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C-00015377
C-20028177
C-20028361

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Cindy Parks :
Richard T. Minutello :
Irwin A. Popowsky, Consumer Advocate :
v. :
Pennsylvania-American Water Company :

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ORDER CONSOLIDATING THE PROCEEDINGS

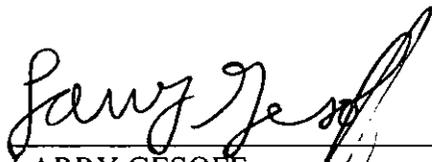
On May 1, 2001, Cindy Parks filed a Formal Complaint against Pennsylvania-American Water Company (PAWC) indicating, among other things, that her community in Mount Pleasant Township is without a public water supply. On July 15, 2002, Richard T. Minutello, and on August 21, 2002, Irwin A. Popowsky, the Consumer Advocate (OCA), filed similar Formal Complaints. On August 23, 2002, the OCA filed a Motion to Consolidate these three Formal Complaints.

A presiding officer may, with or without motion, direct that proceedings involving a common question of law or fact be consolidated. 52 Pa. Code §5.81. The Complaints of Ms. Parks, Mr. Minutello and the OCA seek the extension of PAWC's main distribution system into Mount Pleasant Township and each Complainant will raise similar facts. By facsimile transmission on September 4, 2002, PAWC states that it has no objection to the OCA's Motion. The Commission's standard for consolidation has been met. Consolidating these Complaints will reduce the time and cost of litigation.

Therefore; IT IS ORDERED:

That the Complaints of Cindy Parks at Docket No. C-00015377, Richard T. Minutello at Docket No. C-20028177 and Irwin A. Popowsky, Consumer Advocate, at Docket No. C-20028361, all against Pennsylvania-American Water Company, are consolidated for the purposes of holding hearings and issuing an initial decision.

Dated: September 5, 2002


LARRY GESOFF
Administrative Law Judge

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