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RE: Columbia Water Company Supplement No. 121 To Tariff – Water Pa. P.U.C. No. 7 at  
Docket No. R-2023-3040258

Dear Attorney Snyder:

On April 28, 2023, Columbia Water Company (Columbia Water) filed the above-captioned document with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission). For the Commission to complete its analysis of the filing, please respond with the information requested in the attached document.

Please forward the information to the Secretary of the Commission at the address listed below **within ten (10) business days** from the date of this letter. All documents requiring notary stamps must have original signatures. The Commission strongly encourages submission through efilings with the Secretary of the Commission by opening an efilings account through the Commission website and accepting eservice at <https://efiling.puc.pa.gov>. The Commission is accepting all public documents through our efilings system at this time.

If your filing contains confidential material, you are required to either file by overnight delivery or submit to the Secretary's Share Point File system to ensure the timely filing of your submission. Filers should contact the Secretary's Bureau in advance to gain access to the Share Point File system. Make sure to reference the Docket Number listed above when filing your response. The overnight address for hard-copy or confidential responses is:

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

Please note your answers must be verified per 52 Pa Code § 1.36. Accordingly, you must provide the following statement with your responses:

*I, [print name of appropriate company representative], hereby state that the facts above set forth 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).*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please contact the below staff person if any problems should arise that prevent a full response within ten business days or if any clarification of these data requests is needed. Please mark the materials “CONFIDENTIAL” in bold or highlighted manner if any of the requested information is deemed to be of a confidential nature.

In addition, to expedite completion of the review, please send a copy of the response to Paul Zander in the Water/Wastewater Section of the Bureau of Technical Utility Services via e-mail at [pzander@pa.gov](mailto:pzander@pa.gov). Please also direct any questions to Paul Zander at telephone number (717) 783-1372. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



Rosemary Chiavetta  
Secretary

Enclosure: TUS Data Request Set 1

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## TUS Data Request Set 1

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Note: Please restate the data request prior to providing a response. In addition, provide the name and title of the person(s) providing the response and/or information for each data request.

- R-1. Columbia Water’s response to 52 Pa. Code § 53.52(b)(4) in Supporting Data for Supplement No. 121 To Tariff – Water Pa. P.U.C. No. 7 (Supporting Data), Page 1-11 did not provide certain required information. Please provide a revised response for 52 Pa. Code § 53.52(b)(4) that includes a calculation of the total increases, in dollars, by tariff subdivision (e.g., residential, commercial, industrial, public, farm, private fire protection, public fire protection, etc.), projected to an annual basis.
- R-2. Supporting Data, Pages 1-10 and 1-11 reference data provided by Raftelis Financial Consulting (Raftelis). Please provide copies of data and studies that were used to prepare Supporting Data, including each of the following:
  - a. The Customer Bill Frequency Analysis referenced in Supporting Data, Page 1-10; and
  - b. The Revenues by Customer Class Anticipated at December 31, 2023 and two related adjustments referenced in Supporting Data, Page 1-11.
- R-3. Supporting Data, Page 1-11 indicated that Columbia Water does not anticipate any late fee revenue at present or proposed rates. Please either confirm that Columbia Water will not charge late fees until it files a rate case with the Commission that proposes to begin charging late fees and that includes associated revenues, or provide calculations of anticipated late fee revenues at present rates, adjusted present rates, and proposed rates.
- R-4. Please provide copies of the tables included on Pages 1-3, 7-10, and 11-12 of Supporting Schedule No. 4 in working Excel file format.
- R-5. Please provide copies of the tables included on Pages 1-2 of Supporting Schedule No. 6 in working Excel file format.
- R-6. The Commission’s Order entered February 3, 2022, at Docket A-2021-3027134 (February 2022 Order), Ordering Paragraph 9 directed Columbia Water to file copies of its original cost study of the water system assets acquired from East Donegal Township Municipal Authority (EDTMA) with the Secretary’s Bureau upon completion of said study at Docket A-2021-3017134. Please provide evidence that Columbia Water filed copies of its original cost study of the water system assets acquired from EDTMA with the Commission’s Secretary’s Bureau.

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- R-7. The Commission’s February 2022 Order, Ordering Paragraph 10 directed that, “at the time of filing its next base rate case that proposes to include [EDTMA assets] in rate base, [Columbia Water] shall specifically reference Docket No. A-2021-3027134 and provide testimony that: (a) specifies the number of [EDTMA]’s public fire protection customers, private fire protection customers, public fire hydrants, private fire hydrants, public fire services (i.e., sprinkler lines or similar connections), and private fire services; and (b) justifies any amount claimed in rate base, in order to evaluate the reasonableness of the original cost, contributions, accumulated depreciation, and any utility plant acquisition adjustment claims pursuant to Section 1327 of the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa.C.S. § 1327.” Please provide evidence that Columbia Water filed with the Commission testimony that includes information required by the February 2022 Order, Ordering Paragraph 10. Also, please note that pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 1.38, the Commission may reject a filing if it does not comply with any Order of the Commission.