

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission	:	R-2024-3049248
Office of Consumer Advocate	:	C-2024-3049646
Office of Small Business Advocate	:	C-2024-3049713
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v.	:	
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City of Lock Haven Water Department	:	
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Petition of the City of Lock Haven Water Department for Authorization to Implement a PENNVEST Surcharge	:	P-2024-3049249

**THIRD
SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULING ORDER**

On July 12, 2024, the Commission issued a telephonic prehearing conference notice, setting these proceedings for a prehearing conference on July 22, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. Also on July 12, 2024, and in accordance with the provisions of 66 Pa.C.S. §333 and 52 Pa.Code §§5.221-5.224, a prehearing conference order was issued outlining various procedural matters to be addressed at the prehearing conference.

Parties agreed to pursue Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) through the Office of Administrative Law Judge’s Mediation Unit. Accordingly, on July 19, 2024, Lock Haven filed Supplement No. 21 to Water – PA P.U.C. No. 1, further suspending the proposed rate effective period from March 2, 2025 to May 1, 2025.

The prehearing conference convened on July 22, 2024 as scheduled. On July 25, 2024, a Scheduling Order was issued, memorializing matters discussed during the prehearing conference and setting forth the procedural rules for this proceeding, including that the parties were to file a status report by September 20, 2024, and a further prehearing conference was scheduled for September 23, 2024.

On September 13, 2024, Lock Haven filed Supplement No. 22 to Water – PA P.U.C. No. 1, further suspending the tariff filed on May 24, 2024 to June 27, 2025. On September 18, 2024, I issued an order, cancelling the September 23, 2024 prehearing conference, and scheduling a further prehearing conference for November 13, 2024.

On November 8, 2024, Lock Haven filed Supplement No. 23 to Water – PA P.U.C. No. 1, further suspending the tariff filed on May 24, 2024 to July 28, 2025. On November 12, 2024, I issued an order, cancelling the November 13, 2024 prehearing conference, and scheduling a further prehearing conference for December 18, 2024.

The prehearing conference convened on December 18, 2024 as scheduled. Counsel for the City of Lock Haven Water Department, the Office of Consumer Advocate, the Office of Small Business Advocate, and the Commission’s Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement appeared. The purpose of this order is to memorialize matters discussed during the December 18, 2024 prehearing conference.

ORDER

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That if parties reach a settlement, a settlement package shall be filed by January 15, 2025;
2. That the settlement package shall include, at minimum: 1) a joint settlement petition; 2) a statement in support from each party; and 3) a joint stipulation of facts;

3. That a tariff supplement and proof of revenue should accompany the joint settlement petition;

4. That if parties do not reach a settlement by January 15, 2025, parties shall either jointly or separately file a status report by January 15, 2025;

5. That the status report(s) shall include, at minimum, a proposed litigation schedule with a reply brief due date of April 7, 2025. The status report(s) may include other proposed matters, e.g., proposed discovery modifications; and

6. That after consideration of the status report(s), a litigation schedule and any other necessary procedural adjustments will be set by order without holding a further prehearing conference.

Date: December 20, 2024

/s/
John M. Coogan
Administrative Law Judge

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