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June 3, 2020

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Re: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission v. Pennsylvania-American Water Company *Docket Nos. R-2020-3019369 and R-2020-3019371*

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Please find enclosed AK STEEL CORPORATION'S PREHEARING MEMORANDUM for filing in the above-captioned proceeding.

By copy of this letter, all parties listed on the Certificate of Service have been served.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>/s/ Michael L. Kurtz</u> Michael L. Kurtz, Esq.. (PA Attorney I.D. #71687) Kurt J. Boehm, Esq. Jody Kyler Cohn, Esq. BOEHM, KURTZ & LOWRY **COUNSEL FOR AK STEEL CORPORATION**

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BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission	:		
	:	Docket Nos.	R-2020-3019369 (Water)
vs.	:		R-2020-3019371 (Wastewater)
Pennsylvania American Water Company	:		

PREHEARING MEMORANDUM OF AK STEEL CORPORATION

Pursuant to Administrative Law Judge Johnson's May 22, 2020 Prehearing Conference Order, AK Steel Corporation ("AK Steel") submits this Prehearing Memorandum.

1. <u>History of Proceeding</u>

On April 29, 2020, Pennsylvania American Water Company ("PAWC" or "the Company") initiated this case proposing a multi-year increase to its water and wastewater rates pursuant to 66 Pa. C.S. § 1308(d). PAWC proposes to increase its total annual operating revenues by \$138.6 million over two years. Specifically, PAWC proposes to increase rates by approximately \$92.4 million, or 12.9% in 2021; and \$46.2 million, or 5.8% in 2022. AK Steel filed its Petition to Intervene and Notice of Appearance on June 2, 2020.

2. <u>Representation of AK Steel</u>

AK Steel is represented by the following attorneys in this matter:

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3. Issues Raised by AK Steel

AK Steel is the largest industrial customer on the Company's system. The rates paid by AK Steel for water service will be significantly affected if the Commission approves the rate increase requested. AK Steel alleges that the information filed in support of the Company's proposed rate increase is insufficient to establish that the rates to be collected are just and reasonable. AK Steel also alleges that the rate structure proposed by the Company may result in large industrial customers subsidizing other rate classes. AK Steel intends to address these issues and recommend specific changes to the Company's proposal through the testimony of its expert witness.

4. <u>Testimony of AK Steel</u>

AK Steel intends to submit the testimony of its expert witness Richard Baudino. Mr. Baudino will likely address revenue requirement as well as revenue allocation and rate design issues pertaining to the Industrial class. Mr. Baudino's contact information is listed below:

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5. <u>Discovery</u>

AK Steel supports the standard discovery modifications requested by the Office of Consumer Advocate.

6. <u>Procedural Schedule</u>

AK Steel is not aware of any agreement among the parties concerning the procedural schedule, but commits to work with the parties and the Commission to craft a schedule that is acceptable to all participants.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTORNEYS FOR AK STEEL CORPORATION

June 3, 2020

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 3RD day of June, 2020 I served a true copy of AK STEEL CORPORATION'S PREHEARING MEMORANDUM via email only upon the parties of record in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code §1.54:

<u>/s/ Michael L. Kurtz</u> Michael L. Kurtz, Esq. (PA Attorney I.D. # 71687) Kurt J. Boehm, Esq. Jody Kyler Cohn, Esq. **COUNSEL FOR AK STEEL CORPORATION**

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