

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

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| Petition of Pennsylvania-American Water | : | |
| Company For Approval of its Lead Service | : | |
| Line Replacement Program, Related Tariff | : | P-2024-3050263 |
| Changes, and Modification of its Long-Term | : | |
| Infrastructure Improvement Plan | : | |

PREHEARING ORDER #3

On July 22, 2024, Pennsylvania-American Water Company, Inc, (PAWC or the Company) filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) a Petition for Approval of its Third Long-Term Infrastructure Improvement Plan (LTIIP), which included a Lead Service Line Replacement Program (LSLR Program) as a separate and distinct part of its LTIIP under Docket No. P-2024-3050263.

On August 7, 2024, the Office of Small Business Advocate (OSBA) filed a Notice of Intervention and Public Statement.

On August 21, 2024, the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) filed a Notice of Intervention and Public Statement.

On September 26, 2024, the OCA filed an Amended Notice of Intervention and Public Statement.

On October 3, 2024, the Commission assigned the Company's Petition to the Office of Administrative Law Judge (OALJ). Also on October 3, 2024, OALJ issued a Notice scheduling a Call-In Telephonic Prehearing Conference for October 15, 2024. In addition, on that date I issued a Prehearing Conference Order setting forth the parties' obligations with respect to the October 15, 2024 Prehearing Conference.

On October 10, 2024, PAWC, OCA and OSBA each submitted a Prehearing Conference Memorandum. The October 15, 2024 prehearing conference was held as scheduled. At the hearing, *inter alia*, PAWC, OCA and OSBA requested that they be allowed to delay the establishment of a litigations schedule to allow them to pursue settlement discussion and negotiations over a period of 60 days. The request was orally approved and on October 17, 2024, an Order memorializing approval was issued.

On November 14, 2024, OALJ issued a Notice scheduling another Call-In Telephonic Prehearing Conference for December 17, 2024. The December 17, 2024 prehearing conference was held as scheduled. At the hearing, PAWC, OCA and OSBA indicated that settlement negotiations were on-going and requested that they be allowed to further delay the establishment of a litigations schedule and to continue settlement discussion and negotiations for an additional 60 days. The request was orally approved at the December 17, 2024 prehearing conference.

This Order memorializes the approval of the parties' request and the discussion regarding filing of status reports that took place at the December 17, 2024 prehearing conference.

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That the parties of record in this matter i.e., PAWC, OCA and OSBA shall be permitted to engage in settlement discussions and negotiations to resolve all issues that have or may arise in this proceeding from the date of this Order until February 18, 2025.

2. That the parties shall promptly inform the undersigned of the resolution of all of their issues arising in this proceeding.

**P-2024-3050263 - PETITION OF PENNSYLVANIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY
FOR APPROVAL OF A LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM,
RELATED TARIFF CHANGES, AND MODIFICATION OF LONG-TERM
INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

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