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Re: Foster Township Letter in Support of Petition for Expedited Reconsideration of Pennsylvania-American Water Company; Docket No. A-2021-3028676

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

On behalf of the Township of Foster, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, we wish to express our strong support for the Petition filed by the Pennsylvania-American Water Company's (PAW) seeking an Expedited Reconsideration of the Commission's Order on July 14, 2022, in the matter described above.

PAW's Petition is the result of conditions included in the Commission's Order that will cause a unexpected delay or even the termination of the sale of our public sewer system to PAW. These conditions are wholly unrelated to the transaction for which approval is sought and will delay closing to the prejudice of the Township. To the extent necessary, the Commission should address these concerns at another docket and not this one.

The negotiated terms of the sale assumed a closing by the end of 2021. It was an assumption reflected in the purchase price, and in the rate freeze scheduled to end on December 31, 2024. The Township continues to pay debt service on a PennVest loan for from sewer system revenues, and both PennVest and DEP support a near-term sale. If the closing is delayed much further, the Township will consider renegotiating terms with PAW.

For this reason, we respectfully request that the Commission grant PAW's Petition as quickly as possible.

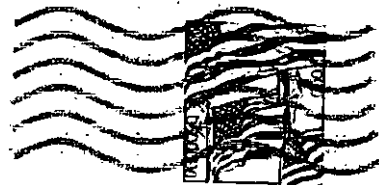
Very truly yours,
TOWNSHIP OF FOSTER,
Luzerne County, Pennsylvania

By: 
Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

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