

**BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Application of Pennsylvania-American	:	
Water Company under Section 1102(a) of the	:	
Pennsylvania Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C.S.	:	A-2025-3056563
§ 1102(a), for approval of (1) the transfer, by	:	
sale, of substantially all of the Sutersville-	:	
Sewickley Municipal Sewage Authority’s	:	
assets, properties and rights related to its	:	
sanitary sewage collection and conveyance	:	
system to Pennsylvania-American Water	:	
Company; and (2) the right of Pennsylvania-	:	
American Water Company to begin to offer	:	
and furnish wastewater service to the public in	:	
the Borough of Sutersville and in portions of	:	
Sewickley Township, Westmoreland County,	:	
Pennsylvania	:	

**PREHEARING CONFERENCE ORDER**

You are receiving this order because you have been identified as a person who may have an interest in the proceedings filed with the Public Utility Commission listed in the caption above. This order will describe the process the Commission will follow in considering this Application, the different options you may have for involvement, and how to become a party to this case. There is no requirement that you participate; however, if you do not, then the case will proceed and be decided without your input.

A telephone prehearing conference has been scheduled in this proceeding for Wednesday, November 19, 2025, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in Pittsburgh.

At the above date and time, those wishing to participate at the prehearing conference must call into the conference by following the instructions below. Participants will not be called by the presiding officers.

To participate in the prehearing conference, Participants must:

- Dial the toll-free Conference number below
- Enter the PIN number below when instructed
- Speak the caller's name when prompted, and press #
- Then, the telephone system will connect the caller to the hearing

The telephone number to call in order to participate in the prehearing conference is:

**Toll-free Bridge Number: 866.675.4281**  
**PIN Number: 85057514**

At the prehearing conference, the parties should be prepared to discuss all relevant issues related to this proceeding and any related proceeding, a litigation schedule, as well as the scheduling of public input hearing(s).

In addition, the Parties and Public may review filings and further requirements or Orders entered in these proceedings at the Docket number referenced above, on the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission website at: [www.puc.pa.gov/search/document-search/](http://www.puc.pa.gov/search/document-search/)

All filings must be made with the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, P.O. Box 3265, Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265, and with a copy served on the active parties and the undersigned presiding officers.

The documents filed in support of the Application filed by Pennsylvania American Water Company are available for inspection at the Office of the Commission Secretary.

The Prehearing Conference is for the discussion and planning of the litigation of the case. No testimony will be taken. Lawyers representing parties of record and individual persons representing themselves as full litigants will be permitted to participate in the Prehearing Conference. The Conference is open to the public. At the prehearing conference, the parties should be prepared to discuss all relevant issues related to this proceeding and any related

proceedings, a litigation schedule, as well as any other related proceedings, any objections to Protests or Petitions to Intervene, and the scheduling of public input hearing(s).

In response to this Prehearing Conference Order, you may proceed in one of three ways:

**Do nothing.** If you do nothing after receiving this Prehearing Conference Order, your name will be removed from the service list. After the Prehearing Conference, you will not receive any pleadings, filings, discovery requests, written testimony or orders and decisions in this matter. You may still attend and testify at a public input hearing, if one is scheduled, as explained in the next paragraph.

**Attend a public input hearing if one is scheduled.** Public input hearings, if scheduled, may be held in geographical areas affected by the filings for the purpose of giving citizens who do not wish to participate in the formal litigation an opportunity to express their opinions regarding the Company's proposal. Public input hearings may also be conducted by telephone. If a public input hearing is scheduled, the Commission will publish a notice which includes instructions for how to tell the Commission that you wish to testify. If you testify at a public input hearing, you will not be permitted to also testify at the evidentiary hearings. The Commission notice will also include instructions if you want to listen to the public input hearing but do not wish to testify. Notice of the public input hearing, if one is scheduled, will be published in your local newspaper before it is held and on the Company's website.

**Become a party of record.** As a party of record, you will be served with all of the pleadings, filings, discovery requests, written testimony and orders and decisions served and issued in this proceeding. *These documents will be voluminous.* Your rights as a party of record include the ability to present your own testimony or documents and to cross-examine other witnesses at the formal

hearings, and to file exceptions to the administrative law judges' decision. Your duties as a party of record are that you must answer all discovery requests served upon you in accordance with the rules. You will be required to serve a copy of anything that you file upon the administrative law judges and each party appearing on the service list, as modified after the Prehearing Conference, regardless of the cost of postage. If you intend to present evidence at the formal evidentiary hearings, you will be required to submit your testimony and documents in writing in advance, in accordance with the schedule to be set at the Prehearing Conference and to provide a copy of your written testimony to each party on the service list. You will be expected to participate in accordance with the rules of Commission practice appearing in Title 52 of the Pennsylvania Code Chapters 1, 3 and 5. The Pennsylvania Code is available on-line at [www.pacode.com](http://www.pacode.com).

To become a party of record, you must have filed an appropriate pleading, formal protest or a petition to intervene. Any untimely filed pleading, formal protest or a petition to intervene may be dismissed or stricken from the record. All filings must be made with the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, 400 North Street, Harrisburg, PA 17120, with a copy served on the Applicant.

You are strongly encouraged to register for the Commission's free eFiling subscription service, which allows users to automatically receive an email notification whenever a document is added, removed, or changed on the PUC website regarding a specific case. Instructions for subscribing to this service are on the PUC's website at [http://www.puc.pa.gov/Documentation/eFiling\\_Subscriptions.pdf](http://www.puc.pa.gov/Documentation/eFiling_Subscriptions.pdf).

The parties are further directed to comply with the following requirements:

1. Each party must prepare and distribute a prehearing memorandum which sets forth a brief history of the proceeding, the issues you intend to present, a listing of your proposed witnesses and the subject of their testimony, and a list

of any exhibits or documents you intend to present at the hearing in this proceeding **on or before 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 14, 2025.**

Prehearing memoranda shall also include a proposed litigation schedule. *The parties are expected to confer and attempt to agree to a proposed litigation schedule in advance of the prehearing conference,* to include proposed times, dates and locations of any evidentiary hearings, proposed dates, times, locations and venues for public input hearings as agreed to by all parties if possible, and any other proposed or requested proceedings to be conducted prior to the evidentiary hearing. The undersigned presiding officers may be served with a copy of prehearing memoranda by email at [jeffwatson@pa.gov](mailto:jeffwatson@pa.gov) and [aquimby@pa.gov](mailto:aquimby@pa.gov). Parties represented by multiple attorneys should designate in their prehearing memorandum a lead representative for the purposes of the prehearing conference and the telephone number that legal counsel or any unrepresented Parties intend to use to call into the Prehearing Conference, if possible. The prehearing memoranda shall be provided to the undersigned presiding officers electronically in Microsoft Word format.

2. Please review the regulations pertaining to prehearing conferences, 52 Pa.Code § 5.221-§ 5.224, and in particular, § 5.222(d) which provides, in part:

(d) Parties and counsel will be expected to attend the conference fully prepared for a useful discussion of all problems involved in the proceeding, both procedural and substantive, and fully authorized to make commitments with respect thereto.

3. Parties should review the regulations relating to discovery, specifically 52 Pa.Code § 5.331(b), which provides, *inter alia*, that “a party shall endeavor to initiate discovery as early in the proceedings as reasonably possible,” and 52 Pa.Code § 5.322, which encourages parties to exchange information on an informal basis. All parties are urged to cooperate in discovery and advise the undersigned presiding officers, at the prehearing conference, as to

discovery problems which have not been resolved. There are limitations on discovery and sanctions for abuse of the discovery process. 52 Pa.Code §§ 5.361, 5.371-5.372. The parties are directed to confer prior to the prehearing conference to discuss and attempt to agree upon modifications to the discovery deadlines. In the event the parties are able to agree to any proposed modifications to discovery deadlines, the proposal shall be set forth in the prehearing memoranda.

4. Pursuant to 52 Pa.Code §§ 1.21 & 1.22, if you are an individual, you may represent yourself, or you may be represented by an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or admitted *Pro Hac Vice*. However, if you are a partnership, corporation, trust, association, or governmental agency or subdivision, you must be represented in this proceeding by an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or admitted *Pro Hac Vice*. Unless you are an attorney, you may not represent someone else. Attorneys shall ensure that their appearance is entered in accordance with the provisions of 52 Pa.Code § 1.24(b).

5. Failure of a party to attend the prehearing conference or notify the administrative law judges of their desire to fully participate without good cause shown, shall constitute a waiver of all objections to the agreements reached and matters decided at the prehearing conference, including, but not limited to, any special discovery rules and the litigation schedule established for this case. 52 Pa.Code §§ 5.222(e) & 5.224.

6. You must serve the presiding officers directly with a copy of any document that you file in this proceeding. If you send the undersigned any correspondence or document, you must send a copy to all other parties. For your convenience, a copy of the Commission's current service list of the parties to this proceeding is enclosed with this Order.

7. If you have a limited ability to speak or understand English or are deaf or hearing-impaired, a qualified interpreter can be provided upon your request. If you want an interpreter, please contact the Scheduling Office at least ten (10) days before the scheduled Prehearing Conference or Hearing to make your request.

Scheduling Office: (717) 787-1399

AT&T Relay Service number for persons who are deaf or hearing-impaired:  
1-800-654-5988.

8. In addition to the above requirements, the Parties should review the regulations pertaining to prehearing conferences, 52 Pa.Code § 5.221-§ 5.224, and in particular, § 5.222(d). At the prehearing conference, the parties should be prepared to discuss all relevant issues related to this proceeding and any related proceedings, a litigation schedule, as well as the scheduling of public input hearing(s).

**9. You must serve the presiding Administrative Law Judges directly with a copy of any document that you file in this proceeding.**

10. Parties must serve the undersigned presiding officers directly (electronically at [jeffwatson@pa.gov](mailto:jeffwatson@pa.gov) and [aquimby@pa.gov](mailto:aquimby@pa.gov) and by hard copy if service of hard copies is possible) with any document you file in this proceeding. If you send any document or correspondence, you must send a copy to all other parties in the case. The current service list is attached to this order. Our correct mailing address is:

Administrative Law Judge Jeffrey A. Watson  
Administrative Law Judge Ann Quimby  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
301 Fifth Avenue, Suite 220  
Pittsburgh, PA 15222

11. The following outline for a proposed litigation schedule is offered for consideration of the parties should the parties wish to present evidence in this proceeding through written testimony:

Prehearing conference

November 19, 2025

Direct testimony of other parties

Rebuttal testimony

Surrebuttal testimony

In-Person Evidentiary hearings

Main Briefs

Reply Brief

Public Meeting

12. The parties may request firm deadlines, by agreement, by submitting a request to the undersigned presiding officers prior to the prehearing conference in this proceeding, or as set forth in their prehearing memoranda.

Date: October 9, 2025

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/s/  
Jeffrey A. Watson  
Administrative Law Judge

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/s/  
Ann Quimby  
Administrative Law Judge

**A-2025-3056563 APPLICATION OF PENNSYLVANIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY UNDER SECTION 1102(A) OF THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY CODE, 66 PA. C.S. § 1102(A), FOR APPROVAL OF (1) THE TRANSFER, BY SALE, OF SUBSTANTIALLY ALL OF THE SUTERSVILLE-SEWICKLEY MUNICIPAL SEWAGE AUTHORITY'S ASSETS, PROPERTIES AND RIGHTS RELATED TO ITS SANITARY SEWAGE COLLECTION AND CONVEYANCE SYSTEM TO PENNSYLVANIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY; AND (2) THE RIGHT OF PENNSYLVANIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY TO BEGIN TO OFFER AND FURNISH WASTEWATER SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE BOROUGH OF SUTERSVILLE AND IN PORTIONS OF SEWICKLEY TOWNSHIP, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

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