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**Re: Application of Appalachian Utilities, Inc. for Approval to Transfer 40% of Outstanding and Issued Stock; Joint Application of Pennsylvania-American Water Company and Appalachian Utilities, Inc.; Docket Nos. A-2024-3046068, A-2024-3046084 and A-2024-3046092**

**Letter of Pennsylvania-American Water Company and Appalachian Utilities, Inc. in Lieu of Comments and Request for Expedited Decision on the Exceptions and Replies**

Secretary Homsher:

This correspondence is being filed on behalf of Pennsylvania-American Water Company ("PAWC") and Appalachian Utilities, Inc. ("Appalachian"), the applicants in the above-referenced consolidated proceeding. This correspondence is in response to the Joint Motion of Chairman Stephen M. DeFrank and Vice Chair Kimberly M. Barrow (the "Joint Motion"), which was adopted by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("Commission") at the public meeting of June 18, 2025.

PAWC and Appalachian respectfully request removal of the confidential designation of the merger consideration ("Purchase Price") listed in the Agreement and Plan of Merger attached as Appendix B to the Joint Application filed by PAWC and Appalachian in the above-captioned proceeding.

PAWC and Appalachian have shared this correspondence with counsel for all the other parties to this proceeding (the Office of Small Business Advocate and the Office of Consumer Advocate) and PAWC is authorized to represent that neither party objects to this request.

Additionally, PAWC and Appalachian respectfully request that the Commission expeditiously rule on the Exceptions filed on March 22, 2025. Specifically, **PAWC and Appalachian respectfully request that the Commission rule on the Exceptions at its Public Meeting on July 10, 2025.** The instant matters were filed on February 2, 2024. As such, they have already been pending before the Commission for more than sixteen months. A prehearing conference was not held until May 15, 2024. The Parties litigated this case timely, submitting written testimony, appearing at an Evidentiary Hearing, and filing Briefs and Reply Briefs less than

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six months after the Prehearing Conference. An Initial Decision was issued on February 20, 2025. The Parties filed Exceptions and Replies by March 21, 2025. As Commissioner Coleman noted, the Joint Motion was adopted after the expiration of the statutory period for the Commission to rule on Exceptions. 66 Pa. C.S. § 332(h). Consequently, PAWC and Appalachian respectfully request that the Commission expeditiously rule on the Exceptions.

Copies of this correspondence have been served as shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact either of the undersigned counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

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**BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Joint Application of Pennsylvania-American :  
Water Company and Appalachian Utilities, Inc., :  
Pursuant to Section 1102 of the Public Utility :  
Code, for approval of (1) the transfer to American :           Docket Nos. A-2024-3046068  
Water Works Company, Inc., by merger, of all :                                   A-2024-3046084  
property of Appalachian Utilities, Inc. used and :                                   A-2024-3046092  
useful in the public service; (2) the transfer to :  
Pennsylvania-American Water Company, by :  
merger, of all property of Appalachian Utilities, :  
Inc. used or useful in the public service, (3) the :  
right of Pennsylvania-American Water Company :  
to begin to offer, render, furnish and supply water :  
service to the public in the Borough of Avis and :  
Townships of Pine Creek and Dunnstable, Clinton :  
County, Pennsylvania, and (4) the abandonment :  
by Appalachian Utilities, Inc. of all water service :

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I am this 20th day of June, 2025, serving the foregoing **Letter in Lieu of Comments** upon the persons and in the manner indicated below, which service satisfies the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a party).

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