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## **Via Electronic Filing**

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary PA Public Utility Commission P.O. Box 3265 Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Re: Complaints of the Office of Consumer Advocate and the Office of Small Business Advocate regarding Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority Rate Filing;

Docket Nos. R-2020-3017951 (water), R-2020-3017970 (wastewater); C-2020-3019302; C-2020-3019305; C-2020-3019348; and, C-2020-3019349

## Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that, pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 5.61(d), this matter involves a rate proceeding and the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority ("PWSA") is electing not to file a formal answer to the complaints filed by the Office of Small Business Advocate ("OSBA") and the Office of Consumer Advocate ("OCA"), nor to any subsequently filed complaints.

On March 6, 2020, PWSA filed support for a requested increase in base rates at Docket Number R-2020-3017951(water) and R-2020-3017970 (wastewater). Simultaneously, PWSA filed:

- (1) A Petition to Consolidate the two utility rate cases and to utilize combined water and wastewater revenues.
- (2) A Petition to Consolidate the rate cases with its previously filed Petition for approval of a Distribution System Improvement Charge ("DSIC"). The DSIC Petition is docketed at P-2020-3019019.

The OSBA filed complaints on March 19, 2020 and they are docketed at C-2020-3019302 (water) and C-2020-3019305 (wastewater). The OCA filed complaints on March 24, 2020 and they are docketed at C-2020-3019348 (water) and C-2020-3019349 (wastewater). Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 5.61(d), PWSA has elected to not answer any of the complaints since they are complaints in a rate proceeding. Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Deanne M. O'Dell

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cc: Cert. of Service

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that this day I served a copy of PWSA's foregoing letter upon the persons listed below in the manner indicated in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code Section 1 54

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