



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

September 6, 2019

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

Re: Application of Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc. pursuant to Sections 1102, 1329 and 507 of the Public Utility Code for Approval of its Acquisition of the Wastewater System Assets of the Township of East Norriton/ Docket No. A-2019-3009052

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed please find the Notice of Intervention, Public Statement, and Verification, on behalf of the Office of Small Business Advocate (“OSBA”), in the above-captioned proceeding.

Copies will be served on all known parties in this proceeding, as indicated on the attached Certificate of Service.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Shelby A. Linton-Keddie'.

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Enclosures

cc: Brian Kalcic
Parties of Record

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

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Township of East Norriton** :
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: **Docket No. A-2019-3009052**
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**NOTICE OF INTERVENTION
OF THE OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE**

The Office of Small Business Advocate (“OSBA”) files this Notice of Intervention with respect to the Application that was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on July 30, 2019, and supplemented since then, by Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc. (“Aqua” or “Company”), with respect to the proposed (1) approval of Aqua’s acquisition of the wastewater assets of East Norriton Township; (2) approval of the right of Aqua to begin providing wastewater service in the requested territory; and, (3) inclusion in an order for the ratemaking rate base of the Assets as determined under Section 1329(c)(2) of the Public Utility Code. In support of this Intervention, the OSBA avers as follows:

1. The OSBA is an agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania authorized by the Small Business Advocate Act (Act 181 of 1988, 73 P.S. §§ 399.41 – 399.50) to represent the interest of small business customers as a party in proceedings before the Commission.
2. Intervention in this case is necessary to ensure that the interests of small business customers served by Aqua, as well as the Township of East Norriton, are adequately represented.
3. Representing the OSBA in this proceeding is:

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Dated: September 6, 2019

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**PUBLIC STATEMENT OF THE
OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE**

The Small Business Advocate is authorized and directed to represent the interest of small business consumers of utility services in Pennsylvania under the provisions of the Small Business Advocate Act, Act 181 of 1988, 73 P.S. §§ 399.41 - 399.50 (“Act”). The Act further provides that the Small Business Advocate is to issue publicly a written statement stating concisely the specific interest of small business consumers to be protected by his initiation of or intervention in any proceeding involving those interests before the Public Utility Commission or any other agency or court. This public statement relates to the filing today by the Small Business Advocate of an intervention regarding the Application of Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc. (“Aqua” or “Company”), with respect to the proposed (1) approval of Aqua’s acquisition of the wastewater assets of East Norriton Township; (2) approval of the right of Aqua to begin providing wastewater service in the requested territory; and, (3) inclusion in an order for the ratemaking rate base of the Assets as determined under Section 1329(c)(2) of the Public Utility Code.

The Small Business Advocate has intervened in this case to ensure that the interests of small business customers served by Aqua, as well as the Township of East Norriton are adequately represented.

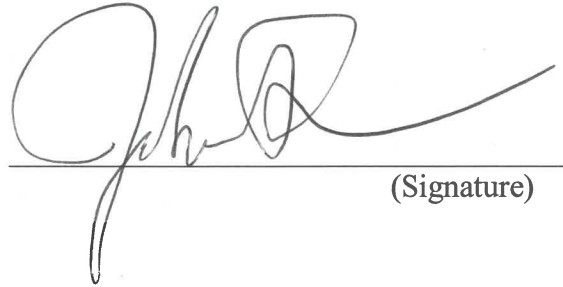
In view of the foregoing, the Small Business Advocate will participate in proceedings before the Public Utility Commission to investigate the reasonableness of the proposed transaction. The Small Business Advocate will ask the Commission to deny any proposed rate increase or other changes in the Company's present tariffs that apply to small business customers that are not proven by the Company to be lawful, just, reasonable and non-discriminatory to all its customer classes.

Dated: September 6, 2019

VERIFICATION

I, John R. Evans, hereby state that the facts set forth herein above are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and that I expect to be able to prove the same at a hearing held in this matter. I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. § 4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).

Date: September 6, 2019



(Signature)

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing have been served via email and/or First-Class mail (*unless otherwise noted below*) upon the following persons, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

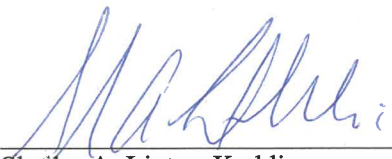
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