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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
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Re: Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority
Docket Nos. M-2018-2640802 et al.
OCA Letter in Support of PWSA's
Motion to Hold in Abeyance the Stage 2
Stormwater Compliance Plan

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

On April 9, 2021, Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority (PWSA or Authority) filed a Motion to Hold in Abeyance its Stage 2 Compliance Plan regarding PWSA's stormwater operations and tariff (Stormwater Compliance Plan), also filed on April 9, 2021. Through its Motion, PWSA asked the Commission to hold the proceeding to address the Stormwater Compliance Plan in abeyance pending resolution of PWSA's base rate case filed on April 13, 2021.

The purpose of this letter is to state the Office of Consumer Advocate's support for PWSA's request. The OCA believes that delaying the Stormwater Compliance Plan proceeding is in the best interest of all parties in that it will avoid overlapping and potentially duplicative litigation in the pending base rate proceeding, which includes the Authority's request for approval of a stormwater tariff and stormwater fee. The OCA agrees with PWSA's assertion that it would be most efficient to address stormwater in the rate case and, after entry of the Commission's Order in that proceeding, reopen the Stormwater Compliance Plan proceeding to address any remaining stormwater issues.

Again, the OCA states its support of PWSA's Motion to Hold in Abeyance its Stage 2 Compliance Plan regarding its Stormwater Compliance Plan. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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Re:	Implementation of Chapter 32 of the Public	:	Docket Nos.	M-2018-2640802
	Utility Code Regarding Pittsburgh Water	:		M-2018-2640803
	and Sewer Authority – Stage 2	:		
		:		
	Petition of The Pittsburgh Water and Sewer	:		
	Authority for Approval of Its Long-Term	:	Docket Nos.	P-2018-3005037
	Infrastructure Improvement Plan	:		P-2018-3005039

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the following document, the Office of Consumer Advocate's Letter Supporting PWSA's Motion Re: Stormwater Compliance Plan Abeyance, upon parties of record in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant), in the manner and upon the persons listed below:

Dated this 28th day of April 2021.

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