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Senate of Pennsylvania

West Chester
December 23, 2025

Matthew L. Homsher, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building, Second Floor
400 North Street
Harrisburg, PA 17120

RE: Pennsylvania American Water Proposed Rate Increase [R-2025-3057983](#) & [R-2025-3058051](#)

Dear Chairman DeFrank,

We are writing to request that the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) hold an in-person, public hearing in Chester County on Pennsylvania American Water's proposed increase of \$168.7 million (approximately 14.6%) in total annual operating revenues for water and wastewater service.

Pennsylvania American Water serves about 37,000 people in Chester County through its Coatesville Water and Wastewater System, and the Royersford Water System serves an additional 50,000 people across northern Chester County and adjacent areas. Like others across the Commonwealth, our constituents have shouldered multiple water rate hikes in recent years, including in 2023 and 2024. As working families continue to grapple with rising consumer costs, instability at the federal level, and ongoing attempts to cut vital human services programs, these biennial rate hikes are pushing basic necessities further and further out of reach.

While we appreciate the PUC holding multiple telephone public hearings and in-person hearings in Washington, Lackawanna, Berks, and Dauphin Counties, our constituents deserve the opportunity to make their voices heard in person. We respectfully ask the PUC to add a public hearing in Chester County on this proposed rate increase.

Thank you for considering this request. Please let us know if you have any questions or if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Carolyn T. Comitta in black ink.

Carolyn T. Comitta
State Senator – 19th District

Handwritten signature of Katie Muth in black ink.

Katie Muth
State Senator – 44th District