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Via Electronic Mail Only

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

V.

Conneaut Lake Park Water Corporation

Docket No. R-2023-3041575

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Attached for electronic filing please find the Office of Consumer Advocate's Proposed Litigation Schedule and Proposed Discovery Modifications in the above-referenced proceeding.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: PUC Secretary Rosemary Chiavetta (Letter and Certificate of Service only)

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v.

Conneaut Lake Park Water Corporation, Inc.

Petition of Conneaut Lake Park

Water Corporation, Inc. for Approval P-2023-3042648

Of a Metering Exception

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I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the following document, the Office of Consumer Advocate's Proposed Litigation Schedule and Proposed Discovery Modifications, 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:

Dated this 9th day of February 2024.

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BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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Office of Consumer Advocate

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v. :

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Conneaut Lake Park Water Corporation, Inc.

PROPOSED LITIGATION SCHEDULE AND DISCOVERY MODIFICATIONS OF THE OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE

Pursuant to the request of Administrative Law Judges Arlene Ashton and Eranda Vero on January 31, 2024, the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) submits the below proposed litigation schedule and discovery modifications in the above-captioned proceeding.

I. PROPOSED SCHEDULE

The OCA proposes the below litigation schedule.

| Company Direct | Wednesday, March 13, 2024 |
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| Other Parties' Direct | Tuesday, April 9, 2024 |
| Rebuttal | Tuesday, April 30, 2024 |
| Surrebuttal | Friday, May 17, 2024 |
| Written Rejoinder | Friday, May 24, 2024 |
| Hearings | Wednesday, May 29, 2024 |
| | and Thursday May 30, 2024 |
| Main Brief | Friday, June 21, 2024 |
| Reply Brief | Friday, July 5, 2024 |

The OCA circulated this proposed schedule on February 7, 2024, and all parties agreed to the above dates.

II. DISCOVERY

The parties have already exchanged several rounds of discovery in this case. Going forward, the OCA proposes the following modifications to the Commission's discovery regulations:

- 1. Answers to written interrogatories shall be served in-hand within five (5) calendar days of service.
- 2. After the submission of Non-Company Direct Testimony, answers to written interrogatories shall be served in-hand within three (3) calendar days of service. The parties are to use their best efforts to provide answers within this shortened time-period.
- 3. Objections to interrogatories shall be communicated orally within two (2) calendar days and in writing within three (3) calendar days of service of the interrogatories.
- 4. Motions to dismiss objections and/or direct the answering of interrogatories shall be filed within two (2) calendar days of service of the written objections.
- 5. Answers to motions to dismiss objections and/or direct the answering of interrogatories shall be filed within two (2) calendar days of service of such motions.
- 6. Responses to requests for document production, entry for inspection, or other purposes must be served in-hand within (5) calendar days.
- 7. Requests for admissions will be deemed admitted unless answered within three (3) calendar days of service.
- 8. Discovery and all discovery-related pleadings, such as objections, motions, or answers, served after 12:00 noon on a Friday or after 12:00 noon the day before a holiday recognized by the Commission will be deemed to have been served on the following business day for purposes of tracking due dates.
- 9. The parties are directed to make every reasonable effort to comply with these discovery response times. In those instances when compliance is not possible, despite a party's best efforts, the responding party shall so advise and the parties shall work together to address the requests and responses on a timely basis.

The OCA requests that all discovery due dates be "in-hand" and e-mail service on the due date will satisfy the "in-hand" requirement. The OCA has circulated the above proposed modifications to the parties and has heard no objection.

Respectfully Submitted,

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