

November 9, 2023

Via Email

Hon. Sherri L. Golden, Secretary Board of Public Utilities 44 South Clinton Avenue, 1st Floor P.O. Box 350 Trenton, NJ 08625-0350

> In the Matter of the Petition of New Jersey-American Water Company, Inc. for Approval to Change the Levels of its Purchased Water Adjustment Clause and Purchase Wastewater Treatment Clause BPU Docket No. WR2311

Dear Secretary Golden:

On behalf of New Jersey-American Water Company, Inc., enclosed please find the Petition, Testimony and Schedules for filing in the above-referenced matter.

Very truly yours,

Christopher M. Arfaa

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I/M/O the Petition of New Jersey American Water Company, Inc. to Change the Levels of its Purchased Water Adjustment Clause and Purchased Wastewater Treatment Adjustment Clause BPU Docket No. WR2311XXXX

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BEFORE THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF : BPU Docket No. WR2311

NEW JERSEY-AMERICAN WATER

COMPANY, INC. FOR AUTHORIZATION TO

CHANGE THE LEVEL OF ITS PURCHASED : PETITION

WATER ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE AND

PURCHASED WASTEWATER TREATMENT

ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE

TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES:

Petitioner, New Jersey-American Water Company, Inc. ("NJAWC"), a public utility corporation of the State of New Jersey, with its principal office at 1 Water Street, Camden, New Jersey 08102, hereby petitions the Board of Public Utilities ("Board") of the State of New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-21 and N.J.A.C. 14:9-7.1 et seq., and such statutes, regulations and Board orders that may be deemed by the Board to be applicable, for approval to change the levels of its existing purchased water adjustment charges and purchased wastewater treatment adjustment charges. The proposed rates in this Petition would decrease annual revenues by \$1,539,423 or -0.18%. In support of this Petition, NJAWC states as follows:

1. NJAWC is a regulated public utility corporation engaged in the production, treatment and distribution of water, and collection and treatment of wastewater within its defined service territory within the State of New Jersey. Said service territory includes portions of the following counties: Atlantic, Bergen, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Essex, Gloucester, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Salem, Somerset, Union and Warren. As of December 31, 2022, NJAWC serves approximately 662,000 metered water and fire service customers and 53,200 sewer service customers.

- 2. At the present time, NJAWC purchases water on a routine basis from six separate entities and purchases wastewater treatment services from three separate entities, each of which adjusts its rates for service, and, in the case of wastewater treatment service providers, issues wastewater deficit/credit adjustments, at different times throughout the year. The six water purveyors are: Passaic Valley Water Commission ("PVWC"); Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority; Montclair Water Bureau; New Jersey Water Supply Authority ("NJWSA"); City of Newark; and Borough of Florham Park. The three wastewater treatment purveyors are: Cape May County Municipal Utilities Authority ("CMCMUA") for the Company's Ocean City Sewer tariff group; Ocean County Utilities Authority ("OCUA") for the Company's Lakewood Sewer tariff group; and Howell Township for the Company's Adelphia Sewer tariff group. True and correct copies of the contracts for purchased water and purchased wastewater treatment are annexed to this Petition as Appendix A.¹
- 3. In NJAWC's base rate case at BPU Docket No. WR06030257, the Board ordered that all purchased water adjustment costs and purchased wastewater treatment costs be removed from the Company's base rates and recovered through the Purchased Water Adjustment Clause ("PWAC") and Purchased Wastewater Treatment Adjustment Clause ("PSTAC"), as appropriate. (Order dated April 2, 2007, BPU Docket No. WR06030257, slip op. at 5.)
- 4. In that same docket, the Board ordered that these clauses will be subject to deferred accounting, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:9-7.1 et seq., and that all purchased water adjustment costs and all purchased wastewater treatment adjustment costs will be recovered through these clauses, as is appropriate. (Order dated April 2, 2007, BPU Docket No. WR06030257, slip op. at 5.)

¹ NJAWC has redacted the locations of points of delivery and interconnection in the purchase agreements for security reasons.

- 5. In that same docket, the Board ordered that NJAWC make annual filings for the recovery of these costs in accordance with the Board's rules and regulations pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:9-7.1, et seq. (Order dated April 2, 2007, BPU Docket No. WR06030257, slip op. at 5.)
 - 6. The present Petition is filed in accordance with N.J.A.C. 14:9-7.1, et seq.
- 7. NJAWC's current PWAC and PSTAC rates were established in BPU Docket No. WR222110693, by an Order dated April 26, 2023, with rates effective May 1, 2023. By virtue of that Order, NJAWC's PWAC rate was established at \$0.5477 per thousand gallons of water as reflected in the Company's Tariff BPU No. 8, on PWAC Rate Schedule O-1.
- 8. The PWAC is not applicable to customers receiving private or public fire protection, since these customers do not receive metered water consumption services.
 - 9. By that same Order, the Company's PSTAC rates were addressed as follows:
 - For customers in Lakewood Township, Ocean County, the rate per thousand gallons of monthly usage (based upon winter usage January, February and March meter readings) reflected on PSTAC Rate Schedule 2-B, was set at \$4.6191 per thousand gallons.
 - For customers in Ocean City, Cape May County, the rate per thousand gallons of prior year's summer quarter water usage (July, August and September meter readings) reflected in the Company's PSTAC Rate Schedule 1-B, was set at \$33.7033 per thousand gallons.
 - For customers in the Adelphia system in Howell Township, Monmouth County, the rate per thousand gallons of monthly water usage, reflected in PSTAC Rate Schedule 3-B, was set at \$6.9196 per thousand gallons.
- 10. NJAWC proposes a decrease to its PWAC rate of \$0.5477 per thousand gallons of water to a new PWAC rate of \$0.5242 per thousand gallons of water, as set forth within its present PWAC Rate Schedule O-1. The Company proposes to address its PSTAC charges as follows:
 - For Lakewood Township, Ocean County, the rate per thousand gallons as reflected within PSTAC Rate Schedule 2-B will change from \$4.6191 per thousand gallons to \$4.2610 per thousand gallons.

- For customers in Ocean City, Cape May County, the rate per thousand gallons of prior year's summer water quarter usage (July, August and September meter readings) as reflected upon PSTAC Rate Schedule 1-B, will change from \$33.7033 per thousand gallons to \$34.9441 per thousand gallons.
- For customers in the Adelphia section of Howell Township, Monmouth County, the rate per thousand gallons of water as reflected upon PSTAC Rate Schedule 3-B, will change from \$6.9196 per thousand gallons to \$6.9398 per thousand gallons.
- 11. If implemented as proposed, the PWAC rate of a typical residential customer utilizing 66,240 gallons of water per year would result in a \$0.13 decrease in the average monthly bill.
- 12. The PSTAC rate increase/decrease for a typical residential wastewater treatment service customer in Lakewood Township, Ocean County utilizing 16,560 gallons of water in the winter quarter, would result in a decrease in the average monthly bill of \$1.98 or 3.03%; the PSTAC rate increase for a typical residential wastewater treatment service customer in Ocean City, Cape May County utilizing 16,560 gallons of water in the summer quarter and 66,240 gallons of water per year, would result in an increase in the average monthly bill of \$1.71 or 2.19%; the PSTAC rate increase for a typical residential wastewater treatment service customer in the Adelphia section of Howell Township, Monmouth County utilizing 66,240 gallons of water per year, would result in an increase in the average monthly bill of \$0.11 or 0.14%.
 - 13. Attached hereto and incorporated herein is the following testimony:
 - Direct Testimony of Jamie D. Hawn, Senior Manager of Rates and Regulatory, New Jersey-American Water Company, Inc., Exhibit PT-1
 - Direct Testimony of Oleg Kostin, Director of Operations, New Jersey-American Water Company, Inc., Exhibit PT-2
- 14. Ms. Hawn's testimony addresses, *inter alia*, historic water supply purchases and historic purchased water costs incurred by NJAWC, and historic PWAC revenue recovered by

NJAWC during the year ending March 31, 2024; historic purchased wastewater treatment costs and historic PSTAC revenue recovered by NJAWC during the year ending March 31, 2024; projected PWAC and PSTAC costs and revenues for the year ended March 31, 2025; and a true up reconciliation of actual purchased water and purchased wastewater treatment costs, versus PWAC and PSTAC revenues for the year ending March 31, 2023, and the calculation of interest thereon, as applicable. Ms. Hawn's testimony also provides a rate calculation for the PWAC and PSTAC rates for the year ending March 31, 2025. Finally, Ms. Hawn's testimony supports the proposed PWAC and PSTAC Tariffs.

- 15. Mr. Kostin's testimony addresses projected PWAC volumes and cost recoveries for the year ending March 31, 2025.
- 16. With respect to N.J.A.C. 14:9-7.3(a), the Company's total purchased water expense for the year ending March 31, 2024, amounts to \$37,600,404 and its purchased wastewater treatment expense for the same period amounts to \$19,621,764, whereas the total Company operating and maintenance expense for the 2022 calendar year was \$279,300,164. Accordingly, NJAWC's total purchased water and wastewater treatment cost exceeds 10% of the total amount of its operating and maintenance expense.
- 17. In accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 14:9-7.6(b)(1), attached to this Petition as Appendix A and discussed in the direct testimony of Ms. Hawn are true and correct copies of the contracts for the purchase of water and the contracts for the purchase of wastewater treatment.² The contracts for the purchase of water are also discussed in the direct testimony of Mr. Kostin.

² As noted above, NJAWC has redacted the location of points of delivery and interconnection from the agreements for security reasons.

- 18. In accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 14:9-7.6(b)(3), as of the conclusion of NJAWC's most recent base rate proceeding, BPU Docket No. WR22010019, NJAWC served approximately 660,000 water and fire service customers and 49,900 sewer service customers. The Order in that case was issued on August 17, 2022, and effective on August 24, 2022, and rates were effective September 1, 2022.
- 19. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 14:9-7.6(b)(4), the total actual volume of water (MGY) and purchased wastewater treatment (MGY) contained within and that underlie the NJAWC's current PWAC and PSTAC rates in NJAWC's most recent PWAC/PSTAC filing, BPU Docket No. WR22110693, were 61,604.1 MGY and 3,122.4 MGY, respectively. For calendar year 2022, the volumes are 61,994.3 MGY and 3,089.3 MGY, respectively.
- 20. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 14:9-7.6(b)(6) and N.J.A.C. 14:1-5.12, copies of the proposed PWAC and PSTAC tariff sheets are attached to the testimony of Ms. Hawn as Schedule JDH-A and Schedule JDH-B, respectively.
- 21. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 14:9-7.6(b)(7), a copy of the most recent Board Orders approving base rates and PWAC/PSTAC rates for NJAWC are attached to the testimony of Ms. Hawn.
- 22. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 14:9-7.6(b)(8), set forth in the testimonies of Mr. Kostin and Ms. Hawn are descriptions of NJAWC's efforts to investigate and negotiate with purveyors to ensure that charges are not such that they will hamper NJAWC's efforts to ensure that its rates are just and reasonable.
- 23. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 14:9-7.6(b)(9), the expenditures related to this filing, including those associated with the costs of the public notice and public hearings, will be provided upon request when incurred.

- 24. Notice of this filing, and the effect thereof, will be served by mail upon the clerks of municipalities within NJAWC's service area, upon the Clerks of the Boards of Chosen Freeholders within NJAWC's service area, and upon the County Executives within NJAWC's service area, at least 20 days prior to the date set for the public hearing, which notice shall include and specify the time and place of said hearing. A copy of the proposed form of notice is attached to this Petition as Exhibit A.
- 25. Customers will be notified of this filing and the effect thereof as well as the time and place of the public hearing by publication of Exhibit A, at least 20 days prior to the date set for the public hearing, in newspapers of general circulation within NJAWC's service territory.
- 26. Additionally, the Petition and applicable attachments as well as the Public Hearing Notice for this proceeding can be viewed on NJAWC's website at www.newjerseyamwater.com by first selecting Customer Service and then Your Water and Wastewater Rates.
- 27. Notice of this filing and a copy thereof has been served upon the Director, Division of Rate Counsel, via email as permitted by the Board in Docket No. EO20030254.
- 28. Notice of this filing and a copy thereof has been served upon the Department of Law & Public Safety via email as permitted by the Board in Docket No. EO20030254.
- 29. Proof of Service of the Notice as previously referred to herein will be filed with the Board.
- 30. NJAWC respectfully submits that the rates requested by it herein are just and reasonable in all respects.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner New Jersey-American Water Company, Inc. respectfully requests that the Board find and determine as follows:

- 1. That the proposed PWAC and PSTAC rates set forth in this Petition are just and reasonable; and
- 2. That NJAWC is entitled to such other and further relief as the Board may deem reasonable and proper under the circumstances represented to it in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

NEW JERSEY-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC.

By: Christopher M. Arfaa

Dated: November 9, 2023

Notice to Petitioner in this case should be sent to:

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

SS

COUNTY OF CAMDEN :

Jamie D. Hawn, of full age, being duly sworn, according to law, deposes and says:

- 1. I am the Director of Rates and Regulatory for New Jersey-American Water Company, Inc. and authorized to make this Verification on behalf of that Company.
- 2. I have reviewed the within Petition, and the information contained therein is true according to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

amie D. Hawn

Sworn to and subscribed this 9th day of November, 2023

Donna L. Carney, Notary

DONNA L. CARNEY

NOTARY PUBLIC

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MAY 24, 2028

NEW JERSEY-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

NEW JERSEY-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC. NOTICE OF FILING OF PETITION FOR APPROVAL TO CHANGE THE LEVEL OF ITS PURCHASED WATER ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE AND PURCHASED WASTEWATER TREATMENT ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE BPU Docket No. WR2311XXXX

TO OUR CUSTOMERS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on November 9, 2023, New Jersey-American Water Company, Inc. ("Company") filed with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board"), pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 48:2-21 and *N.J.A.C.* 14:9-7.1, *et seq.*, a petition seeking to change rates for water and sewer service through revisions to the Purchased Water and Purchased Wastewater Treatment Adjustment Clauses ("PWAC" and "PSTAC", respectively). The proposed rates in the petition would decrease annual revenues by \$1,539,423, or 0.18%. The proposed changes in rates provide no profits to the Company. The rates represent the pass-through of charges from purveyors who provide water and wastewater treatment services to the Company. The proposed rates are further described in this Notice after the information regarding public comments.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that virtual public comment hearings on the Company's petition have been scheduled as follows:

A:30 P.M. Dial in to 1-862-294-2638 and enter conference ID: ______#, or join by video conference at https://bit.ly/______ via the Internet. 5:30 P.M. Dial in to 1-862-294-2638 and enter conference ID: D: ______#, or join by video conference at https://bit.ly/_____ via the Internet. The virtual public comment hearings will be presided over by a hearing officer

designated by the Board. Representatives of the Company, Board Staff and the New Jersey

Division of Rate Counsel will participate in the virtual public hearings. Members of the public are invited to participate and express their views on the proposed rates. Such comments will be made a part of the final record in the proceeding.

Whether or not you attend the virtual public hearings, written comments may be submitted to the Board. While all comments will be given equal consideration and will be made part of the final record of this proceeding, the preferred method of transmittal is via the Board's Public Document Search tool. Search for the docket number WR2311XXXX, and post by utilizing the "Post Comments" button. Comments may also be emailed to the Secretary of the Board, in pdf or Word format, at board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov. Written comments may also be mailed to the attention of the Honorable Sherri L. Golden, Secretary at the Board of Public Utilities, 44 South Clinton Avenue, 1st Floor, P.O. Box 350, Trenton, NJ 08625-0350. Persons submitting written comments should include Docket No. WR2311XXXX in their submissions.

IN ORDER TO ENCOURAGE FULL PARTICIPATION IN THIS

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE SUBMIT ANY REQUESTS FOR

NEEDED ACCOMMODATIONS, INCLUDING INTERPRETERS OR MOBILITY

ASSISTANCE, TO THE COMPANY 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THIS HEARING TO

DENISE FREE, SENIOR DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS AND EXTERNAL

AFFAIRS, NEW JERSEY-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC. AT (856) 955-4874 or

DENISE.FREE@AMWATER.COM.

PURCHASED WATER ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE (PWAC)

The existing rates for GENERAL METERED, GENERAL SALES FOR RESALE, COMMODITY-DEMAND, OFF-PEAK DEMAND, SERVICE TO OTHER SYSTEMS,

EXHIBIT A

PEAKING SERVICE, and OPTIONAL INDUSTRIAL WHOLESALE water customers served throughout the State of New Jersey, are proposed to be adjusted as follows.

In addition to all other charges for metered service, the following additional charges, per Rate Schedule O-1 of the Company's Tariff B.P.U. No. 8, per 100 gallons and per 1,000 gallons, for all sales will be made to recover purchased water costs not currently recovered in the consumption charge or any other charge:

	Gallons	Rate Per	Rate Per
	Per Month	100 Gallons	1,000 Gallons
Non-Exempt	All	\$0.05242	\$0.5242
Exempt	All	\$0.04528	\$0.4528

SET FORTH IN THE CHART BELOW ARE THE PRESENT AND PROPOSED CHARGES FOR THE TYPICAL RESIDENTIAL WATER CUSTOMER CONSUMING 5,520 GALLONS PER MONTH AND THE RESULTING CHANGES:

	Present	Proposed	Amount	Percentage
	Per Month	Per Month	<u>Change</u>	Change
Statewide - GMS	\$65.79	\$65.66	-\$0.13	-0.20%
Statewide - SFR	\$65.79	\$65.66	-\$0.13	-0.20%
Rate Schedule A-15	\$63.24	\$63.11	-\$0.13	-0.21%
Rate Schedule A-16	\$41.94	\$41.81	-\$0.13	-0.31%

PURCHASED WASTEWATER TREATMENT ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE (PSTAC)

In addition to all other existing charges for General Metered Sewer Service in OCEAN CITY, CAPE MAY COUNTY the following PSTAC charges per 100 gallons and per 1,000 gallons, will be included within the Minimum Service Charge rates as set forth on Rate Schedule 1-A of the Company's Tariff B.P.U. No. 8 – Sewer:

	Gallons	Rate Per	Rate Per
	Per Month	100 Gallons	<u>1,000 Gallons</u>
Non-Exempt			
and Exempt	All	\$3.49441	\$34.9441

THE TYPICAL RESIDENTIAL WASTEWATER SERVICE CUSTOMER IN
OCEAN CITY WITH SUMMER QUARTER USAGE OF 16,560 GALLONS, 66,240
GALLONS ANNUALLY, PRESENTLY PAYING \$77.98 PER MONTH, WOULD PAY

\$79.69 PER MONTH UNDER PROPOSED RATES, WHICH IS AN INCREASE OF \$1.71 OR 2.19%.

Present	Proposed Per	Amount	Percentage
Per Month	<u>Month</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Increase</u>
\$77.98	\$79.69	\$1.71	2.19%

In addition to all other existing charges for General Metered Sewer Service in LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP, OCEAN COUNTY, the following PSTAC charges per 100 gallons and per 1,000 gallons, for all sales will be made to recover purchased wastewater treatment and disposal costs not included in the Sewer Usage Charge or any other charges set forth on Rate Schedule 2-A of the Company's Tariff B.P.U. No. 8 – Sewer:

	Gallons Per	Rate Per	Rate Per
	<u>Month</u>	100 Gallons	<u>1,000 Gallons</u>
Non-Exempt			
and Exempt	All	\$0.42610	\$ 4.2610

THE TYPICAL RESIDENTIAL WASTEWATER SERVICE CUSTOMER IN LAKEWOOD WITH WINTER QUARTER USAGE OF 16,560 GALLONS, 66,240 GALLONS ANNUALLY, PRESENTLY PAYING \$65.43 PER MONTH, WOULD PAY \$63.45 PER MONTH UNDER PROPOSED RATES, WHICH IS A DECREASE OF \$1.98 OR 3.03%.

Present Per	Proposed Per	Amount	Percentage
<u>Month</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	Decrease
\$65.43	\$63.45	\$1.98	3.03%

In addition to all other existing charges for General Metered Sewer Service in the Adelphia section of the TOWNSHIP OF HOWELL, MONMOUTH COUNTY the following PSTAC charges per 100 gallons and per 1,000 gallons for all sales will be made to recover purchased wastewater treatment and disposal costs not included in the Sewer Usage Charge or any other charges set forth on Rate Schedule 3-A of the Company's Tariff B.P.U. No. 8 – Sewer:

Gallons Per Rate Per Rate Per Month 100 Gallons 1,000 Gallons Non-Exempt

and Exempt All \$0.69398 \$6.9398

THE TYPICAL RESIDENTIAL WASTEWATER SERVICE CUSTOMER IN HOWELL WITH USAGE OF 66,240 GALLONS ANNUALLY, PRESENTLY PAYING \$79.20 PER MONTH, WOULD PAY \$79.31 PER MONTH UNDER PROPOSED RATES, WHICH IS AN INCREASE OF \$0.11 OR 0.14%.

Present Per Month	Proposed Per Month	Amount <u>Increase</u>	Percentage <u>Increase</u>
\$79.20	\$79.31	\$0.11	0.14%

NO INCREASES ARE PROPOSED FOR PUBLIC OR PRIVATE FIRE
PROTECTION SERVICE CUSTOMERS NOR ARE ANY INCREASES PROPOSED
FOR ANY OF THE COMPANY'S FIXED SERVICE CHARGES OR DEMAND
CHARGES APPLICABLE TO METERED WATER SERVICE.

Notice of the petition was served on the clerk, executive or administrator of each municipality and county in the service area of the Company. Further information and copies of the petition may be obtained at the Board of Public Utilities' Offices located at 44 South Clinton Avenue, 1st Floor, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350. Any members of the public who wish to inspect the petition at the Board should contact the Board's Division of Case Management at (609) 913-6298 or board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov. Additionally, the petition and applicable attachments as well as the Public Hearing Notice for this proceeding can be viewed on the Company's website at www.newjerseyamwater.com by first selecting Customer Service and then Your Water and Wastewater Rates.

EXHIBIT A

Any relief determined by the Board of Public Utilities to be just and reasonable may be applied by the Board of Public Utilities in such manner as it may deem appropriate.

BY: MARK K. McDONOUGH President

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