

June 18, 2024

Via E-File

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street
Harrisburg, PA 17105

RE: Application of Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc. pursuant to Sections 1102, 1329, and 507 of the Public Utility Code for Approval of its Acquisition of the Wastewater System Assets of Greenville Sanitary Authority
Docket No. A-2023-3041695 – Verification Letter

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

We are counsel for Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc. (“Aqua” or “Company”) in the above-referenced Application proceeding and hereby submit this verification letter evidencing satisfaction of the conditions set forth in your letter dated May 2, 2024, conditionally accepting the Application for filing (“Conditional Acceptance Letter”).

In compliance with the Conditional Acceptance Letter, we are submitting the following items:

1. A Certificate of Service verifying service of the Application upon designated entities on May 20, 2024; and
2. A proof of publication of the notice in *The Record* on May 22, 2024 and May 29, 2024.

The Application was previously submitted to the Office of Consumer Advocate and Office of Small Business Advocate with the initial filing on November 17, 2023.

In further compliance with the Conditional Acceptance Letter, Aqua and Greenville Sanitary Authority (“GSA”), respectively, concurrently provided individualized notice of the proposed acquisition to their customers. Aqua’s provision of notice to its customers was completed on June 18, 2024, and GSA’s notice was completed on June 13, 2024.

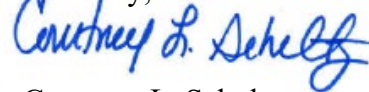
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Accordingly, Aqua respectfully requests that the Commission issue a Secretarial Letter finalizing acceptance of the filing between the dates of June 18, 2024 and June 21, 2024 to allow for the 10-14 day period for a re-write of an opinion, if necessary, following the December 5, 2024 Public Meeting. Aqua also respectfully requests that the Commission proceed with its timely publication of notice of the Application in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*. Specifically, Aqua requests that the publication of notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* occur on July 6, 2024, with a protest period ending July 22, 2024.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Courtney L. Schultz


Encls.

Cc: All Parties Per Certificate of Service

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Courtney L. Schultz, Esquire, hereby certify that on May 20, 2024, Aqua Pennsylvania’s Application in the above docket, was served upon the below Designated Entities. *Via First Class Mail* listed below in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant):

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| Greenville Borough 125 Main Street Greenville, PA 16125 | Greenville Sanitary Authority 125 Main Street Greenville, PA 16125 |
| Greenville Water Authority 125 Main Street Greenville, PA 16125 | Greenville Planning Commission 125 Main Street Greenville, PA 16125 |
| Hempfield Township Todd P. Little, Secretary 278 S. Mercer Street Greenville, PA 16125 | Hempfield Township Planning Commission Ed Bejster, Secretary 1132 Woodward Drive Greensburg, PA 15601 |
| West Salem Township Sewerage Authority 610 Vernon Road Greenville, PA 16125 | West Salem Township Kelly R. Fenton, Secretary 601 Vernon Road Greenville, PA 16125 |
| Mercer County Regional Planning Commission Tara Floch, Secretary 2491 Highland Road Hermitage, PA 16148 | DEP Central Office Harrisburg Jessica Shirley, Secretary Rachel Carson State Office Building 400 Market Street Harrisburg, PA 17101 |
| DEP Northwest Regional Office, Meadville Erin Wells, Secretary 230 Chestnut Street Meadville, PA 16335 | Mr. Shawn Harpst, Chairman Hempfield Township Municipal Authority 278 South Mercer Street Greenville, PA 16125 By:  Courtney L. Schultz, Esquire PA Attorney No. 306479 |
| Dated June 18, 2024 | |

Proof of Publication of Notice in the Record-Argus

Under Act No. 587, Approved May 16, 1929

State of Pennsylvania }
County of Mercer } ss:

Steven J. Gargas of Greenville Newspapers, Inc., of the County and State aforesaid, being duly sworn, deposes and says RECORD-ARGUS, a newspaper of general circulation published at Greenville, County and State aforesaid, was established in 1848 as a weekly newspaper, and in 1897 as a daily newspaper, since which date said daily newspaper has been regularly issued in said County, and that the printed notice or publication attached hereto is exactly the same as was printed and published in the regular editions and issues of said RECORD-ARGUS on the following dates, viz:

..... and the day of
A.D. 2024

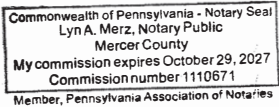
Affiant further deposes that he is authorized by Greenville Newspapers, Inc., publisher of said RECORD-ARGUS, a newspaper of general circulation, to verify the foregoing statement under oath, and affiant is not interested in the subject matter of the aforesaid notice or advertisement, and that all allegations in the foregoing statements as to time, place and character of publication are true.

Steven J. Gargas
Affiant for the Record-Argus

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of
20th May 2024

Lyn A. Merz
Notary Public

My commission expires:



Copy of Notice of Publication

LEGAL NOTICE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Application of Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc. ("Aqua") pursuant to Sections 1102, 1329, and 507 of the Public Utility Code for:
(1) Approval of the acquisition by Aqua of the wastewater system assets of the Greenville Sanitary Authority ("GSA") situated within the Borough of Greenville, Hempfield Township, and West Salem Township, in Mercer County, Pennsylvania;
(2) Approval of the right of Aqua to begin to offer, render, furnish and supply wastewater service to the public in the Borough of Greenville, Hempfield Township, and West Salem Township, in Mercer County, Pennsylvania;
(3) An order approving the acquisition that includes the ratemaking rate base of the GSA wastewater system assets pursuant to Section 1329(c)(2) of the Public Utility Code; and
(4) Approval of Contracts, including Assignment of Contracts, between Aqua and GSA

Pursuant to Section 507 of the Public Utility Code. Docket Number: A-2023-3041695.

Formal protests and petitions to intervene must be filed in accordance with Title 52 of the Pennsylvania Code, on or before July 22, 2024. All filings must be made with the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, P. O. Box 3265, Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265, with a copy served on the Applicant. The documents filed in support of the Application are available for inspection and copying at the Office of the Secretary between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, on the Commission's website at www.puc.pa.gov, and at the Applicant's business address.

Applicant:
Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc.

Through and By Counsel:
Courtney L. Schultz, Esq.
Saul Ewing LLP
1500 Market Street, 38th Floor
Philadelphia, PA, 19102
May 22, 2024

Statement of Advertising Costs

Saul Ewing LLP
1500 Market St, 38th Floor
Philadelphia, Pa 19102

TO THE RECORD-ARGUS, Dr.

For publishing the notice or publication attached hereto on the above stated dates \$ 287.00
Notary fee \$ 5.00
Total \$ 292.00

Publisher's Receipt for Advertising Costs

I, the publisher of the RECORD-ARGUS, a newspaper of general circulation hereby acknowledges receipt of the advertising costs and certifies that the same have been duly paid.

Greenville Newspapers, Inc.
Publisher of the RECORD-ARGUS,
a Newspaper of General Circulation

By

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PUC Docket No.: A-2023-3041695

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Courtney L. Schultz, Esquire, hereby certify that I am on this day, serving copies of Aqua Pennsylvania’s Letter to Secretary Chiavetta, upon the participants listed below in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant):

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Date: June 18, 2024