#### BEFORE THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF
NEW JERSEY-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC.
FOR APPROVAL OF INCREASED TARIFF RATES
AND CHARGES FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICE,
CHANGE IN DEPRECIATION RATES, AND
OTHER TARIFF MODIFICATIONS

BPU Docket No. WR2401\_\_\_\_

**Direct Testimony of** 

Harold Walker, III

Exhibit P-13

#### INTRODUCTION

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- 2 1. Q. Please state your name and address.
- A. My name is Harold Walker, III. My business address is 1010 Adams Avenue,
- 4 Audubon, Pennsylvania, 19403.

#### 5 **2. Q.** By whom are you employed?

- 6 A. I am employed by Gannett Fleming Valuation and Rate Consultants, LLC as Manager,
- 7 Financial Studies.

#### 8 3. Q. What is your educational background and employment experience?

- A. My educational background, business experience and qualifications are provided at the
- end of Exhibit P-13 as Appendix A.

#### 11 **SCOPE OF TESTIMONY**

#### 12 **4. Q.** What is the purpose of your testimony?

- A. The purpose of my testimony is to recommend appropriate working capital allowances
- that New Jersey-American Water Company, Inc. ("New Jersey-American Water,"
- "NJAWC" or the "Company") should be afforded an opportunity to earn on as part of
- its rate base. My recommendation is based upon the results of a lead-lag study of
- 17 NJAWC that was performed under my direct supervision.

#### 18 5. O. Have you prepared an exhibit presenting the results of your study?

- 19 A. Yes. I have prepared 27 Schedules identified as Schedule HW-1 through Schedule
- 20 HW-27 summarizing the Company's working capital requirement in this proceeding.

#### PRINCIPLES OF WORKING CAPITAL

2	6.	Q.	Please	explain	the	ratemaking	principles	concerning	the	inclusion	of	working
3			capital	l as an el	eme	nt of rate bas	se?					

A. The working capital allowance is a component of rate base. A utility's need for working capital was first recognized in the noted Supreme Court case, *Smyth v. Ames.*<sup>1</sup> Among the many benchmarks established in the case was the "property devoted to public use" doctrine as a basis for fixing rates. The case recognized that among the matters to be considered in determining the value of property used was "the sum required to meet operating expenses." Since that time working capital has generally been recognized as a proper item to be included in the rate base on which a utility is entitled to earn a return.

The rationale for the inclusion of working capital in rate base is to compensate investors for the use of that amount of their funds needed by the business over and above the investment in plant and other tangible assets. Working capital bridges the gap between the time funds are provided by investors to provide service to the customer and the time the revenue requirement is received from the customer as reimbursement for these services.

<sup>1</sup> Smyth v. Ames, 169 U.S. 466 (1898), overruled on other grounds by Fed Power Comm'n v. Nat. Gas Pipeline Co. of Am., 315 U.S. 575, 586 (1942). Specifically, Fed. Power Comm'n departed from the holding in Smyth that fair market value in cost of service ratemaking must be used and instead concluded that "[t]he Constitution does not bind rate-making bodies to the service of any single formula or combination of formulas."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> *Id.* at 547.

The lead-lag study in this case represents the level of funding required to operate on a day-to-day basis in providing for the cost of service. This is measured by calculating the net lag between (1) the provision of the cost of service and the receipt of the revenue requirement from the Company's customers and (2) the receipt of goods and services used by the Company in providing service and the payment by the Company for those cost of service items.

The net lag is multiplied by the average daily cost of service or revenue requirement to determine the working capital requirement. That requirement is included in rate base to provide investors with a return on the funds required by the Company for daily operations.

#### RESULTS OF THE LEAD-LAG STUDY

#### 7. Q. What time period does your lead-lag study encompass?

A. The lead-lag study in this case analyzed the revenues and the associated cost of service during the 12 months ended June 30, 2023 to derive the appropriate lag (lead) days. The appropriate lag (lead) days were then used to develop the pro forma 12-months ending June 30, 2024 weighted revenue requirement and associated weighted cost of service to calculate the Company's working capital requirement.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Company's working capital requirement and the pro forma 12-months ending June 30, 2024 weighted revenue requirement and associated weighted cost of service schedules will be updated as needed throughout the proceeding.

#### 8. Q. What are the results of the lead-lag study?

- A. The lead-lag schedules are set forth in Schedule HW-1 through Schedule HW-27.
- 3 Schedule HW-1 summarizes New Jersey-American Water's working capital
- 4 requirement of \$116,300,000.

#### 5 9. Q. Please describe Schedule HW-1.

6 A. Schedule HW-1 calculates the net lag days and applies the result to the average daily 7 cost of service or revenue requirement. The weighted lag days for the receipt of the revenue requirement is developed at the top of the schedule, with supporting detail 8 9 shown in Schedule HW-2. Lag days are then computed for cost of service items. The 10 cost of service represents the sum of annual operating and maintenance expenses, 11 depreciation expense, taxes other than income, income taxes, and the operating income 12 (i.e., product of the rate base times the recommended rate of return). The supporting detail of the cost of service items is provided in Schedule HW-3. 13

#### 10. Q. How did you calculate the working capital requirement shown on Schedule

#### 15 **HW-1?**

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A. The working capital requirement shown on Schedule HW-1 was calculated by subtracting the weighted lag days for the cost of service of 16.5 from the weighted average lag days for the revenue requirement of 53.7 to determine the net lag days of 37.2. The 37.2 net lag days is multiplied by the average adjusted daily cost of service or revenue requirement of \$3,125,634. The result is a working capital requirement of approximately \$116,300,000.

1	11. Q. Please explain the procedures used to determine the lag days for the revenue
2	requirement for the Company.
3	A. Schedule HW-2 of the exhibit summarizes the development of the 53.7 lag days for
4	revenue requirement for the Company. The lag days for revenue requirement are
5	comprised of service period lag, billing lag, and collection lag.
6	12. Q. Please explain the procedures used to determine the service period lag days fo
7	the revenue requirement.
8	A. The lag days for NJAWC's service period and the billing lag are developed on page
9	of Schedule HW-2. The service period lag is the average time between actual mete
10	readings, roughly 29.6 days, based on monthly billing. The average time between
11	meter readings, roughly 29.6 days, is divided by two to produce a midpoint for the
12	service period lag of 14.8 days.
13	The next period to be measured is from the meter reading date to the time the custome
14	is billed. The customer billing date is the day when the total billing amount for a cycle
15	is recorded to accounts receivable. The bills are prepared, mailed, and posted to
16	accounts payable 4.3 days after meters are read and the billed amount is recorded to
17	accounts receivable. Adding the midpoint for the service period lag to the billing lag
18	produces a combined 19.1 day service period and billing lag.
19	13. Q. Please describe the procedure used to calculate the collection lag portion of the
20	revenue lag.

1	A. The collection lag is the average number of days from the date the bills were mailed to
2	the date payments are received. This was determined by summing the daily accounts
3	receivable balance during the test year and dividing by the sum of the daily test year
4	receipts. This results in an average collection lag of 34.6 days for NJAWC as shown
5	on page 3 of Schedule HW- 2.

#### 6 14. Q. Please summarize the total revenue lag.

A. The total revenue lag of 53.7 days is the sum of the service period and billing lag of 19.1 days and the collection lag of 34.6 days as shown on page 1 of Schedule HW-2.

# 15. Q. Please explain the revenue adjustment line item shown on Schedule HW-1 for the Company.

A. The revenue adjustment line item adds back the purchased water adjustment clause ("PWAC") and the purchased wastewater treatment adjustment clause ("PSTAC") that the Company collects as a surcharge and subtracts insurance other than group and property tax expense. The PWAC and PSTAC are included as part of the lead-lag study because the Company has working capital requirements associated with the lag between the payment for the expenses related to the services provided by the PWAC and the PSTAC and receipt of revenues. Insurance other than group and property tax expense are excluded because these two items are included in the prepaid line in rate base.

# 16. Q. Please explain the calculation of lag days for the cost of service expenses shown on Schedule HW-1.

A. On Schedule HW-1 the cost of service expenses are separated into three major sub-accounts based upon the Company's cost of service. The three major sub accounts include: operating expenses; taxes other than income taxes; and income taxes and utility operating income. For each cost of service expense item that is shown, the lag days were calculated for each invoice or account based on the midpoints of the service periods to the dates the Company paid the invoices or accounts. Schedule HW-3 summarizes the lag days for each cost of service expense item and identifies the source schedule.

# 17. Q. How were the lag days determined for the operating expenses sub account line items shown on Schedule HW-1?

A. For most of the operating expenses sub account line items shown, the lag days were determined for each invoice or account sampled based on the midpoints of the service periods to the dates NJAWC paid the invoices or accounts based on varying levels of sampling of data.<sup>4</sup> The exceptions were the depreciation and amortization line item and three other expenses line items.<sup>5</sup> The lag days for the three other expenses line items were assumed to be 30 days, which is equal to the weighted average lag days found for operating expenses (excluding depreciation and amortization) that were sampled. Sampling for the line-item dollars (or expenses) averaged 83% reflecting a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> It should be noted that the number of expense line items sampled were consistent with the number sampled in the 2021 rate case to avoid concerns raised by other parties in rate cases prior to 2021 regarding expense line items not being sampled.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The three other expenses line items include regulatory expense, engineered coating of steel structures and property sales.

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range of sampling from 21% to 100% of the total line-item dollars (or expenses) being sampled. For example, the weighted average lag days for purchased water equal 58.6 days (see Schedule HW-4). The lag days for purchased water expense were calculated for each invoice examined based on the midpoints of the service periods to the dates NJAWC paid the invoices. In total, 86% of the purchased water expenses were sampled. Similar analyses were conducted for sewage treatment (see Schedule HW-5), power (see Schedule HW-6), chemicals (see Schedule HW-7), waste disposal (see Schedule HW-8), salaries and wages (see Schedule HW-9), pensions (see Schedule HW-10), group insurance (see Schedule HW-11), other benefits (see Schedule HW-12), support services costs (see Schedule HW-13), rents (see Schedule HW-14), transportation (see Schedule HW-15), customer accounting (see Schedule HW-16), other operating expenses (see Schedule HW-17), contracted services (see Schedule HW-18), building maintenance and services (see Schedule HW-19), telecommunication expenses (see Schedule HW-20), office supplies and services (see Schedule HW-21), employee related expense travel & entertainment (see Schedule HW-22), miscellaneous expenses (see Schedule HW-23), and maintenance service & supplies (see Schedule HW-24). For uncollectables expense, a zero lag has been assigned to recognize the full revenue lag related to this expense. For the depreciation and amortization line item, a zero lag

weighted average 17.9 lag days as shown on Schedule HW-1.

has been assigned because these are deducted from rate base when the expense is

recorded. In total, NJAWC's operating expenses sub account line items have a

1	18. Q. Please explain in more detail why a zero lag day should be assigned to the
2	depreciation and amortization line item.

A. A zero lag has been assigned because accumulated depreciation, the contra account for the depreciation expense, has been deducted from rate base. The accumulated depreciation account balance always includes an uncollected amount of depreciation expense that is equal to the revenue requirement lag days (i.e., 53.7 days). Assigning a zero lag recognizes that investor funding occurred but it has not yet been recovered from customers.

# 19. Q. How were the lag days determined for the taxes other than income tax sub account line items shown on Schedule HW-1?

A. For most of the taxes other than income tax sub account line items shown, the lag days were calculated based on the midpoint of the tax period to the payment date, weighted by the actual amount paid. The exception being the excise tax and Gross Receipts and Franchise Tax ("GRFT") on "proposed increase" line items and the "taxes – other" line item. The taxes other than income tax sub account line items that were calculated based upon the actual amounts paid are shown on Schedule HW-25 for excise tax payments at present rates and GRFT payments at present rates and Schedule HW-26 for payroll taxes. As is evident from reviewing Schedule HW-25, many taxes are paid before the mid-point of the tax period, thus resulting in negative lag days or lead days from the service period.

20. Q. How were the lag days determined for the excise tax on the proposed increase, GRFT on the proposed increase, the payroll taxes and taxes - other line item?

1	A.	The lag days assigned to the excise tax and GRFT on the proposed increase line items
2		represent the incremental increase in these taxes resulting from the full approval of the
3		Company's rate request. That is, assuming full approval of the Company's rate request
4		increase will result in an incremental increase in the level of excise tax and GRFT over
5		that which was paid during the test year. This incremental increase in excise tax and
6		GRFT on proposed increase has a lag that is 365 days greater than the excise tax
7		payment at present rates and the GRFT at present rates that are developed on Schedule
8		HW-25. The logic for adding the additional 365 days is to account for the difference
9		between the test year and the year following rate implementation.
10		The lag days used for the payroll taxes, Schedule HW-26, reflect the 11.5 lag days
11		determined for the payroll taxes. The lag days for the taxes - other line item were
12		calculated based on an assumed midpoint of a monthly service period, or 15 days, plus
13		an estimated 30 days to pay such expenses. In total, the taxes other than income tax
14		sub account line items have a weighted average 52.6 lag days as shown on Schedule
15		HW-1.
16	21. Q.	Can you please explain in more detail how you calculated the lag days for excise
17		tax on present rates and GRFT on present rates in your study?
18	A.	The Company's actual individual payments of the excise tax on present rates and GRFT

A. The Company's actual individual payments of the excise tax on present rates and GRFT on present rates and the actual service periods are shown on Schedule HW-25. Based on a review of the Company's 2022 excise tax and GRFT tax forms or worksheets, each of these taxes is composed of a prepayment portion and a current year portion. However, all the payments for these taxes were made during the 2022 base tax year

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and are, in fact, 2022 taxes. The prepayment portion represents a future year's liability that the State of New Jersey requires to be prepaid in the current year (i.e., 2022). As shown on Schedule HW-25, the excise tax on present rates has a weighted average lag, or negative lag, of -237.0 days. This is composed of -62.0 lag days, or negative lag, of the current year's portion and -427.5 lag days, or negative lag, of the prepayment portion. Similarly, the GRFT on present rates has a weighted average lag of 29.0 days. This is composed of 31.8 lag days of the current year's portion and -414.5 lag days, or negative lag, of the prepayment portion.

# 22. Q. How were the lag days determined for the income taxes and operating income sub account line items shown on Schedule HW-1?

A. For the federal taxes (current) sub account line item shown, the lag days were calculated based on the midpoint of the tax period to the payment date, weighted by the percent of the payment required. The derivation of the federal taxes (current) 36.5 lag days is shown on Schedule HW-27.

For both deferred taxes and utility operating income line items, a zero lag has been assigned. Deferred taxes have been assigned a zero lag because they are deducted from rate base, as they are recorded as part of accumulated deferred taxes. A zero lag has been assigned to utility operating income because it is the property of investors. In total, the income taxes and operating income sub account line items have a weighted average of 3.1 lag days as shown on Schedule HW-1.

### 23. Q. Please explain in more detail why a zero lag day should be assigned to the deferred taxes and utility operating income line items?

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A. Concerning deferred taxes, a zero lag has been assigned because accumulated deferred taxes have been deducted from rate base as a source of cost-free funds. As is the case with accumulated depreciation, the deferred taxes account balance always includes an uncollected amount of deferred taxes expense that is equal to the revenue requirement lag days (i.e., 53.7 days). Therefore, the recorded amount of accumulated deferred taxes, deducted from rate base, overstates the actual amount of available cost-free capital by an amount equal to the revenue requirement lag days. Assigning a zero lag recognizes that a portion of these cost-free funds have not been recovered from customers.

A zero lag has been assigned to utility operating income, or return on invested capital, because operating income is the property of investors when it is earned.<sup>6</sup> Further, operating income is earned when service is provided. However, when service is provided, the operating income is not collected simultaneously as is evidenced by the existence of the revenue requirement lag days. This situation is remedied by assigning a zero lag to operating income in recognition that these earnings have not been recovered from customers.<sup>7</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Bluefield Water Works v. Public Service Comm'n, 262 U.S. 679 (1923) ("Rates which are not sufficient to yield a reasonable return on the value of the property used at the time it is being used to render the service of the utility to the public are unjust, unreasonable, and confiscatory, and their enforcement deprives the public utility company of its property, in violation of the Fourteenth Amendment." 262 U. S. at 690).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Atlantic City Electric Company, Board Docket No. 8310-883, August 17, 1984 ("The return on investment is the property of investors when service is provided. Payment from operating income for long and short term debt,

#### 24. Q. Please summarize your determination of the working capital requirement shown

#### 2 **on Schedule HW-1?**

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- A. NJAWC's working capital requirement shown on Schedule HW-1 was calculated by subtracting the weighted average lag days for the cost of service of 16.5 from the weighted average lag days for the revenue requirement of 53.7 to determine the net lag days of 37.2. The 37.2 net lag days is multiplied by the average daily cost of service or revenue requirement of \$3,125,634. The result is a working capital requirement of \$116,300,000.
- 9 25. Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?
- 10 A. Yes, it does.

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preferred stock and common stock dividends require a zero payment lag because the funds used to render these payments are the property of investors of a utility."); Re Public Service Electric and Gas Company, Docket No. 837-620, Decision and Order dated March 23, 1984 (Ex. P-106, P.3); Accounting for Public Utilities, § 5.04[5] ("From a theoretical standpoint, operating income is earned when service is provided, and the operating income is the property of the investors in the company when earned.")

Professional Qualifications of Harold Walker, III Manager, Financial Studies Gannett Fleming, Inc.

#### **EDUCATION**

Mr. Walker graduated from Pennsylvania State University in 1984 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Finance. His studies concentrated on securities analysis and portfolio management with an emphasis on economics and quantitative business analysis. He has also completed the regulation and the rate-making process courses presented by the College of Business Administration and Economics Center for Public Utilities at New Mexico State University. Additionally, he has attended programs presented by The Institute of Chartered Financial Analysts (CFA).

Mr. Walker was awarded the professional designation "Certified Rate of Return Analyst" ("CRRA") by the Society of Utility and Regulatory Financial Analysts. This designation is based upon education, experience and the successful completion of a comprehensive examination. He is also a member of the Society of Utility and Regulatory Financial Analysts ("SURFA") and has attended numerous financial forums sponsored by the Society. The SURFA forums are recognized by the Association for Investment Management and Research ("AIMR") and the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy for continuing education credits.

Mr. Walker also obtained a license as a Municipal Advisor Representative (Series 50) by Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB") and Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA).

#### **BUSINESS EXPERIENCE**

Prior to joining Gannett Fleming Valuation and Rate Consultants, LLC., Mr. Walker was employed by AUS Consultants - Utility Services. He held various positions during his eleven years with AUS, concluding his employment there as a Vice President. His duties included providing and supervising financial and economic studies on behalf of investor owned and municipally owned water, wastewater, electric, natural gas distribution and transmission, oil pipeline and telephone utilities as well as resource recovery companies.

In 1996, Mr. Walker joined Gannett Fleming Valuation and Rate Consultants, LLC. In his capacity as Manager, Financial Studies and for the past twenty years, he has continuously studied rates of return requirements for regulated firms. In this regard, he supervised the preparation of rate of return studies in connection with his testimony and in the past, for other individuals. He also assisted and/or developed dividend policy studies, nuclear prudence studies, calculated fixed charge rates for avoided costs involving cogeneration projects, financial decision studies for capital budgeting purposes and developed financial models for determining future capital requirements and the effect of those requirements on investors and ratepayers, valued utility property and common stock for acquisition and divestiture, and assisted in the private placement of fixed capital securities for public utilities.

Mr. Walker headed Gannett Fleming's GASB 34 Task Force which was esponsible for developing Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) 34 services and educating Gannett Fleming personnel and Gannett Fleming clients on GASB 34 and how it may affect them. The GASB 34 related services include inventory of assets, valuation of assets, salvage estimation, annual depreciation rate determination, estimation of depreciation reserve, asset service life determination, asset condition assessment, condition assessment documentation, maintenance estimate for asset preservation, establishment of condition level index, geographic information system ("GIS") and data management services, management discussion and analysis ("MD&A") reporting, required supplemental information ("RSI") reporting, auditor interface, and GASB 34 compliance review.

In 2004, Mr. Walker was elected to serve on the Board of Directors of SURFA. Previously, he served as an ex-officio director as an advisor to SURFA's existing President. In 2000, Mr. Walker was elected President of SURFA for the 2001-2002 term. Prior to that, he was elected to serve on the Board of Directors of SURFA during the period 1997-1998 and 1999-2000. Currently, he also serves on the Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association, Electric Deregulation Committee.

#### **EXPERT TESTIMONY**

Mr. Walker has submitted testimony or been deposed on various topics before regulatory commissions and courts in 27 states including: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New Hampshire, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia. His testimonies covered various subjects including lead-lag studies, fair rate of return, fair market value, the taking of natural resources, benchmarking, appropriate capital structure and fixed capital cost rates, depreciation, purchased water adjustments, synchronization of interest charges for income tax purposes, valuation, cash working capital, financial analyses of investment alternatives, and fair value. The following tabulation provides a listing of the electric power, natural gas distribution, telephone, wastewater, and water service utility cases in which he has been involved as a witness.

Client Docket No.

Alpena Power Company U-10020

<u>Client</u>	Docket No.				
Armstrong Telephone Company -					
Northern Division	92-0884-T-42T				
Armstrong Telephone Company -					
Northern Division	95-0571-T-42T				
Artesian Water Company, Inc.	90 10				
Artesian Water Company, Inc.	06 158				
Aqua Illinois Consolidated Water Divisions					
and Consolidated Sewer Divisions	11-0436				
Aqua Illinois Hawthorn Woods					
Wastewater Division	07 0620/07 0621/08 0067				
Aqua Illinois Hawthorn Woods Water Division	07 0620/07 0621/08 0067				
Aqua Illinois Kankakee Water Division	10-0194				
Aqua Illinois Kankakee Water Division	14-0419				
Aqua Illinois Vermilion Division	07 0620/07 0621/08 0067				
Aqua Illinois Willowbrook Wastewater Division	07 0620/07 0621/08 0067				
Aqua Illinois Willowbrook					
Water Division	07 0620/07 0621/08 0067				
Aqua Pennsylvania, Inc	A-2022-3034143				
Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater Inc	A-2016-2580061				
Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater Inc	A-2017-2605434				
Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater Inc	A-2018-3001582				
Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater Inc	A-2019-3008491				
Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater Inc	A-2019-3009052				
Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater Inc	A-2019-3015173				
Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater Inc	A-2021-3024267				
Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater Inc	A-2021-3026132				
Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater Inc	A-2021-3027268				
Aqua Pennsylvania Wastewater Inc	A-2023-3041695				
Aqua Virginia - Alpha Water Corporation	Pue-2009-00059				
Aqua Virginia - Blue Ridge Utility Company, Inc.	Pue-2009-00059				
Aqua Virginia - Caroline Utilities, Inc. (Wastewater)	Pue-2009-00059				
Aqua Virginia - Caroline Utilities, Inc. (Water)	Pue-2009-00059				
Aqua Virginia - Earlysville Forest Water Company	Pue-2009-00059				
Aqua Virginia - Heritage Homes of Virginia	Pue-2009-00059				
Aqua Virginia - Indian River Water Company	Pue-2009-00059				
Aqua Virginia - James River Service Corp.	Pue-2009-00059				
Aqua Virginia - Lake Holiday Utilities, Inc.					

<u>Client</u>	Docket No.		
(Wastewater)	Pue-2009-00059		
Aqua Virginia - Lake Holiday Utilities, Inc. (Water)	Pue-2009-00059		
Aqua Virginia - Lake Monticello Services Co.			
(Wastewater)	Pue-2009-00059		
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(Water)	Pue-2009-00059		
Aqua Virginia - Lake Shawnee Aqua Virginia - Land'or Utility Company	Pue-2009-00059		
(Wastewater)	Pue-2009-00059		
Aqua Virginia - Land'or Utility Company (Water)	Pue-2009-00059		
Aqua Virginia - Mountainview Water Company, Inc.	Pue-2009-00059		
Aqua Virginia - Powhatan Water Works, Inc.	Pue-2009-00059		
Aqua Virginia - Rainbow Forest Water Corporation	Pue-2009-00059		
Aqua Virginia - Shawnee Land	Pue-2009-00059		
Aqua Virginia - Sydnor Water Corporation	Pue-2009-00059		
Aqua Virginia - Water Distributors, Inc.	Pue-2009-00059		
Atlantic City Sewerage Company	WR21071006		
Berkshire Gas Company	18-40		
Berkshire Gas Company	22-20		
Bermuda Water Company, Inc	W-01812A-22-0256		
Borough of Brentwood	A-2021-3024058		
Borough of Hanover	R-2009-2106908		
Borough of Hanover	R-2012-2311725		
Borough of Hanover	R-2014-242830		
Borough of Hanover	R-2021-3026116		
Borough of Hanover	P-2021-3026854		
Borough of Royersford	A-2020-3019634		
Butler Area Sewer Authority	A-2020-3019634		
Chaparral City Water Company	W 02113a 04 0616		
California-American Water Company	CIVCV156413		
Connecticut-American Water Company	99-08-32		
Connecticut Water Company	06 07 08		
Citizens Utilities Company			
Colorado Gas Division	-		
Citizens Utilities Company			
Vermont Electric Division	5426		
Citizens Utilities Home Water Company	R 901664		

<u>Client</u>	Docket No.
Citizens Utilities Water Company	
of Pennsylvania	R 901663
City of Beaver Falls	A-2022-3033138
City of Bethlehem - Bureau of Water	R-00984375
City of Bethlehem - Bureau of Water	R 00072492
City of Bethlehem - Bureau of Water	R-2013-2390244
City of Bethlehem - Bureau of Water	R-2020-3020256
City of Dubois – Bureau of Water	R-2013-2350509
City of Dubois – Bureau of Water	R-2016-2554150
City of Lancaster Sewer Fund	R-00005109
City of Lancaster Sewer Fund	R-00049862
City of Lancaster Sewer Fund	R-2012-2310366
City of Lancaster Sewer Fund	R-2019-3010955
City of Lancaster Sewer Fund	R-2019-3010955
City of Lancaster Water Fund	R-00984567
City of Lancaster Water Fund	R-00016114
City of Lancaster Water Fund	R 00051167
City of Lancaster Water Fund	R-2010-2179103
City of Lancaster Water Fund	R-2014-2418872
City of Lancaster Water Fund	R-2021-3026682
City of Lancaster Water Fund	P-2022-3035591
Coastland Corporation	15-cvs-216
Consumers Pennsylvania Water Company	
Roaring Creek Division	R-00973869
Consumers Pennsylvania Water Company	
Shenango Valley Division	R-00973972
Country Knolls Water Works, Inc.	90 W 0458
East Resources, Inc West Virginia Utility	06 0445 G 42T
Elizabethtown Water Company	WR06030257
ENSTAR Natural Gas Company	U-22-081
Falls Water Company, Inc.	FLS-W-23-01
Forest Park, Inc.	19-W-0168 & 19-W-0269
Hampton Water Works Company	DW 99-057
Hidden Valley Utility Services, LP	R-2018-3001306
Hidden Valley Utility Services, LP	R-2018-3001307
Illinois American Water Company	16-0093

<u>Client</u>	Docket No.
Illinois American Water Company	22-0210
Indian Rock Water Company	R-911971
Indiana Natural Gas Corporation	38891
Jamaica Water Supply Company	-
Kane Borough Authority	A-2019-3014248
Kentucky American Water Company, Inc.	2007 00134
Kentucky American Water Company, Inc.	2023-00191
Middlesex Water Company	WR 89030266J
Millcreek Township Water Authority	55 198 Y 00021 11
Missouri-American Water Company	WR 2000-281
Missouri-American Water Company	SR 2000-282
Missouri-American Water Company	WR-2022-0303
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## BEFORE THE NEW JERSEY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Docket No. WR2401\_\_\_\_\_

**New Jersey-American Water Company, Inc.** 

**Lead-Lag Schedules** 

Schedule HW-1 Through Schedule HW-27

To Accompany the

Direct Testimony of Harold Walker, III

On Working Capital

#### NEW JERSEY AMERICAN WATER

## CALCULATION OF CASH WORKING CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY AS OF JUNE 30, 2023

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## CALCULATION OF CASH WORKING CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY AS OF JUNE 30, 2023

	Pro Forma	(Lead)/Lag Days			
	12 Mos Ended	Schedule		Weighted	
Description	3/31/2025	Reference	Days	Amount	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	
Operating Revenues					
Water, Sewer, & Other	\$1,094,795,156				
Revenue Adjustments *	46,061,347				
Subtotal Operating Revenues	1,140,856,503	2	53.7	\$61,263,994,211	
Operating Expenses					
Purchased Water	38,777,532	3	58.6	\$2,272,363,375	
Sewage Treatment	19,798,634	3	23.7	469,227,626	
Power	22,419,807	3	28.4	636,722,519	
Chemicals	24,784,099	3	35.2	872,400,285	
Waste Disposal	8,938,989	3	54.1	483,599,305	
Salaries and Wages	57,970,616	3	11.5	666,662,084	
Pensions	1,816,722	3	-2.5	-4,541,805	
Group Insurance	3,654,481	3	10.5	38,372,051	
Other Benefits	4,792,897	3	10.5	50,325,419	
Support Services Costs	53,108,669	3	-3.1	-164,636,874	
Rents	526,503	3	-19.9	-10,477,410	
Transportation	3,707,974	3	50.3	186,511,092	
Uncollectible Accounts Expense	3,851,643	3	0.0	0	
Customer Accounting	7,994,485	3	63.5	507,649,798	
Regulatory Expense	418,950	3	30.0	12,568,500	
Engineered Coating of Steel Structures	9,253,000	3	30.0	277,590,000	
Property Sales	(9,750)	3	30.0	-292,500	
Other Operating Expenses	44,993,529	3	62.6	2,816,594,915	
Acquisition Expenses	3,271,859	3	18.0	58,893,462	
Depreciation & Amortization	201,929,746	3	0.0	0	
Subtotal Operating Expenses	512,000,385		17.9	9,169,531,842	

## CALCULATION OF CASH WORKING CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY AS OF JUNE 30, 2023

	Pro Forma	(Lead)/La	ag Days	
	12 Mos Ended	Schedule		Weighted
Description	3/31/2025	Reference	Days	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Taxes Other Than Income				
Excise Tax at Present Rates	13,885,257	3	-237.0	-3,290,805,909
GRFT at Present Rates	111,082,054	3	29.0	3,221,379,566
Excise Tax on Proposed Increase	2,444,367	3	128.0	312,878,976
GRFT on Proposed Increase	19,554,934	3	394.0	7,704,643,996
Payroll Taxes	4,555,005	3	11.5	52,382,558
Taxes - Other	3,686,926	3	45.0	165,911,670
Subtotal Taxes Other Than Income	155,208,543		52.6	8,166,390,857
Income Taxes & Utility Operating Income				
Federal Taxes	40,492,835	3	36.5	1,477,988,478
Deferred Taxes	26,580,612	3	0.0	0
Total Income Taxes	67,073,447		22.0	1,477,988,478
Utility Operating Income	406,574,128		0.0	0
Subtotal Income Taxes and Return	473,647,575		3.1	1,477,988,478
Total Expenses, Taxes & Income	\$1,140,856,503		16.5	\$18,813,911,177
Cash Working Capital Requirement (53.7 - 16.5	5) = 37.2 Days		37.2	
Pro Forma Daily Operating Expenses				
(\$1,140,856,503 divided by 365 days) =	\$3,125,634			
Cash Working Capital Requirement (\$3,125,63	4 x 37.2 Days = \$116,273	3,585)		\$116,273,585
			Rounded =	\$116,300,000
* - Revenue Adjustments				
ADD: Purchased Water	\$44,515,022			
ADD: Sewage Treatment	18,996,468			
LESS: Insurance Other Than Group	10,728,733			
LESS: Property Taxes	6,721,410			
Total Revenue Adjustments	\$46,061,347			

## CALCULATION OF CASH WORKING CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Description	Amount	Weighted Amount	(Lead)/ Lag Days
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)=(3)/(2)
Operating Revenues - Water, Sewer, & Other:			
Service Period & Billing Lag: (From mid-point of service period to posting date. See page 2 of this Schedule)	\$894,990,292	\$17,094,314,577	19.1
Collection Lag: (Sum of daily accounts receivable balance divided by the sum of daily receipts. See page 3 of this Schedule)	894,990,292	30,957,510,126	34.6
Total Revenue Lag Days			53.7

#### CALCULATION OF SERVICE PERIOD AND BILLING LAG

Description	Calcultion of Lag
(1)	(2)
Sampled Weighted Service Lag (Jun 2023)	\$2,424,655
Sampled Billing Total (Jun 2023)	163,575
Midpoint Service Period Lag Days	14.8
Sampled Weighted Billing Lag (Jun 2023)	702,029
Sampled Billing Total (Jun 2023) Billing Lag Days	<u>163,575</u> 4.3
Total Service Period & Billing Lag Days	19.1

#### CALCULATION OF COLLECTION LAG

Description		Amount
(1)		(1)
Beginning Accounts Receivable on 7/1/22	\$	84,983,459
Minus Ending Accounts Receivable on 6/30/23		82,837,423
Change in Accounts Receivables for 12-Months	_\$	2,146,037
The Sum of Daily Revenue, 7/1/22 to 6/30/23	\$	892,844,255
Plus Change in A/R for 12-Months	+_	2,146,037
The Sum of 12-Months Daily Receipts	_\$	894,990,292
Sum of Net Daily Accounts Receivable Balance in a Year	\$	30,957,510,126
Divided By The Sum of Daily Receipts in a Year	÷_	894,990,292
Total Service Period Collection Lag		34.6

### SUMMARY OF OPERATING EXPENSES AND TAXES LAG DAYS BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY AS OF JUNE 30, 2023

Description S	Schedule Reference	Amount	Weighted Amount	(Lead)/ _Lag Days
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)=(4)/(3)
Operating Expenses & Taxes*				
Purchased Water	Schedule HW-4	34,703,068	2,033,599,759	58.6
Sewage Treatment	Schedule HW-5	17,692,149	419,303,929	23.7
Power	Schedule HW-6	13,161,837	373,796,175	28.4
Chemicals	Schedule HW-7	10,335,202	363,799,096	35.2
Waste Disposal	Schedule HW-8	6,004,746	324,856,743	54.1
Salaries and Wages	Schedule HW-9	122,733,598	1,411,436,379	11.5
Pensions	Schedule HW-10			-2.5
Group Insurance	Schedule HW-11	13,841,877	145,339,712	10.5
Other Benefits	Schedule HW-12	4,473,012	46,966,627	10.5
Support Services Costs	Schedule HW-13	56,908,033	-176,414,903	-3.1
Rents	Schedule HW-14	374,643	-7,455,395	-19.9
Transportation	Schedule HW-15	2,434,280	122,444,274	50.3
Uncollectible Accounts Expense**				0.0
Customer Accounting	Schedule HW-16	348,929	22,156,995	63.5
Regulatory Expense***				30.0
Engineered Coating of Steel Structures***				30.0
Property Sales***				30.0
Other Operating Expenses	Schedule HW-17	30,867,973	1,932,335,140	62.6
Contracted Services	Schedule HW-18	1,470,688	134,862,074	91.7
Building Maintenance and Services	Schedule HW-19	507,374	30,036,557	59.2
Telecommunication Expenses	Schedule HW-20	749,648	18,666,238	24.9
Office Supplies and Services	Schedule HW-21	347,129	17,877,129	51.5
Employee Related Expense Travel & Entertainment	Schedule HW-22	269,526	12,452,095	46.2
Miscellaneous Expenses	Schedule HW-23	2,074,839	137,354,354	66.2
Maintenance Service & Supplies	Schedule HW-24	1,067,367	42,481,203	39.8
Acquisition Expenses****				18.0
Depreciation & Amortization**				0.0
Excise Tax	Schedule HW-25	13,766,111	-3,262,168,005	-237.0
GRFT	Schedule HW-25	99,299,240	2,879,677,960	29.0
Excise Tax Increase*****				128.0
GRFT Increase*****				394.0
Payroll Taxes	Schedule HW-26	7,014,322	80,664,708	11.5
Taxes - Other*****				45.0
Federal Income Taxes (Current)	Schedule HW-27			36.5
Deferred Taxes**				0.0

Lag days for expenses are calculated from the mid-point of the service period to the payment date. (See Schedules 4 - 27.)

<sup>\*\*</sup> Lag days are assumed to be 0.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Lag days are assumed to be equal to the weighted average lag days found for operating expenses excluding depreciation.

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<sup>\*\*\*\*\*</sup> Represent the incremental increase in these taxes resulting from the full approval of the Company's rate request. The incremental increase in excise tax and GRFT on proposed increase is 365 days greater than the excise tax payment and the GRFT at present rates.

<sup>\*\*\*\*\*\*</sup> Lag days for other expenses and other taxes are estimated based on 15 days for the midpoint of the previous month (service period) plus 30 days to the payment date.

## CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR PURCHASED WATER BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Month			
of	(Lead)/		Weighted
Payment	_Lag Days_	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
July-22	49.4	\$2,619,100.67	\$129,339,102.16
August-22	63.5	3,934,757.43	249,833,500.03
September-22	52.0	1,493,762.52	77,675,651.04
October-22	50.4	5,638,766.57	284,119,819.26
November-22	65.4	3,539,651.53	231,448,073.37
December-22	44.7	3,526,678.02	157,480,224.91
January-23	44.9	1,826,507.44	82,008,481.93
February-23	123.5	3,284,395.51	405,736,394.51
March-23	47.5	1,890,823.75	89,809,522.97
April-23	49.8	3,015,290.59	150,018,643.74
May-23	44.0	1,875,561.45	82,534,432.51
June-23	45.3	2,057,772.08	93,289,367.68
Total Purchased			
Water	58.6	\$34,703,067.56	\$2,033,293,214.08

# TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR SEWAGE TREATMENT BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

#### Month of (Lead)/ Weighted Payment Lag Days Amount Amount (1) (3) (4) (2)July-22 43.5 \$6,756.86 \$293,923.41 August-22 4.8 4,158,369.57 19,846,018.40 September-22 44.5 38,591.25 1,717,257.06 October-22 44.7 50,850.90 2,274,128.45 November-22 8.4 4,157,690.79 34,791,002.80 December-22 42.4 51,982.18 2,202,761.36 January-23 44.3 25,938.65 1,147,787.70 February-23 42.4 36,196.93 1,533,824.97 March-23 29.9 2,225,884.62 66,545,293.88 April-23 45.4 44,637.22 2,025,180.23 52.4 May-23 4,277,348.12 223,924,099.44 June-23 24.3 2,617,901.80 63,599,798.40 **Total Sewage** Treatment 23.7 \$17,692,148.89 \$419,901,076.08

# TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR POWER BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Month			
of	(Lead)/		Weighted
Payment	Lag Days	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
July-22	26.4	\$1,194,710.28	\$31,556,620.12
August-22	29.7	1,465,933.94	43,523,720.47
September-22	29.5	1,466,594.62	43,322,901.88
October-22	33.5	1,153,447.43	38,678,327.59
November-22	30.5	1,226,013.20	37,343,635.34
December-22	28.3	964,271.69	27,270,786.13
January-23	25.0	1,184,205.58	29,576,216.55
February-23	26.7	823,804.22	21,992,438.37
March-23	30.4	1,106,218.77	33,645,871.66
April-23	24.6	884,702.36	21,757,929.61
May-23	25.6	796,041.96	20,366,217.09
June-23	27.3	895,893.10	24,445,099.93
Total Power	28.4	\$13,161,837.15	\$373,479,764.72

# TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR CHEMICALS BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Month			
of	(Lead)/		Weighted
Payment	Lag Days	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
July-22	29.4	\$83,074.40	\$2,440,752.40
August-22	33.0	612,067.30	20,215,576.32
September-22	39.8	1,082,878.80	43,138,509.66
October-22	42.1	1,191,644.48	50,216,409.42
November-22	39.3	982,971.61	38,638,573.94
December-22	35.0	825,954.74	28,870,517.64
January-23	37.9	771,373.97	29,215,221.56
February-23	31.3	899,809.63	28,124,958.95
March-23	35.7	1,039,165.15	37,148,554.54
April-23	32.9	813,770.39	26,810,650.63
May-23	30.8	962,040.59	29,655,801.25
June-23	27.3	1,070,450.52	29,217,346.71
Total Chemicals	35.2	\$10,335,201.58	\$363,692,873.02

## CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR WASTE DISPOSAL BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Month			
of	(Lead)/		Weighted
Payment	_Lag Days_	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
July-22	77.1	\$145,963.34	\$11,253,968.88
August-22	26.7	342,871.16	9,150,636.60
September-22	60.5	475,723.58	28,793,668.58
October-22	54.8	632,071.77	34,617,451.71
November-22	48.2	632,569.20	30,520,426.47
December-22	44.6	271,964.05	12,133,323.38
January-23	56.7	559,858.26	31,723,911.66
February-23	55.9	711,804.16	39,823,375.23
March-23	109.0	435,675.98	47,479,841.37
April-23	48.2	450,174.91	21,694,568.30
May-23	36.9	870,373.32	32,129,609.19
June-23	53.8	475,695.98	25,577,722.82
Total Waste			
Disposal	54.1	\$6,004,745.71	\$324,898,504.17

## CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR SALARIES AND WAGES BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	(Lead)/		Weighted
Facts	_Lag Days_	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)

All company employees are paid for a two week period (i.e., Days 1 through 14).

Pay date is five days following the end of the payroll period (i.e., Day 19, where 19 = 14 + 5).

Lag days are 11.5 days [19 - 7.5 = 11.5; where  $7.5 = (1 + 14 = 15 \div 2 = 7.5)]$ 

	11.5	\$122,733,598.21	\$1,411,436,379.42
Total Salaries and Wages	11.5	\$122,733,598.21	\$1,411,436,379.42

# TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR PENSIONS BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Service	Period	Payment	(Lead)/		Weighted
From	To	Date	Lag Days	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1/1/2022	12/31/2022	8/15/2022	44.0	25%	11.0
1/1/2022	12/31/2022	11/10/2022	131.0	25%	32.8
1/1/2023	12/31/2023	2/15/2023	(137.0)	25%	(34.3)
1/1/2023	12/31/2023	5/15/2023	(48.0)	25%	(12.0)
Total Pensions			(2.5)	100%	(2.5)

### TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR GROUP INSURANCE BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

#### Month of (Lead)/ Weighted Payment Lag Days Amount Amount (1) (2) (3) (4) July-22 10.5 \$1,340,473.95 \$14,074,976.48 August-22 10.5 1,338,937.74 14,058,846.27 September-22 10.5 1,327,763.80 13,941,519.90 October-22 10.5 1,322,745.19 13,888,824.50 November-22 10.5 1,984,366.48 20,835,848.04 December-22 10.5 1,335,531.18 14,023,077.39 January-23 10.5 799,030.21 8,389,817.21 February-23 10.5 793,424.05 8,330,952.53 March-23 10.5 802,294.66 8,424,093.93 April-23 10.5 806,745.68 8,470,829.64 May-23 10.5 12,494,402.34 1,189,943.08 June-23 10.5 800,621.31 8,406,523.76 **Total Group** Insurance 10.5 \$13,841,877.33 \$145,339,711.97

# TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR OTHER BENEFITS BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Month			
of	(Lead)/		Weighted
Payment	_Lag Days_	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
July-22	11.0	\$382,012.42	\$4,201,259.38
August-22	10.3	579,124.32	5,984,709.40
September-22	10.0	381,299.45	3,812,994.50
October-22	10.5	376,323.35	3,951,823.22
November-22	10.5	377,002.97	3,959,113.11
December-22	10.0	375,086.01	3,750,860.10
January-23	11.5	380,040.45	4,366,576.20
February-23	10.0	590,961.00	5,905,458.89
March-23	11.0	423,336.95	4,672,680.25
April-23	10.5	405,049.63	4,251,703.31
May-23	11.0	202,775.58	2,230,531.38
Total Other			
Benefits	10.5	\$4,473,012.13	\$47,087,709.74

#### CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR SUPPORT SERVICES COSTS BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Month			
of	(Lead)/		Weighted
Payment	_Lag Days_	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
July-22	(5.0)	\$5,469,627.96	-\$27,348,139.80
August-22	(5.0)	3,959,653.41	-19,798,267.05
September-22	(3.5)	4,437,848.34	-15,532,469.19
October-22	(5.0)	5,353,540.54	-26,767,702.70
December-22	7.0	9,008,493.85	63,059,456.95
January-23	(4.0)	5,849,028.23	-23,396,112.92
February-23	(5.5)	4,395,191.46	-24,173,553.03
March-23	(7.0)	4,301,731.64	-30,112,121.48
April-23	(3.5)	5,378,938.55	-18,826,284.93
May-23	(6.0)	4,206,860.86	-25,241,165.16
June-23	(6.5)	4,547,118.44	-29,556,269.86
Total Support			
Services Costs	(3.1)	\$56,908,033.28	-\$177,692,629.17

### TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR RENTS BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

#### Month of (Lead)/ Weighted Payment Lag Days Amount Amount (1) (2) (3) (4) July-22 (21.8)\$31,507.12 -\$686,699.36 August-22 (24.5)31,507.12 -771,217.16 September-22 32,269.00 -259,130.78 (8.0)October-22 (21.6)32,269.00 -697,338.36 November-22 (15.9)32,269.00 -513,401.66 December-22 44,530.88 -949,350.92 (21.3)January-23 20,007.12 -550,195.80 (27.5)February-23 32,269.00 -593,430.14 (18.4)March-23 32,269.00 -500,495.76 (15.5)April-23 (21.6)32,269.00 -696,694.34 May-23 (21.7)32,869.29 -714,359.17 June-23 (26.0)20,607.41 -535,792.66 **Total Rents** (19.9)\$374,642.94 -\$7,468,106.11

#### TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR TRANSPORTATION

#### BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Month			
of	(Lead)/		Weighted
Payment	Lag Days	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
July-22	30.5	\$318,490.67	\$9,713,965.44
August-22	76.5	\$222,759.18	\$17,041,077.27
September-22	29.0	361,120.68	10,472,499.72
October-22	(137.5)	60,872.21	-8,369,928.88
December-22	46.0	247,935.47	11,405,031.62
January-23	72.0	583,189.66	42,000,418.49
February-23	75.0	255,358.11	19,151,858.25
March-23	54.5	384,553.82	20,958,183.19
Total			
Transportation	50.3	\$2,434,279.80	\$122,373,105.10

# TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR CUSTOMER ACCOUNTING BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Month			
of	(Lead)/		Weighted
Payment	Lag Days	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
July-22	58.0	\$29,389.33	\$1,704,581.14
August-22	73.0	29,226.35	2,133,534.63
September-22	62.9	27,634.35	1,738,043.50
October-22	71.0	33,537.67	2,381,174.57
November-22	60.6	27,400.30	1,661,411.15
December-22	59.5	32,434.16	1,928,645.84
January-23	57.7	28,683.51	1,655,902.83
February-23	28.0	1,551.55	43,443.40
March-23	51.6	29,591.97	1,527,741.46
April-23	87.2	52,276.72	4,559,280.15
May-23	47.0	32,505.86	1,526,613.18
June-23	52.8	24,697.28	1,302,796.01
Total Customer			
Accounting	63.5	\$348,929.05	\$22,163,167.85

## TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

			Schedule Ref.	
	Test Year	(Lead)/	For (Lead)/	Weighted
Account	Amount	Lag Days	Lag Days	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Contracted Services	\$11,882,209.74	91.7	18	\$1,089,598,632.81
Building Maintenance and Services	4,147,627.93	59.2	19	245,539,573.20
Telecommunication Expenses	2,518,750.85	24.9	20	62,716,896.17
Office Supplies and Services	1,503,169.85	51.5	21	77,413,247.17
Advertising & Marketing Expenses	0.00	NA	NA	0.00
Employee Related Expense Travel & Entertainment	467,070.52	46.2	22	21,578,658.15
Miscellaneous Expenses	878,987.75	66.2	23	58,188,988.85
Maintenance Service & Supplies	9,470,156.85	39.8	24	376,912,242.50
Total Other Operating Expenses	\$30,867,973.48	62.6		\$1,931,948,238.85

## TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR CONTRACTED SERVICES BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Month			
of	(Lead)/		Weighted
Payment	Lag Days	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
July-22	36.9	\$47,981.26	\$1,768,642.58
August-22	96.4	95,636.76	9,220,475.37
September-22	86.4	126,858.23	10,958,615.38
October-22	85.7	75,814.38	6,500,203.34
November-22	68.5	57,310.76	3,926,758.01
December-22	55.2	206,028.07	11,378,978.39
January-23	124.0	197,779.05	24,527,574.01
February-23	53.9	62,277.54	3,358,466.84
March-23	108.4	93,471.32	10,133,635.12
April-23	51.1	83,758.05	4,276,894.39
May-23	43.3	140,199.45	6,068,588.21
June-23	150.5	283,572.96	42,675,383.57
Total Contracted			
Services	91.7	\$1,470,687.83	\$134,794,215.19

## TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND SERVICES BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Month			
of	(Lead)/		Weighted
Payment	_Lag Days_	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
July-22	82.5	\$26,893.67	\$2,217,605.86
August-22	39.4	53,293.28	2,097,944.19
September-22	54.4	34,415.35	1,871,729.31
October-22	55.3	55,216.33	3,052,404.43
November-22	88.7	74,541.92	6,612,575.67
December-22	50.9	39,141.97	1,993,173.22
January-23	43.9	44,599.41	1,958,718.55
February-23	44.8	30,033.90	1,344,606.24
March-23	54.3	34,181.08	1,854,683.23
April-23	73.4	36,456.73	2,675,299.47
May-23	79.3	24,719.35	1,959,027.03
June-23	45.0	53,881.28	2,424,105.08
Total Building Maintenance and			
Services	<u>59.2</u>	\$507,374.27	\$30,061,872.26

## TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR TELECOMMUNICATION EXPENSES BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Month			
of	(Lead)/		Weighted
Payment	Lag Days	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
July-22	19.5	\$61,971.30	\$1,208,453.55
August-22	16.6	55,797.36	926,579.57
September-22	25.6	75,312.47	1,930,590.91
October-22	18.5	45,735.21	846,219.52
November-22	18.2	43,583.84	795,304.65
December-22	34.4	136,853.21	4,701,810.10
January-23	21.0	55,287.62	1,160,170.33
February-23	26.7	55,877.18	1,491,417.41
March-23	30.9	89,322.35	2,761,236.14
April-23	11.2	37,542.20	421,827.63
May-23	32.4	46,633.84	1,509,605.24
June-23	19.4	45,731.54	885,995.26
Total			
Telecommunicati			
on Expenses	24.9	\$749,648.12	\$18,639,210.30

# TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR OFFICE SUPPLIES AND SERVICES BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Month			
of	(Lead)/		Weighted
Payment	_Lag Days_	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
July-22	58.0	\$29,389.33	\$1,704,581.14
August-22	75.5	27,620.75	2,085,366.63
September-22	65.0	25,971.80	1,688,167.00
October-22	71.0	31,740.67	2,253,587.57
November-22	62.5	25,874.70	1,617,168.75
December-22	3.5	47,615.37	165,005.28
January-23	57.5	26,803.01	1,541,173.08
February-23	53.0	26,547.59	1,407,022.27
March-23	53.0	27,825.32	1,474,741.96
April-23	50.5	24,170.98	1,220,634.49
May-23	48.0	30,635.41	1,470,499.68
June-23	54.5	22,933.78	1,249,891.01
Total Office Supplies			
and Services	51.5	\$347,128.71	\$17,877,838.85

#### CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR EMPLOYEE RELATED EXPENSE TRAVEL & ENTERTAINMENT BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Month			
of	(Lead)/		Weighted
Payment	Lag Days	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
July-22	58.0	\$18,867.81	\$1,093,944.56
August-22	55.2	19,734.14	1,088,916.54
September-22	38.9	16,000.95	622,916.96
October-22	38.2	22,494.29	858,362.03
November-22	55.3	22,185.44	1,226,209.63
December-22	35.5	38,440.15	1,363,378.64
January-23	46.4	16,728.86	775,602.43
February-23	42.8	13,091.07	559,983.03
March-23	44.1	20,849.02	918,880.90
April-23	46.8	38,283.64	1,790,069.40
May-23	51.1	24,002.64	1,226,764.78
June-23	48.6	18,847.85	915,698.39
Total Employee Related Expense			
Travel & Entertainment	46.2	\$269,525.86	\$12,440,727.29

## TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Month			
of	(Lead)/		Weighted
Payment	_Lag Days_	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
July-22	51.9	\$36,884.83	\$1,914,631.61
August-22	60.3	60,820.89	3,666,157.02
September-22	81.7	224,276.18	18,326,503.44
October-22	63.6	142,172.91	9,038,926.17
November-22	57.5	186,917.02	10,753,922.50
December-22	54.2	360,915.74	19,566,350.21
January-23	114.8	369,370.24	42,417,510.32
February-23	14.7	127,420.78	1,866,852.25
March-23	82.1	104,978.38	8,621,662.57
April-23	61.3	226,145.95	13,870,218.31
May-23	22.8	131,583.91	2,996,591.47
June-23	41.4	103,352.35	4,274,565.20
Total Miscellaneous			
Expenses	66.2	\$2,074,839.18	\$137,313,891.06

# TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR MAINTENANCE SERVICE & SUPPLIES BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Month			
of	(Lead)/		Weighted
Payment	_Lag Days_	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
July-22	61.0	\$45,119.71	\$2,751,443.91
August-22	(70.5)	65,571.79	-4,621,994.18
September-22	47.6	135,882.36	6,473,171.29
October-22	52.7	63,924.35	3,369,312.47
November-22	61.2	134,083.68	8,208,676.73
December-22	43.9	25,746.43	1,129,748.28
January-23	49.8	48,212.43	2,403,256.14
February-23	41.7	141,222.99	5,886,364.04
March-23	55.1	221,169.19	12,181,287.53
April-23	30.5	102,877.51	3,133,359.27
May-23	18.5	12,043.01	223,152.78
June-23	19.3	71,513.47	1,381,986.55
Total Maintenance			
Service & Supplies	39.8	\$1,067,366.92	\$42,519,764.81

#### TOTAL COMPANY CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR EXCISE TAX BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Service Period		Payment	(Lead)/		Weighted
_	From	То	Date	Lag Days	Amount	Amount
_	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Excise Tax Payme	ents (Used for	present rates calcul	ation)(1)			
PRE - W - EX	1/1/24	12/31/24	5/1/23	(427.5)	\$6,348,910.00	-\$2,714,159,025.00
PRE - S - EX	1/1/24	12/31/24	5/1/23	(427.5)	202,983.00	-86,775,232.50
PRE EX	1/1/24	12/31/24	5/1/23	(427.5)	38,173.00	-16,318,957.50
Curr - W - EX	1/1/23	12/31/23	5/1/23	(62.0)	6,918,012.00	-428,916,744.00
Curr - S - EX	1/1/23	12/31/23	5/1/23	(62.0)	221,209.00	-13,714,958.00
Curr EX	1/1/23	12/31/23	5/1/23	(62.0)	36,824.00	-2,283,088.00
٦	Total Excise Ta	ax Payments for Sta	te Use	(237.0)	\$13,766,111.00	-\$3,262,168,005.00
GRFT Tax Payme	ents (Used for p	oresent rates calcula	ation)(1)			
PRE - W - FR & GR	1/1/24	12/31/24	5/14/23	(414.5)	\$574,419.00	-\$238,096,675.50
PRE - S - FR & GR	1/1/24	12/31/24	5/14/23	(414.5)	40,822.00	-16,920,719.00
PRE FR & GR	1/1/24	12/31/24	5/14/23	(414.5)	3,821.00	-1,583,804.50
PRE - W - FR & GR	1/1/23	12/31/23	8/14/22	(322.0)	845,535.00	-272,262,270.00
PRE - S - FR & GR	1/1/23	12/31/23	8/14/22	(322.0)	16,175.00	-5,208,350.00
PRE FR & GR	1/1/23	12/31/23	8/14/22	(322.0)	12.00	-3,864.00
PRE - W - FR & GR	1/1/23	12/31/23	11/14/22	(230.0)	724,745.00	-166,691,350.00
PRE - S - FR & GR	1/1/23	12/31/23	11/14/22	(230.0)	20,268.00	-4,661,640.00
PRE FR & GR	1/1/23	12/31/23	11/14/22	(230.0)	10.00	-2,300.00
Curr - W - FR & GR	1/1/23	12/31/23	5/14/23	(49.0)	34,358,359.00	-1,683,559,591.00
Curr - S - FR & GR	1/1/23	12/31/23	5/14/23	(49.0)	1,140,337.00	-55,876,513.00
Curr FR & GR	1/1/23	12/31/23	5/14/23	(49.0)	213,752.00	-10,473,848.00
Curr - W - FR & GR	1/1/22	12/31/22	8/14/22	43.0	31,295,512.00	1,345,707,016.00
Curr - S - FR & GR	1/1/22	12/31/22	8/14/22	43.0	989,459.00	42,546,737.00
Curr FR & GR	1/1/22	12/31/22	8/14/22	43.0	220,544.00	9,483,392.00
Curr - W - FR & GR	1/1/22	12/31/22	11/14/22	135.0	26,824,727.00	3,621,338,145.00
Curr - S - FR & GR	1/1/22	12/31/22	11/14/22	135.0	841,703.00	113,629,905.00
Curr FR & GR	1/1/22	12/31/22	11/14/22	135.0	189,040.00	25,520,400.00
Curr FR & GR	1/1/22	12/31/22	12/29/22	180.0	1,000,000.00	180,000,000.00
1	Гotal GRFT Та	ax Payments		29.0	\$99,299,240.00	\$2,882,884,670.00
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		ax Payments - Curr ax Payments - Futu		31.8 (414.5)	\$98,680,178.00 619,062.00	\$3,139,485,869.00 -256,601,199.00
	Total GRFT Ta	-		29.0	\$99,299,240.00	\$2,882,884,670.00
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Notes: (1) The abbreviation used are: Pre - Future Year; Curr - Current Year; W - Water; S - Sewer; EX - Excise Tax Payments; GR - Gross Receipts; and FT - Franchise Payment.

#### CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR PAYROLL TAXES BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Weighted		
Facts	_Lag Days_	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)

All company employees are paid for a two week period (i.e., Days 1 through 14).

Pay date is five days following the end of the payroll period (i.e., Day 19, where 19 = 14 + 5).

Lag days are 11.5 days [19 - 7.5 = 11.5; where 7.5 =  $(1 + 14 = 15 \div 2 = 7.5)$ ]

	11.5	\$7,014,322.40	\$80,664,707.60
Total Payroll			
Taxes	11.5	\$7,014,322.40	\$80,664,707.60

#### CALCULATION OF LEAD DAYS FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAXES (CURRENT) BASED ON LEAD-LAG STUDY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Service	Period	Payment	(Lead)/		Weighted
From	То	Date	Lag Days	Amount	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Federal Income Taxes	(Current)				
1/1/2022	12/31/2022	9/15/2022	75.0	25%	18.8
1/1/2022	12/31/2022	12/15/2022	166.0	25%	41.5
1/1/2023	12/31/2023	4/15/2023	(78.0)	25%	(19.5)
1/1/2023	12/31/2023	6/15/2023	(17.0)	25%	(4.3)
Total Federal Inc	come Taxes (Current)		36.5	100%	36.5