

**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Adam M. Copenhaver, Complainant  
v.  
Columbia Water Company, Respondent

**Docket No. C-2026-3060873**

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**COMPLAINANT'S REPLY TO RESPONDENT'S ANSWER**

Opposition to Motion for Emergency Supersedeas

*Regarding Respondent's Mischaracterization of Controlling Authority*

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Complainant Adam M. Copenhaver, pro se, respectfully submits this reply to address a single, discrete issue in Respondent's Answer opposing the Motion for Emergency Supersedeas: Respondent's reliance on an interim rate order rather than the Commission's Final Order in characterizing the approved PENNVEST surcharge.

In its Answer, Respondent cites an interim figure from the rate proceeding in Docket No. R-2014-2445660 in support of its characterization of the surcharge as properly authorized. That interim figure was superseded by the Commission's **Final Order entered August 11, 2016**. The Final Order, not the interim order, is the controlling instrument. The Final Order reduced the surcharge from the interim figure to \$8.03 per equivalent dwelling unit per month and is the document upon which each successive tariff supplement has purportedly been predicated.

Respondent's Answer references the more favorable interim figure while omitting the Final Order that superseded it. The difference between the interim figure cited by Respondent and the figure established by the Commission's own Final Order is approximately \$0.15 per EDU per month. Across each successive tariff supplement since 2016, and across the full ratepayer base, that differential has compounded without adjudicated examination.

The Commission's Final Order in Docket No. R-2014-2445660, entered August 11, 2016, is already in the record of this proceeding as Exhibit Group 7 of Complainant's Combined Exhibit Filing. It speaks for itself.

**Complainant respectfully submits that the Commission's own Final Order governs, not the interim order selectively cited by Respondent's counsel.**

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the date set forth below, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Complainant's Reply upon the following by electronic mail:

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