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NOTICE TO PLEAD

YOU ARE HEREBY ADVISED THAT, PURSUANT TO 52 PA. CODE § 5.66, YOU MAY ANSWER THE ENCLOSED PETITION TO INTERVENE WITHIN TWENTY (20) DAYS OF THE DATE OF SERVICE HEREOF. YOUR ANSWER TO THE PETITION TO INTERVENE MUST BE FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION, P.O. BOX 3265, HARRISBURG, PA 17105-3265. A COPY SHOULD ALSO BE SERVED ON THE UNDERSIGNED COUNSEL FOR SPRING GARDEN TOWNSHIP.

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PETITION TO INTERVENE

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §§ 5.71, 5.72 and 5.74, Spring Garden Township ("Spring Garden"), by and through its attorneys, Obermayer Rebmann Maxwell & Hippel LLP, hereby files with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (the "Commission") this Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned Joint Application of American Water Works Company, Inc., Essential Utilities, Inc., Aqua Pennsylvania, Inc., Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc., Peoples Natural Gas Company LLC, and Alpha Merger Sub, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience under Sections 1102(a)(3) and 2210(c) of the Public Utility Code and All Other Necessary Approvals to Effect a Change of Control of Aqua Pennsylvania, Inc., Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater, Inc., and Peoples Natural Gas Company LLC. The Application directly affects the interests of Spring Garden, which are not adequately represented by any existing party. For the reasons that follow, Spring Garden respectfully requests that the Commission grant its Petition to Intervene, and in support thereof avers as follows:

1. Petitioner, Spring Garden, is a duly organized and validly existing Township of the First Class located in York County, Pennsylvania, with a business address of 340 Tri Hill Road, York, Pennsylvania 17403.

2. Spring Garden is interested in the above-captioned docket as a party to a bulk agreement with Pennsylvania-American Water Company ("PAWC") pursuant to which PAWC provides wastewater collection, conveyance, and treatment services to Spring Garden's residents resulting from PAWC's 2022 acquisition of the wastewater system assets of the City of York (the "City").

3. Spring Garden seeks to intervene to represent and protect the interests of its residents and constituents who became PAWC's customers pursuant to that transaction. Specifically, Spring Garden seeks to ensure that these customers retain the same benefits and protections provided for in that transaction.

4. 52 Pa. Code § 5.72 sets forth the eligibility requirements for a party to intervene and provides in part as follows:

> (a) Persons. A petition to intervene may be filed by a person claiming a right to intervene or an interest of such nature that intervention is necessary or appropriate to the administration of the statute under which the proceeding is brought. The right or interest may be one of the following:
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> > (1) A right conferred by statute of the United States or of the Commonwealth;
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> > (2) An interest which may be directly affected and which is not adequately represented by existing participants, and as to which the petitioner may be bound by the action of the Commission in the proceeding;
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> > (3) Another interest of such nature that participation of the petitioner may be in the public interest.

5. Spring Garden seeks intervention in the proceeding for due cause shown for the following reasons:

(a) Spring Garden is a party to bulk agreement with PAWC that allows for Spring Garden to transport wastewater to the sewage collection system, interceptors, and wastewater treatment plant (the "System") that PAWC acquired from the City in 2022 for treatment;

(b) Spring Garden seeks to ensure that the benefits and protections provided for in the bulk agreement, as well the services actively being provided by PAWC, are maintained, including all post-closing obligations agreed to by PAWC in connection with its acquisition of the System;

(c) Spring Garden seeks to further ensure that its residents are afforded fair and reasonable treatment in connection with the instant proposed transaction, and that the service being provided by PAWC will not be negatively impacted, particularly in view of a lack of clarity of how such service may be impacted by the "implementation team" resulting from the transaction; and

(d) Spring Garden seeks to protect the interests of all Spring Garden residents who could be affected by the proposed transaction set forth in the Joint Application, including any potential rate impact.

6. Spring Garden has a substantial and bona fide interest in the subject matter of this docket and its interests, which are unique to its service area, cannot be represented or protected adequately by other existing parties to this docket.

7. As a municipality whose residents are receiving critical services from PAWC, Spring Garden submits that its intervention is in the public interest.

8. Spring Garden intends to play an active role in the PUC's decision-making process and its participation herein will not unduly prejudice any party.

WHEREFORE Spring Garden Township respectfully requests that the Commission grant the instant Petition to Intervene in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

I, Luther Wike, Jr., the Township Manager for Spring Garden Township, hereby verify that the statements of fact made in the foregoing petition are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and that I expect to be able to prove the same at a hearing held in this matter. I understand that the statements made herein are subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. § 4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).

Dated: 12/23/2025

Luther Wike, Jr.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Matthew Olesh, Esq., hereby certify that I have served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Petition to Intervene upon the parties list below in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code §§ 1.54 (relating to service by a party) via electronic mail.

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