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|  | **COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**  **PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**  Office of Administrative Law Judge  801 Market Street  4th Floor, Suite 4063  Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107  Telephone: (215) 560-2105  Fax: (215) 560-3133 | **IN REPLY PLEASE**  **REFER TO OUR FILE** |

February 1, 2021

SEE ATTACHED SERVICE LIST

Re: Application of Pennsylvania-American Water Company-Wastewater Division under Section 1329 of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C.S.§ 1329, for the Acquisition of Royersford Borough’s Wastewater System Assets Docket No. A-2020-3019634

Dear Mr. Redinger:

I am writing to inform you of a potential settlement of the above-referenced case. Pennsylvania American Water Company, the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA), the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement (I&E), and the Office of Small Business Advocate (OSBA), have signed and filed a Joint Petition for Settlement in this proceeding. A copy of the Settlement Petition was sent to you by Pennsylvania American Water Company on January 29, 2021.

After I have reviewed the proposed settlement, I will prepare a written recommended decision, which you will receive, recommending that the Commission adopt or reject the Settlement Petition. The Commission will make a final decision on whether or not the proposed settlement should be approved.

As a protestant, you have an opportunity to submit comments or objections to me after you review the Settlement Petition. If you wish to comment or object, you must send your written comments or objections to me, with a copy to the company, I&E, OCA, and OSBA, no later than February 8, 2021, electronically at the following addresses[[1]](#footnote-1):

Administrative Law Judge Marta Guhl

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The opportunity to submit written comments on, or objections to, the Settlement Petition is a means of expressing your opinions regarding the proposed settlement before my recommended decision is issued. Your right to file exceptions and/or reply to exceptions to the recommended decision is not affected by this settlement unless you decide to join in the Settlement Petition, as explained below. Objections to the settlement must include facts, affidavits, argument and relevant legal analysis as substantiation. Continued litigation of a protest will be considered only if specifically requested and supported by appropriate information and legal argument concerning the implications of denial of a continued opportunity to litigate the matter in lieu of settlement.

If, after you review the Settlement Petition, you wish to join in, you may do so by completing and returning to us a copy of the Signature Page enclosed with this letter. Please understand that by signing and returning the Signature Page you will be signifying that, as a signatory party, you do not wish to further prosecute your Protest unless the Commission rejects or modifies the Settlement Petition. If you do not wish to comment on, object to or join in the partial settlement, you do not need to do anything.

Please carefully review the Settlement Petition. If you have any questions, PAWC, OCA and I&E will be glad to speak with you. The company’s representative in this matter, David Zambito, Esq., can be contacted at DZambito@cozen.com. Christine M. Hoover, Esq., from the Office of Consumer Advocate, can be contacted at choover@paoca.org. Erika McLain, Esq., from the Bureau of Investigation & Enforcement, can be contacted at ermclain@pa.gov.

Very truly yours,

/s/

Marta Guhl

Administrative Law Judge

**SIGNATURE PAGE**

Please sign below if you would like to join in the Settlement Petition signed by Pennsylvania American Water Company, the Office of Consumer Advocate, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement, and the Office of Small Business Advocate at Docket No. A-2020-3019634.

I have read the Settlement Petition and wish to join in it. I am willing to withdraw my Protest in this case if the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission approves the Settlement Petition without modification.

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1. Please note that all Commission offices are currently closed. In accordance with the Commission’s Emergency Order dated March 20, 2020, all documents must be submitted electronically due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)