSTS ASSIGNED TO FUNCTIONAL CATEGORIES?
12	A.	The process of assigning costs to functional categories allows costs to be recovered from
13		customer classes based on the way that PWSA utilizes the resources within each function
14		to meet the demands of each customer class. The functions to which costs are assigned
15		are:
16		Conveyance & Collection
17		• Meters
18		• Billing
19		Administrative Support

Similar to the water expenses, the FPFTY operating and maintenance (O&M) expenses are accounted for in a manner consistent with PWSA's O&M budget. The wastewater conveyance revenue requirements are shown on HJS-1WW. With the exception of Customer Service and Engineering & Construction, all of the budget divisions relate directly to one functional category. As shown in Schedule HJS-2WW, costs that are incurred in support of only one function are assigned directly to that

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1		function, while costs that are incurred in support of two or more functions are assigned to
2		functions using allocation factors that reflect the way a particular budget division
3		supports each function. The allocation factors used to assign costs to functional
4		categories are listed and described on Schedules HJS 4WW and 5WW.
5 6	Q.	HOW ARE CUSTOMER SERVICE COSTS ASSIGNED TO FUNCTIONAL CATEGORIES?
7	A.	Since the Customer Service division supports both the Meters and Billing functions,
8		Customer Service costs are assigned to functional categories using factor WW-E. This
9		factor was developed based on an analysis of each of the cost line items in the division's
10		budget as shown on Schedule HJS-5WW.
11 12	Q.	HOW ARE ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COSTS ASSIGNED TO FUNCTIONAL CATEGORIES?
13	A.	The Engineering & Construction division is responsible for planning and executing
14		PWSA's capital projects; therefore, as was the case with the water expenses, the
15		division's costs are allocated based on the composition of the utility's CIP. Unlike the
16		water CIP, all of the wastewater conveyance projects are related to the improvement,
17		repair, replacement and expansion of the wastewater conveyance and collection system;
18		therefore, all of the Engineering & Construction expenses are allocated to Conveyance &
19		Collection as shown on Schedule HJS-2WW.
20	Q.	HOW ARE CAPITAL COSTS ASSIGNED TO FUNCTIONAL CATEGORIES?
21	A.	PWSA's capital costs consist of three components: (1) Pay-Go for cash funded capital
22		projects and; (2) debt service; and (3) contributions to reserves. To properly assign these
23		costs to cost categories they must first be assigned to functional categories. All capital
24		costs are assigned to functions based on the make-up of the fixed assets that currently

1		comprise the PWSA wastewater conveyance system. This process involved assigning
2		each of PWSA's fixed assets to the appropriate functional category and determining the
3		percentage of the total value of the assets that is assigned to each function. These
4		percentages are then applied to the capital costs to determine the appropriate distribution
5		of capital costs across the functional categories. Schedule HJS-2W shows the break-
6		down of fixed assets by functional categories.
7	Q.	WHAT IS THE NEXT STEP IN THE COST ALLOCATION PROCESS?
8	A.	Once costs have been assigned to functional categories, the next step is to allocate the
9		functionalized costs to cost categories.
10 11	Q.	HOW ARE PWSA'S COSTS ALLOCATED TO THE DIFFERENT COST CATEGORIES?
12	A.	O&M and capital costs are assigned to one or more of four cost categories based on how
13		costs are incurred to meet the demands of the wastewater conveyance system as a whole.
14		The assignment of costs to the cost categories is shown on Schedule HJS-3WW,
15		Allocation to Cost Categories. Since all of the wastewater collected and conveyed by the
16		PWSA wastewater conveyance system is treated at the ALCOSAN wastewater treatment
17		facilities, the process of assigning costs to cost categories is greatly simplified because no
18		costs need to be allocated to any of the treatment related categories addressed in WEF
19		Manual No. 27.
20		The four cost categories consist of:
21		• Volume – Volume costs are those costs that are a function of the amount of
22		wastewater that is collected and conveyed by the system
23		Meters – Meter costs are the costs associated with installing, maintaining,
24		repairing and replacing water meters. While the water meters are not used to

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1		measure wastewater flow, the water flow measured by the meters serves as a
2		proxy for the volume of wastewater discharged by each customer and therefor
3		the meters serve a vital role in the process of assessing wastewater
4		conveyance charges to PWSA's customers.
5		Billing – Billing costs are those costs associated with billing PWSA
6		wastewater conveyance customers for wastewater collection and conveyance.
7		Readiness-to-Serve – Readiness-to-serve costs are the fixed costs associated
8		with the utility's investment in facilities to provide capacity that must be
9		recovered regardless of the amount of wastewater that is discharged into the
10		system.
11		Costs are assigned to cost categories using the allocation factors listed and
12		described on Schedules HJS 4WW and 5WW. Most of the allocation factors are
13		developed using system wide demand data and others are developed based on other
14		analyses.
15 16	Q.	PLEASE DESCRIBE HOW EACH OF THE ALLOCATION FACTORS SHOWN ON SCHEDULE HJS 4WW WAS DEVELOPED.
17	A.	The Volume allocator (WW-AA) assigns all of the costs to which it is applied to the
18		Volume cost category in recognition that these costs are driven by the volume of
19		wastewater collected and conveyed by the wastewater conveyance system.
20		The Customer-Meters allocation factor (WW-BB) allocates all meter related costs
21		to the meter component of the Minimum Charge.
22		The Customer-Billing allocation factor (WW-CC) allocates all billing related
23		costs to the billing component of the Minimum Charge.

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The Administrative Support allocation factor (WW-DD) is used to allocate costs that do not readily fall into a specific functional category. This allocation factor is based on the percentages of overall costs that are allocated to each of the other cost categories once all other allocations have been performed.

The Readiness-to-Serve allocation factor (WW-EE) is used to allocate to the readiness to serve component of the Minimum Charge. Note that this allocation factor is not currently used to allocate any of the wastewater conveyance system costs; however, it is available for use in determining rates if needed.

# Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE HOW THE COSTS ARE ALLOCATED TO THE COST CATEGORIES

In the cost allocation model, allocation factors are applied to costs in each functional category such that costs are allocated in a way that reflects the type of demand being met by the function to which the costs have been assigned. For instance, the costs in the Collection & Conveyance function are allocated using the Allocation Factor WW-AA which allocates costs in a way that recognizes that all of the costs in this function are dependent upon the volume of wastewater collected and conveyed by the wastewater conveyance system. Over seventy-two percent (72%) of PWSA's wastewater conveyance costs are allocated using the WW-AA allocation factor.

#### VI. SEWER RATE DESIGN

# Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE PWSA'S EXISTING WASTEWATER CONVEYANCE RATE STRUCTURE.

23 A. PWSA's current wastewater conveyance rate structure for retail customers consists of a
24 monthly Minimum Charge that varies by meter size and a Volume Charge that varies by

1 customer class. The Minimum Charge is used to recover PWSA's customer costs and the 2 cost of a sewer usage allowance that also varies by meter size. 3 The Volume Charge is designed to recover PWSA's costs that vary based on customer demand as well as the portion of PWSA's fixed costs that are not recovered 4 through the Minimum Charge. The volumetric rate per kgal of wastewater discharged 5 varies by customer class based on the way in which each class demands service. The 6 7 water customer classes are: 8 Residential Residential CAP 9 Commercial 10 Industrial 11 Health or Education 12 13 IS PWSA PROPOSING TO MAKE ANY CHANGES TO THE EXISTING 14 Q. WASTEWATER CONVEYANCE RATE STRUCTURE? 15 No. As described in my testimony relating to the water rate structure, it was not feasible A. 16 to perform the analysis necessary to support changes to the existing wastewater 17 18 conveyance rate structure. HOW ARE THE MINIMUM CHARGES CALCULATED? O. 19 As shown on Schedule HJS-9WW the Minimum Charges are comprised of four 20 A. components, the Meter component; the Billing component, the Readiness-to-Serve 21 component and the Usage component. 22 Q. HOW IS EACH OF THESE COMPONENTS CALCULATED? 23 The Meter component is calculated by dividing all costs allocated to the Meter category 24 A. by the number of 5/8" equivalent meters in the system to determine a cost per 5/8" 25 equivalent meter. The meter size specific service charges are determined by then 26

multiplying the cost per 5/8" equivalent meter by the appropriate AWWA meter equivalency ratio to determine the appropriate charge for each meter size.

The Billing component is calculated by dividing the costs allocated to the Billing category by the total number of bills prepared each year to determine a unit cost per bill.

The Readiness-to-Serve component is calculated by dividing all of the costs allocated to the Readiness-to-Serve category by the number of 5/8" equivalent meters in the system to determine a cost per 5/8" equivalent meter. The meter size specific Readiness-to-Serve charges are determined by then multiplying the cost per 5/8" equivalent meter by the appropriate AWWA meter equivalency ratio to determine the appropriate charge for each meter size. As mentioned previously, none of PWSA's wastewater conveyance costs are currently recovered through the Readiness-to-Serve component.

The Usage component is used to recover the costs of providing the volume allowance included in the Minimum Charge. It is calculated, as shown on Schedule HJS-9WW, by multiplying the allowance for each meter size by the retail volumetric unit cost. For example, accounts with a ¾" meter receive a 2 kgal/month allowance. Therefore, the Usage component for a ¾" meter is equal to 2 kgal times the volumetric unit cost of \$6.89, or \$13.78.

Once each of the four components of the Sewer Minimum Charge are calculated for each meter size, they are added together to arrive at the Sewer Minimum Charge for each meter size. For example, the proposed Sewer Minimum Charge for an account with a 3/4" meter is \$18.65/month. This charge is comprised of a metering component of \$1.44, plus a billing component of \$3.43, plus a Readiness-to-Serve component of \$0.00,

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plus a usage component of \$13.78. The resulting amount is then rounded up to the nearest cent.

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As demonstrated on Schedule HJS-7WW, the revenue requirements from each cost category are used to determine the unit cost of providing wastewater collection and conveyance service. For example, approximately \$63.8 million in wastewater conveyance revenue requirements were allocated to the Volume cost category. This amount is reduced by approximately \$2.7 million to reflect revenue from wholesale customers and other miscellaneous revenue, resulting in approximately \$61.1 million in Volume revenue requirements to be recovered through retail rates. This amount is divided by the FPFTY projected billable flows (approximately 8.1 million kgal) to arrive at the unit cost of \$7.538 per kgal. As shown on HJS-8WW, this unit cost is then multiplied by each class' projected billable wastewater flows to arrive at the amount of Volume costs to be recovered from each class. For example, the Residential class is projected to discharge approximately 2.8 million kgal. This amount is multiplied by the unit cost of \$7.538 to arrive at the total Volume costs to be recovered from the Residential class. This process is repeated for each of the customer classes to arrive at the total costs to be recovered from each class.

#### Q. HOW ARE SEWER VOLUME CHARGES CALCULATED?

As shown on HJS-9WW, wastewater conveyance Volume Charges are calculated by dividing the net volumetric revenue requirements for each class by the projected volume of wastewater discharged by each class. Net volumetric revenue requirements are

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1		determined by first subtracting the revenue generated from Sewer Minimum Charges by
2		each class from the total revenue requirements allocated to each class. The result is the
3		costs that must be recovered from each class through the Volume Charge. For example,
4		the rate for the Residential class is determined by dividing the net volumetric revenue
5		requirements allocated to the Residential class (\$13.3M) by the projected wastewater
6		volume discharged by the Residential class (2.0M kgal) to arrive at the volumetric rate of
7		\$6.55 per kgal. The resulting rates and charges are shown on HJS-10WW.
8 9 10	Q.	DO THE PROPOSED CHARGES GENERATE REVENUE BY CLASS THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH EACH CLASS' COST OF SERVICE AS INDICATED BY THE CCOSS?
11	A.	As shown in HJS-11WW and HJS-12WW, the projected revenue by class under the
12		proposed rates is consistent with the class cost of service as indicated by the CCOSS.
13 14 15	Q.	HAVE YOU PROVIDED INFORMATION ON WHAT THE CUSTOMER IMPACTS ARE PROJECTED TO BE?
16	A.	Yes, HJS-13WW shows bills under existing and proposed rates and the percentage
17		impacts that are likely to occur for typical residential, commercial, and industrial
18		customers. For a typical residential customer using 3 kgal per month, their monthly
19		wastewater conveyance bill increases from \$21.55 to \$24.40 which represents a 13.2%
20		increase.
21 22 23 24	Q.	WHAT CONSIDERATION HAS BEEN GIVEN AS TO WHETHER THE REVENUES FROM THE WASTEWATER CONVEYANCE RATES AND CHARGES ARE SUFFICIENT TO COVER WASTEWATER CONVEYANCE REVENUE REQUIREMENTS FOR PWSA?
25	A.	HJS-13WW serves as a revenue proof to determine revenue sufficiency of the proposed
26		rates and charges. The revenues that would be generated under the proposed rate
27		structure are shown.

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- Q. ACCORDING TO THE RATE MODEL, ARE THE RATES AND CHARGES CALCULATED SUFFICIENT TO MEET REVENUE REQUIREMENTS?
- 3 A. Yes, as shown in HJS-13WW, the revenues projected to be recovered from the proposed
- rates are approximately \$26,000 greater than the revenue requirements for the FPFTY,
- with the difference being attributable to rounding of the proposed rates.
- 6 Q. MR. SMITH, DOES THAT CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?
- 7 A. Yes it does.