

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Application for Certificate of Public	:	
Convenience and All Necessary	:	
Approvals Nunc Pro Tunc for	:	
Mainlines, Manholes & Wastewater	:	
Treatment Inc. To Provide Wastewater	:	
Services to Portions of Girard	:	A-2024-3050786
Township and Waterford Township,	:	
Erie County, Pennsylvania, Approval	:	
of Affiliated Interest Agreement,	:	
And All Other Approvals as May Be	:	
Necessary or Proper, Including an	:	
Affiliated Interest Agreement	:	

ORDER

Transferring Application
for Technical Review

On August 16, 2024, Mainlines, Manholes & Wastewater Treatment Inc. (MMWT or Applicant) filed an Application with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience to provide wastewater services to portions of Girard Township and Fairview Township, in Erie County, Pennsylvania, in addition to approval of affiliated interest agreements.

On August 28, 2024, the Office of Small Business Advocate (OSBA) entered its appearance in the above-captioned proceeding.

On August 28, 2024, MMWT filed an amended application updating the service area from Fairview Township to Waterford Township and advising the Commission that MMWT no longer sought to serve Fairview Township (Amended Application).

On September 10, 2024, OSBA filed a protest to the Amended Application.

On September 13, 2024, the Commission's Bureau of Technical Utility Services (TUS) served data requests upon MMWT.

On September 20, 2024, the Commission issued a Call-in Telephonic Prehearing Conference Notice scheduling a prehearing conference for October 22, 2024, before Administrative Law Judge Katrina L. Dunderdale (ALJ Dunderdale).

On October 3, 2024, MMWT served partial responses to TUS' Data Requests.

On October 7, 2024, ALJ Dunderdale issued a Prehearing Conference Order requiring the parties to submit prehearing conference memoranda by October 21, 2024.

On October 15, 2024, counsel for MMWT filed a Motion for Stay, noting the parties engaged in discussions. MMWT also noted TUS had issued requests for additional information from Applicant, to which request Applicant was responding. Applicant requested an additional ninety (90) days to provide the parties with time in which to continue their settlement discussions. The stay request indicated OSBA had been contacted and there was no objection to the request.

On October 22, 2024, the presiding officer issued the First Interim Order which cancelled the prehearing conference on October 22, 2024, and required MMWT to serve a written status report every thirty (30) days on behalf of the parties.

Thereafter, MMWT provided status reports to the presiding officer and OSBA via email on November 20, 2024, and May 14, 2025. On both occasions, MMWT indicated the parties were in discussions and searching for documentation to provide to the Commission's Bureau of Technical Utility Services (TUS).

On May 14, 2025, MMWT requested the proceedings continue to be abated until August 12, 2025, by which date the parties expected to submit information into the record and to notify the Commission about a settlement.

On August 22, 2025, the parties filed a Joint Stipulation. The Joint Stipulation memorialized the agreement between MMWT and OSBA that MMWT agreed to send a mailer to small business customers, MMWT would not file for a base rate increase for 24 months. The parties requested that the terms of the stipulation be included in a Commission order approving the Application.

On August 27, 2025, the presiding officer issued the Second Interim Order which granted the parties' request to admit the Joint Stipulation into the hearing record. The Joint Stipulation consists of two pages and was attached to the Second Interim Order. The specific terms of the Joint Stipulation were contained in four alphabetized paragraphs.

On September 4, 2025, the presiding officer received written notice OSBA executed and filed a Notice of Withdrawal of Protest indicating OSBA wished to withdraw its protest to the Application.

AND NOW, to wit, this 26th day of September, 2025, upon consideration of the Notice of Withdrawal of Protest filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission by Protestant, the Office of Small Business Advocate, on September 4, 2025, and in which Protestant withdrew its protest;

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

That the Application of Mainlines, Manholes & Wastewater Treatment Inc., filed on August 16, 2024 at Docket No. A-2024-3050786, seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience to provide wastewater services to portions of Girard Township and Fairview Township, in Erie County, Pennsylvania, in addition to approval of affiliated interest agreements, and as amended on August 28, 2024, to remove Fairview Township from the service area and to add Waterford Township to the proposed service area, is reassigned from the Pennsylvania Public Utility

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