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- From: Charles L. Heydt 4580 Oley Turnpike Road Reading, PA 19606
- Re: Proposed Joint Settlement of Wastewater Acquisition and Rate Base Addition Docket No. A-2018-3004933

Dear Secretary,

I have just received the letter from the Pennsylvania American Water Company relating to the proposed settlement and rate increase for the Exeter Township wastewater facility and am offering my strongest opposition to this action. When a for profit company, such as Pennsylvania American Water Company, purchases the assets of another company (Exeter Township), the burden of the purchase should be borne solely by the stockholders and owners of the purchasing company, not the customers of the purchasing company, especially when there is no available competition for services.

The residents of Exeter Township have been paying for this wastewater plant for years and now to be required to buy it again thru an exorbitant rate increase of 80% is unconscionable. Some shrewd politician will say Exeter Township received payment for this facility and will use the money for the good of the residents, but we all know the politicians will just squander these funds and the people will again pay the price.

Please do not allow this proposed settlement to occur. An 80% increase in rates is not justifiable to the residents and must not be allowed to be implemented, especially to those of us who are retired and on fixed incomes.

Thank you for opportunity to express my disdain for this proposed settlement and I hope you will take into consideration the needs of the common residents and not the shareholders and owners of Pennsylvania American Water Company by denying this proposed outrageous rate increase.

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Sincerely yours,

Charles L. Heydt cheydt@ptd.net SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION SECRETARY'S BURDAN POUNEYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION COMMONWEALTH KERSTONE BUILDING 400 NURTH STREET HARRISBURG PA 17120 ور فل المراز فق فر المراز برا المراجبة والمراز المراز المراز المراز المراز والمراز 17120\$0064 0000



