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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
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Re: Application of Pennsylvania-American Water Company for approval to supply water service in a portion of Dimock Township, Susquehanna County under 66 Pa. C.S. § 1102; approval of the offsite development marketing agreement with the Office of the Attorney General; and, as necessary, approval of limited tariff waivers
Docket No. A-2023-3043501

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Attached for electronic filing please find the Office of Consumer Advocate's Notice of Intervention and Public Statement.

Copies have been served on the parties as indicated on the enclosed Certificate of Service.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Erin L. Gannon".

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Certificate of Service

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Application of Pennsylvania-American Water :
Company for approval to supply water service :
in a portion of Dimock Township, Susquehanna : Docket No. A-2023-3043501
County under 66 Pa. C.S. § 1102; approval of the :
offsite development marketing agreement with the :
Office of the Attorney General; and, as necessary, :
approval of limited tariff waivers :

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the following document, the Office of Consumer Advocate's Notice of Intervention and Public Statement, 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. This document was filed electronically on the Commission's electronic filing system.

Dated this 1st day of November 2023.

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BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Application of Pennsylvania-American Water :
Co. for approval to supply water service in a :
portion of Dimock Township, Susquehanna : Docket No. A-2023-3043501
County under 66 Pa. C.S. § 1102; approval of :
the offsite development marketing agreement :
with the Office of the Attorney General; and, :
as necessary, approval of limited tariff waivers :

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code Section 5.71(a) and 71 P.S. § 309-4, the Office of Consumer Advocate hereby gives Notice of Intervention in this matter. A copy of all correspondence and notices, documents, orders or other communications with respect to the above-captioned proceeding should be addressed to the following:

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Respectfully submitted,



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DATED: November 1, 2023

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PUBLIC STATEMENT OF THE OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE
PURSUANT TO 71 P.S. SECTION 309-4(e)

Act 161 of the Pennsylvania General Assembly, 71 P.S. § 309-2, as enacted July 9, 1976, authorizes the Consumer Advocate to represent the interests of consumers before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC or Commission). In accordance with Act 161, and for the following reasons, the Consumer Advocate determined to file an Intervention and participate in proceedings before the Commission involving the Application by Pennsylvania-American Water Company (PAWC or Applicant).

The Applicant seeks Commission approval to extend its service territory and provide public water service in an area of Dimock Township, Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania, where residents' private wells have been adversely impacted by natural gas drilling operations. The Applicant also requests approval of the Offsite Development Marketing Agreement and limited waivers, as necessary, of PAWC's tariff rules requiring customers to pay for installation of service pipes, meter pits and backflow preventers. As stated in the OCA's Letter of Support attached as Exhibit O to the Application, the OCA supports approval of the Application, which will allow PAWC to connect 21 homes to public water supply, at no cost to the new customers or PAWC's existing customers because the costs will be paid from funds provided by the natural gas drilling operator. Further, construction of a water system in the Dimock area, where none currently exists will also afford other property owners in the vicinity the opportunity to connect to public water supply, if wanted or needed.

The Consumer Advocate determined to intervene in this proceeding to protect the interests of PAWC's existing and new customers. The OCA will work to ensure that the results of this proceeding are just and reasonable and consistent with the requirements of the Public Utility Code.