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Via Electronic Filing

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

Re: PA Public Utility Commission et al., v. Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority - Water

Docket Nos. R-2020-3017951et al.;

PA Public Utility Commission et al., v. Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority – Wastewater, Docket Nos. R-2020-3017970 et al., and

Petition of Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority For Waiver of Provisions of Act 11 to Increase the DSIC CAP, to Permit Levelization of DSIC Charges, and to Authorize the Pay-As-You-Go Method of Financing – Docket No. P-2020-3019019

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

On September 30, 2020, the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority ("PWSA") filed a Joint Petition for Settlement regarding the above-referenced matters. Subsequently, PWSA identified **an error regarding Paragraph 4 of the Joint Petition and Paragraph 5 of Appendix A to the Joint Petition**. Both paragraphs incorrectly state that PWSA initially requested approximately \$43.4 million in total annual operating revenues for 2021. The correct amount of the initially requested increase (consistent with the notice provided to customers and supported by PWSA's witness testimony) was \$43.8 million. Corrected page 3 of the Joint Petition and page 5 of Appendix A are enclosed herein and PWSA respectfully requests that they replace those included with the original filing. I apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. Copies to be served in accordance with the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

Deanne M. O'Dell

DMO/lww Enclosure

cc: Hon. Mary Long w/out enc.

Hon. Emily Devoe w/out enc. Cert. of Service w/out enc.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that this day I served a copy of PWSA's Letter with Corrected Pages 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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- 2. PWSA became subject to the Commission's jurisdiction effective April 1, 2018. See 66 Pa. C.S. § 3201 et seq. ("Chapter 32"). The Authority provides water service to approximately 80,000 residential, commercial and industrial customers in portions of the City of Pittsburgh ("City"); the Borough of Millvale; and portions of Reserve, O'Hara, and Blawnox Townships, Allegheny County. The Authority also provides wastewater conveyance service to customers located in the City and conveys wastewater for portions of twenty-four neighboring communities.
- There have been numerous proceedings involving PWSA's transition to the Commission's jurisdiction including: (1) an initial base rate proceeding (Docket No. R-2018-3002645);
 (2) Stage 1 of an overall Compliance Plan Proceeding (Docket Nos. M-2018-2640802 and M-2018-2640803); (3) a Long-Term Infrastructure Improvement Plan ("LTIIP") proceeding (Docket Nos. P-2018-3005037 and P-2018-3005039); and, (4) a Section 507 City Cooperation Agreement filing (Docket No. U-2020-3015258).
- 4. On March 6, 2020, PWSA initiated this proceeding by requesting multiyear increases to water and wastewater total annual operating revenues of approximately \$43.8 million, consisting of a 25.4% increase, for 2021 (including the requested 10% DSIC for both water and wastewater). For 2022, PWSA sought an additional \$12.6 million, a 6.4% increase in base rates. PWSA also filed: (a) Petition to implement a Distribution System Improvement Charge ("DSIC") and requested waivers as necessary to implement a 10% cap, to permit levelization of DSIC charges and to authorize the Pay-As-You Go method of Financing; (b) Petition for Consolidation of Water and Wastewater Rate Proceedings and for Authorization to use Combined Water and Wastewater Revenue Requirements; and, (c) Petition for Consolidation of DSIC Waiver Petition for Rate Proceedings.

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Procedural History of this Proceeding

- 4. On March 6, 2020, PWSA initiated this proceeding by requesting an increase in base rates for water and wastewater services for 2021 and 2022. PWSA also filed:
 - a. Petition to implement a Distribution System Improvement Charge ("DSIC") and requested waivers as necessary to implement a 10% cap, to permit levelization of DSIC charges and to authorize the Pay-As-You Go method of Financing;
 - b. Petition for Consolidation of Water and Wastewater Rate Proceedings and for Authorization to use Combined Water and Wastewater Revenue Requirements; and,
 - c. Petition for Consolidation of DSIC Waiver Petition for Rate Proceedings.
- 5. Included with PWSA's base rate filing was proposed Supplement No. 1 to Tariff Water Pa. P.U.C. No. 1 and Supplement No. 1 to Tariff Wastewater Pa. P.U.C. No. 1 which included multiyear increases to water and wastewater total annual operating revenues of approximately \$43.8 million, a 25.4% increase, for 2021 (including the requested 10% DSIC) and an additional \$12.6 million, a 6.4% increase, for 2022. PWSA's filing also included a *Pro Forma* Stormwater Tariff though PWSA did not propose to develop or implement a Stormwater fee as part of this proceeding.
- 6. The same day that PWSA made its base rate increase filing, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Tom Wolf, issued a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency due to the coronavirus pandemic. Governor Wolf extended the Proclamation by ninety days on June 3, 2020 and again on August 31, 2020.
- 7. The Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement ("I&E") filed a Notice of Appearance on March 9, 2020.

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