

BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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COMMISSION,

V.

PENNSYLVANIA-AMERICAN
WATER COMPANY

Docket No. R-2023-3043189 (Water)
 R-2023-3043190 (Wastewater)

**COMMISSION ON ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY'S
PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE MEMORANDUM**

I. HISTORY

The Commission on Economic Opportunity (CEO) intervened in this matter by Petition to Intervene filed on November 21, 2023. CEO is a not-for-profit corporation and is an advocate for its clients – the low-income population of Luzerne County. CEO has intervened in prior matters before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission for the purpose of addressing a company's universal service programs and the effects of any requested rate increases on low-income customers. CEO intervened in this particular matter to examine the proposed rate increase and its impact on low-income customers and to address whether the Company's low-income programs are adequate or need to be changed to address the proposed rate increase.

II. ISSUES TO BE PRESENTED BY CEO

1. Whether the Company's low-income programs are appropriately funded and available and whether those programs will remain appropriately funded and available if the request for a rate increase is granted.

2. The proposed rate increase or rate structure and its impact on the residential customer class and particularly low-income, residential customers.

3. Such other additional issues as may arise during the discovery process.

III. WITNESSES

CEO will present the testimony of Jennifer Warabak, Executive Director of CEO, to address the issues above-described.

IV. PROPOSED SCHEDULE

CEO will work with the other parties for an agreed upon schedule to be presented to the Administrative Law Judge.

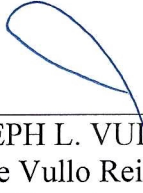
V. SETTLEMENT

CEO will participate in any and all settlement discussions.

VI. SERVICE

CEO agrees to be served by email upon counsel listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certified that he served a copy of the foregoing Petition to Intervene of Commission on Economic Opportunity upon the following participants this 27th day of December, 2023, via electronic mail:

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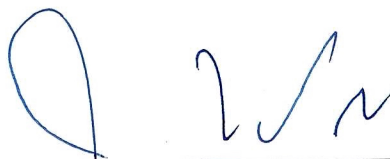
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