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May 23, 2014

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Honorable Rosemary Chiavetta Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission P.O. Box 3265 Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Re: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission v. City of Bethlehem- 2013 General Water Rate Increase Filing Docket No. R-2013-2390244 (Joint Petition for Settlement)

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

On behalf of the City of Bethlehem,("City"), the Office of Consumer Advocate ("OCA"), the Bureau of Investigation & Enforcement ("I&E") and the Office of Small Business Advocate ("OSBA") please find enclosed an original copy of a Joint Petition for Settlement in the above captioned matter.

Copies of this Settlement Petition are being served on the parties listed in the attached certificate of service. Please contact me if you have any questions concerning this submission.

Sincerely,

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Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Office of Consumer Advocate Office of Small Business Advocate v. City of Bethlehem - Bureau of Water

Docket Nos.: R-2013-2390244 C-2013-2396055 C-2014-2400863

JOINT PETITION FOR SETTLEMENT **OF RATE INVESTIGATION**

The City of Bethlehem ("City"), the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement ("I&E"), the Office of Consumer Advocate ("OCA"), and the Office of Small Business Advocate ("OSBA"), collectively referred to as "Joint Petitioners" by their respective counsel, respectfully request: (a) that Administrative Law Judge Joel H. Cheskis recommend approval of this Joint Petition for Settlement ("Petition for Settlement") as set forth herein; (b) that the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("Commission") approve and adopt this Petition for Settlement as set forth herein; and (c) that the Commission permit the City to file tariff supplements attached hereto at Appendix A effective on one day's notice for service rendered on and after the entry date of the Commission's Order approving this Petition for Settlement. In support of this Joint Petition for Settlement, the Joint Petitioners set forth the following:

I. INTRODUCTION

1. On or about November 26, 2013, the City of Bethlehem filed with the Commission Supplement No. 11 to Tariff Water-Pa. P.U.C. No. 6 to become effective January 25, 2014. Supplement No. 11 contained proposed changes in the City of Bethlehem's rates,

rules, and regulations and set forth a request to adjust current water rates in order to produce \$1,119,726 in additional annual revenues, a revenue increase of approximately 15% for jurisdictional customers.

2. On December 2, 2013, Allison C. Kaster, Esquire filed a Notice of Appearance on behalf of I&E in this matter. On December 9, 2013, Christine Maloni Hoover, Esquire filed a Public Statement, a Notice of Appearance and a formal Complaint on behalf of the OCA in this matter. The Complaint was docketed at C-2013-236055. On January 7, 2014, Daniel Asmus, Esquire filed a Public Statement, a Notice of Appearance and a formal Complaint on behalf of the OCA in this matter. The Complaint statement, a Notice of Appearance and a formal Complaint on behalf of the OCA in this matter. The Complaint was docketed at C-2013-236055.

3. By Order issued on January 23, 2014, the Commission suspended the City's filing and instituted an investigation into the lawfulness, justness and reasonableness of the proposed rate increase. Pursuant to the Commission's Order, the new effective date for Supplement No. 11 to Tariff Water-Pa. P.U.C. No. 6 became August 25, 2014 unless permitted to become effective at an earlier date. By the same Order, the Commission assigned the case to the Office of Administrative Law Judge for the scheduling of hearings. On January 30, 2014 the Commission issued a notice to the parties of a Prehearing Conference scheduled for February 12, 2014. The City served its direct testimony with its filing on November 26, 2013, while the non-City parties served direct testimony on March 12, 2014. Rebuttal testimony was served on March 31 and surrebuttal testimony was served on April 14. On April 24, 2014, a hearing was held by ALJ Cheskis at which time the parties stipulated to the admission of written testimony and exhibits.

4. In accordance with the Commission's Rules and Regulations, 52 Pa. Code §
5.231, Joint Petitioners engaged in settlement negotiations resulting in this Petition for

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Settlement. Joint Petitioners have been able to agree to a proposed revenue increase and a rate design to recover the agreed-upon increase, thereby resolving all issues raised by the participants to this proceeding.

5. Although Joint Petitioners have not agreed upon specific adjustments reflective of their respective positions, they join in and request approval of this Petition for Settlement. Joint Petitioners are in full agreement that Commission approval of the Petition for Settlement would results in rates that are just and reasonable and would otherwise be in the public interest and in the best interests of the City's outside customers.

II. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

6. The City will be permitted to establish rates for outside customers, which will produce an overall increase in annual operating revenues of approximately \$350,000. These rates, as determined in accordance with the attached proof of revenues and tariff supplement, will be effective on one day's notice for service rendered on and after the date of the Commission's approval of this Petition for Settlement in its entirety. The Proof of Revenues attached hereto at Appendix B, reflects rates that are designed to recover approximately \$350,000 of additional revenues from outside customers. In sum, for outside customers, the increase in revenues by class from present rates as proposed in this Petition for Settlement are as follows:

CITY OF BETHLEHEM - OUTSIDE CUSTOMERS

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Customer <u>Class</u>	Present <u>Revenues</u>	Revenues per Settlement	Revenue Increase	Percent <u>Increase</u>
Residential	\$4,155,118	\$4,367,664	\$212,546	5.1
Commercial	958,645	997,500	38,855	4.1
Industrial	297,542	311,778	14,235	4.8
Public	459,350	480,728	21,378	4.7
Other Utilities	\$811,886	\$853,187	\$41,301	5.1
Private Fire	457,193	478,825	21,632	4.7
Public Fire	321,200	<u>321,200</u>		<u>0.0</u>
Total Sales	<u>\$7,460,935</u>	<u>\$7,810,882</u>	<u>\$349,947</u>	<u>4.7</u>

In addition to, and in consideration of, the agreed-upon overall increase in operating revenues for outside customers of approximately \$350,000, Joint Petitioners also agree to various terms and conditions set forth as follows:

7. The City of Bethlehem will stipulate that the following capital construction projects will be completed by the dates indicated:

a) 5th & William Street pump station replacement - \$400,000- completion in the first quarter of 2015

b) 5 MG SE storage tank modifications - \$90,000- completion in 2014

c) East Allen Twp Shady Lane improvements - \$300,000 - completion in 2014

d) Wild Creek Dam repairs - \$120,000- completion in 2014

e) Southside pump station replacement - \$420,000- completion in the first quarter of

2016

f) Fire pump station replacement - \$450,000- completion in first quarter of 2017

g) Salisbury Twp Weil Street pump station - \$110,000- completion in 2014

TOTAL

\$1,890,000

8. Stay *out* -- The City will agree to a stay out for filing of a base rate case until March 31, 2016. This stay out provision excludes the filing with the Commission by the City of a DSIC Petition and if approved, the inclusion of quarterly DSIC surcharges on customers' bills. If the City files a DSIC and it is approved, the first DSIC will be effective no earlier than April 1, 2015 based on DSIC-eligible expenditures during January and February 2015. In any event the City will not begin to impose a DSIC until the balances of DSIC-eligible accounts, net of plant funded with customer advances and customer contributions, exceed the December 31, 2014 levels of investment in plant additions projected by the City in this case. Nothing in this settlement agreement is intended to waive the right of the OCA, BI&E, or the OSBA to take any position in any future DSIC filing. In addition, the Parties agree that the City may file for a change in rates under Sections 1308(a) and (b) (governing general rate relief), or Section 1308(e) (governing extraordinary rate relief) of the Public Utility Code if a legislative body or administrative agency orders or enacts changes in policy, regulation or statutes which directly and substantially affect the City's rates.

9. The City also agrees to have the manufacturer inspect and verify the accuracy of the City's clearwell venturi meter located at its water filtration plant within 4 months of the Final Order in this proceeding. In the event that the venturi meter's accuracy falls outside a range of 2.5% +/-, the City will present a plan to install a new level venturi or employ some other engineering recommended means or method to accurately measure the outflow from the water filtration plant to the Commission, OCA, Bl&E and OSBA within 8 months of the Final Order. If it is determined that replacement of the venturi meter is necessary, the City will meet with the parties to discuss a reasonable implementation plan. If it is determined that the venturi meter's accuracy can be corrected by employing some other engineering recommended means or method, the City will correct the accuracy of the venturi meter no later than 4 months from the date it presents its plan.

10. If the City elects to use a fully projected future test year ("FPFTY") in its next base rate filing, the City agrees that its claimed FPFTY will be in compliance with Section 315(e) of

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the Public Utility Code. Nothing in the settlement is intended to require the City to use FPFTY in future base rate proceedings.

11. The City also agrees to begin evaluation and implementation of a project to install radio-frequency (RF) meter reading technology and replace all customer water meters starting with those exceeding 20 years in age. This will be a multi-year effort which will extend out past 2016. The City agrees that the evaluation will be completed no later than one (1) year from the Final Order in this proceeding. The City also agrees that it will provide the Commission, OCA, BI&E, and the OSBA with an implementation schedule.

12. In the City's next base rate proceeding, the City will prepare and submit a comparison of its actual expenses and rate base additions for the twelve months ended December 31, 2014 to its projections in this case. However, it is recognized by the Joint Petitioners that this is a black box settlement that is a compromise of the Joint Petitioners' positions on various issues.

13. Provided that the Lower Saucon Township Authority completes the installation of the meter pits as required by the Commission's Order at Docket No. R-00072492 et al, the City agrees to study the feasibility and costs of a demand study to be used in the next rate case, per the recommendation of OCA witness Scott Rubin in this case. Within ninety days after the aforementioned completion of the meter pits by the Lower Saucon Township Authority the City will meet with the other Joint Petitioners to discuss the specifics of its plan to perform the demand study and the estimated costs and to provide them an opportunity to offer comments on the plan. If the parties agree that it is reasonable and appropriate for such a study to be conducted, the City will conduct such study and will provide the available results of the study to the Joint Petitioners no less than 30 days before the filing of its first general base rate case after the completion of the study. The demand study shall be deemed completed only after at least one full year of data has been collected and analyzed. Additionally, the City will present the study as part of the supporting data filed with its general base rate case for water operations. After the completion of the study, data employed and the results of the study will be explained in the written direct testimony of the responsible City witness. All inputs, measurements, calculations, data sources and spreadsheets used in preparing the study will be included with the

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filing. Nothing in this Settlement will preclude any Joint Petitioner from (i) opposing the Company's use of the results of the demand study to allocate costs as part of the City's cost of service study in its next case or ii) opposing the amount and/or method of the City's recovery of the cost of the demand study.

14. The City agrees to evaluate the reasonableness, feasibility, and need for a separate rate schedule for Industrial customers, including whether City records accurately categorize non-residential customers by class.

15. Rate Structure/Rate Design -- Joint Petitioners agree to the distribution of revenue among customer classes in this Petition for Settlement as set forth in the attached Proof of Revenues at Appendix B. The design and structure of rates for outside customers of the City under this Petition for Settlement are developed based upon the customer and volumetric charges contained within the Rate Schedules set forth in Appendix B. Joint Petitioners agree that rates and charges set forth in Appendix B are just and reasonable and are in the public interest.

16. The Joint Petitioners agree that the City's original filing, including all exhibits and supporting data, shall be admitted into the record as originally filed with the Secretary of the Commission. 52 Pa.Code §§ 53.52, 53.53.

17. Joint Petitioners agree that adoption and approval of this Petition for Settlement by the ALJ and the Commission is in the public interest. Under this Petition for Settlement, the quarterly bill of a typical 5/8" metered residential customer residing outside the City who utilizes 14,000 gallons of water per quarter will increase from \$80.27 to \$84.47 or by approximately 5.2%, rather than from \$80.27 to \$95.04 (18.4%) as originally requested.

18. The Petition for Settlement provides for a sound and reasonable revenue requirement and appropriately balances the interests and concerns of the City, I&E, OCA and OSBA. In

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addition, adoption and approval of the Petition for Settlement will avoid the need for briefing, and for continued litigation of this proceeding.

19. This Petition for Settlement arises from extensive discovery and discussions, and reflects compromises by all sides. Accordingly, this Petition for Settlement is made without any admission against, or prejudice to, any positions which any Joint Petitioner might adopt during any subsequent litigation of this proceeding (should this Petition for Settlement be rejected or modified), or in any other proceeding. If the Commission withholds such approval as to any of the terms and conditions, or alters any of the terms and conditions, any Joint Petitioner may withdraw from this settlement upon written notice of its intent to the Commission and the remaining parties within three (3) business days of the date of the Commission's Order and may resume with the litigation of this proceeding within (10) days of the entry of the Order making any such modifications.

20. Joint Petitioners agree that the Petition for Settlement shall be considered to have the same effect as full litigation of the instant proceeding resulting in the establishment of rates that are Commission-made rates.

21. In the event that the Commission does not approve this Petition for Settlement, the signatory parties reserve their respective rights to resume litigation. If the ALJ, in his Recommended Decision, recommends that the Commission adopt this Petition for Settlement as herein proposed, Joint Petitioners agree to waive the filing of Exceptions. However, Joint Petitioners do not waive their rights to file Exceptions with respect to any additional matters dealt with, or any modifications to the terms and conditions of this Petition for Settlement recommended by the ALJ in his Recommended Decision.

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22. Each Joint Petitioner's individual reason for supporting the Petition for Settlement is set forth at Appendix C. More specifically, Statements in Support have been submitted by the City (Statement 1), the BI&E (Statement 2), the OCA (Statement 3) and the OSBA (Statement 4).

WHEREFORE, Joint Petitioners, by their respective counsel, respectfully request as follows:

1. That Administrative Law Judge Joel P. Cheskis and the Commission approve this Petition for Settlement inclusive of its terms and conditions without modification.

2. That the Commission permit the City of Bethlehem -- Bureau of Water to file a tariff supplement on one day's notice for service rendered on and after the entry date of the Commission's Order approving of this Petition for Settlement so as to increase total revenues outside the City by \$349,947, to a level of \$7,810,882, or by 4.7%; and,

3. That the Commission terminates and mark closed its inquiry and investigation at Docket No. R-2013-2390244, including all complaint dockets associated therewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX

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APPENDIX A

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SUPPLEMENT NO. 13 TO TARIFF WATER – PA P.U.C. NO. 6

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Supplement No. 13 to Tariff Water-PA P.U.C. No. 6

CITY OF BETHLEHEM

Rates, Rules and Regulations Governing the Furnishing of Water Directly to Customers

in

the following Townships and Boroughs located within Lehigh and Northampton Counties, Pennsylvania

Salisbury Township (Portions of)
Upper Saucon Township (Portions of)
Lower Saucon Township (Portions of)
Bethlehem Township (Portions of)
Hanover Township (Portions of)
Hanover Township (Portions of)
East Allen Township
Allen Township (Portions of)
Borough of Fountain Hill
Borough of Freemansburg

Lehigh County Lehigh County Northampton County Northampton County Lehigh County Northampton County Northampton County Lehigh County Lehigh County Northampton County

-and to-

The Authorities of the Township

of Lower Saucon and to

The Township of Upper Saucon, in the

Counties of Lehigh and Northampton for resale

ISSUED: _____, 2014

EFFECTIVE: , 2014

BY:

Robert J. Donchez, Mayor City of Bethlehem

NOTICE

THIS TARIFF MAKES INCREASES AND CHANGES IN EXISTING CHARGES

LIST OF CHANGES MADE BY THIS TARIFF

INCREASES

This tariff makes increases to existing rates, except for Public Fire Protection, resulting in an increase in revenue of \$349,947 for outside city customers or by 4.7%.

CHANGES

Eliminates the additional loan amortization charges for Country Squire Estates, Wil-Mar Manor and Airport Road customers.

City of Bethlehem

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PART I. SCHEDULE OF RATES

SECTIONS A AND B. RATES FOR METERED SERVICE AND FIRE PROTECTION.

Schedule A

Mcter Rates - General Residential Customer Service

APPLICATION

This schedule applies to all residential customer service.

CUSTOMER CHARGES

All metered residential customers shall pay the following customer charge based on the required size of meter to render adequate service.

Size of	Cust	tomer Charge	Size of	<u>Custom</u>	er Charge
<u>Meter</u>	Per Month	Per Quarter	Meter	Per Month	Per Quarter
5/8" \$	8.25	\$24.75 (I)	3"	\$ 174.80	\$524.40
3/4"	13,98	41.94	4"	273.56	820.68
1"	27.14	81.42	6"	547.11	1,641.33
1-1/2"	53.04	159.12	8" or Larger	1,098.37	3,295.11
2"	85.28	255.84	-		

CONSUMPTION CHARGES

In addition to the customer charge all water consumption will be billed at the following rates:

	Rate Per	
	1,000 Gallons	
For all usage monthly or quarterly	\$ 4.266	(1)

Customer water meter bills will be subject to a penalty of one and one-half percent (1.5%) interest per month on the full unpaid and overdue balance of the bill if not paid within twenty calendar days from the date the bill is mailed. All customers will be given the option of being billed monthly.

(I) Indicates Increase

Schedule B

Mcter Rates - General Commercial Customer Service

APPLICATION

This schedule applies to all commercial customer service.

CUSTOMER CHARGES

All metered Commercial customers shall pay the following customer charge based on the required size of meter to render adequate service.

Size of	Custome	r Charge	Size of	Custome	er Charge
<u>Meter</u>	Per Month	Per Quarter	Meter	Per Month	Per Quarter
5/8"	\$ 8.25	\$24.75 (I)	3"	\$ 174.80	\$524.40
3/4"	13.98	41.94	4"	273.56	820.68
]"	27.14	81.42	6"	547.11	1,641.33
1-1/2"	53.04	159.12	8" or Larger	1,098.37	3,295.11
2"	85.28	255.84			

CONSUMPTION CHARGES

In addition to the customer charge all water consumption will be billed at the following rates:

	Rate Per 1,000 Gallons		
For all usage monthly or quarterly	\$ 3.333	(1)	

Customer water meter bills will be subject to a penalty of one and one-half percent (1.5%) interest per month on the full unpaid and overdue balance of the bill if not paid within twenty calendar days from the date the bill is mailed. All customers will be given the option of being billed monthly.

(I) Indicates Increase

ISSUED: _____

Schedule C

Meter Rates - General Industrial Customer Service

APPLICATION

This schedule applies to all Industrial customer service.

CUSTOMER CHARGES

All metered Industrial customers shall pay the following customer charge based on the required size of meter to render adequate service.

Size	of <u>Cus</u>	tomer Charge	Size of	Custome	er Charge
<u>Meter</u>	Per Month	Per Quarter	Mcter	Per Month	Per Quarter
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5/8"	\$ 8.25	\$24.75 (I)	3"	\$ 174.80	\$524.40
3/4"	13.98	41.94	4"	273.56	820.68
1"	27.14	81.42	6"	547.11	1,641.33
1-1/2"	53.04	159.12	8" or Larger	1,098.37	3,295.11
2"	85.28	255.84	_		

CONSUMPTION CHARGES

In addition to the customer charge all water consumption will be billed at the following rates:

	Rate Per <u>1,000 Gallons</u>	
For all usage monthly or quarterly	\$ 3.333	(1)

Customer water meter bills will be subject to a penalty of one and one-half percent (1.5%) interest per month on the full unpaid and overdue balance of the bill if not paid within twenty calendar days from the date the bill is mailed. All customers will be given the option of being billed monthly.

(I) Indicates Increase

Schedule D

Meter Rates - General Public Customer Service

APPLICATION

This schedule applies to all Public customer service.

CUSTOMER CHARGES

All metered Public customers shall pay the following customer charge based on the required size of meter to render adequate service.

Size of	Custome	r Charge	Size of	Custome	er Charge
<u>Meter</u>	Per Month	Per Quarter	Meter	Per Month	Per Quarter
5/8"	\$ 8.25	\$24.75 (I)	3"	\$ 174.80	\$524.40
3/4"	13.98	41.94	4"	273.56	820.68
]"	27.14	81.42	6"	547.11	1,641.33
1-1/2"	53.04	159.12	8" or Larger	1,098.37	3,295.11
2"	85.28	255.84			

CONSUMPTION CHARGES

In addition to the customer charge all water consumption will be billed at the following rates:

	Rate Per <u>1,000 Gallons</u>		
For all usage monthly or quarterly	\$ 3.333	(I)	

Customer water meter bills will be subject to a penalty of one and one-half percent (1.5%) interest per month on the full unpaid and overdue balance of the bill if not paid within twenty calendar days from the date the bill is mailed. All customers will be given the option of being billed monthly.

(I) Indicates Increase

Schedule G

Meter Rates - Sales for Resale

APPLICATION

This schedule applies to all sale of water to other water utilities or public authorities for resale.

CUSTOMER CHARGES

All metered sales for resale customers shall pay the following customer charge based on the required size of meter to render adequate service. Also applicable for unmetered sales in honor system areas until such time that meters are installed.

Size of	Customer Charge		Size of	Custom	Customer Charge		
<u>Meter</u>	Per Month	Per Quarter	Meter	Per Month	Per Quarter		
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1-1/2"	53.04	159.12	8" or Larger	1,098.37	3,295.11		
2"	85.28	255.84	Lower Saucon Honor Sy	s. 1,098.37	3,295.11		

CONSUMPTION CHARGES

In addition to the customer charge all water consumption will be billed at the following rates:

	Rate Per	
	1,000 Gallons	
For all usage monthly or quarterly	\$ 3.969	(1)

Customer water meter bills will be subject to a penalty of one and one-half percent (1.5%) interest per month on the full unpaid and overdue balance of the bill if not paid within twenty calendar days from the date the bill is mailed. All customers will be given the option of being billed monthly.

(I) Indicates Increase

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Schedule H

Meter Rates - Untreated Water Service

APPLICATION

This schedule applies to all sale of untreated water for non-potable use only.

CUSTOMER CHARGE

Size of	Custome	r Charge	Size of	Customer Charge				
<u>Meter</u>	Per Month	Per Quarter	<u>Meter</u>	Per Month	Per Quarter			
5/8"	\$ 8.25	\$ 24.75 (I)) 3"	\$ 174.80	\$524.40			
3/4"	13.98	41.94	, 5 4"	273.56	820.68			
1"	27.14	81.42	6"	547.11	1,641.33			
1-1/2"	53.04	159.12	8" or Larger	1,098.37	3,295.11			
2"	85.28	255.84						

CONSUMPTION CHARGES

In addition to the customer charge all use of untreated water will be billed at the following rates:

	Rate Per <u>1,000 Gallons</u>	
For all usage monthly or quarterly	\$ 2.035	(1)

Customer water meter bills will be subject to a penalty of one and one-half percent (1. 5%) interest per month on the full unpaid and overdue balance of the bill if not paid within twenty calendar days from the date the bill is mailed. All customers will be given the option of being billed monthly.

(I) Indicates Increase

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PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SECRETARY'S BUREAU

COMPARISON OF PRESENT AND SETTLEMENT RATES

CUSTOMER CHARGES:

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	Present Custo	mer Charges	Settlement Cus	Customer Charges		
Meter Size	Per Month	Per Quarter	Per Quarter			
5/8	\$ 8.00	\$ 24.00	\$ 8.25	\$ 24.75		
3/4	13.98	41.94	13.98	41.94		
1	27.14	81.42	27.14	81.42		
1-1/2	53.04	159.12	53.04	159.12		
2	85.28	255.84	85.28	255.84		
3	174.80	524.40	174.80	524.40		
4	273.56	820.68	273.56	820.68		
6	547.11	1,641.33	547.11	1,641.33		
8	1,098.37	3,295.11	1,098.37	3,295.11		
10	1,098.37	3,295.11	1,098.37	3,295.11		
12	1,098.37	3,295.11	1,098.37	3,295.11		

CONSUMPTION CHARGES:

Customer Classification	Th F	ate Per ousand For All Jsage	Ra Th F	Settlement Rate Per Thousand For All Usage		
Residential	\$	4.019	\$	4.266		
Commercial, Industrial, Public		3.140		3.333		
Sales for Resale		3.738		3.969		

PRIVATE FIRE LINES:		Present Juarterly		Settlement Rates						
Size		Rate	N	Ionthly		Quarterly				
Less Than 6-inch	\$	107.25	\$	37.50	\$	112.50				
6-inch		133.98	\$	46.85		140.55				
8-inch	•	160.41	\$	56.09		168.27				
10-inch		186.84	\$	65.33		195.99				
12-inch		240.30	\$	84.02		252.06				
Per Thousand Sq. Ft. of Protected Area		2.67	\$	0.93		2.79				
Per Private Fire Hydrant		74.61	\$	26.09		78.27				
PUBLIC FIRE HYDRANTS:										
Per Public Fire Hydrant	\$	66.00	\$	22.00	\$	66.00				

CITY OF BETHLEHEM - BUREAU OF WATER

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STATEMENT OF OPERATING REVENUES FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND THE CALCULATION OF THE SETTLEMENT REVENUE INCREASE FROM INSIDE-CITY AND OUTSIDE-CITY CUSTOMERS BY CUSTOMER CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant To Subsection 53:53 D II(2) of Tariff Regulations

			Adjustment	Pro Forma	Histori	c Test Year				ear & Fully ure Test Year			Inder Settlement F No.13 to Tariff Wa	•
			R	Revenues		o Forma			Pro Fo		B . F			Pro Forma,
Line	Customer	Per Books Revenue	From Per Books Revenue to	12 Months Ended	•	nents Under	Pro Forma, Present Rates,			ts Under	Pro Forma, Present Rates		crease	Settlement Rates
No.	Classification	31-Dec-12	Pro Forma Rev.*	31-Dec-12	Ref.	Amount	31-Dec-12	Ref.		Rates**	31-Dec-14	Percent	Amount	12/31/2014***
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)		(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)
1.	INSIDE-CITY													
2.	Sales of Water													
3.	Residential	\$ 7,857,952 ·	\$ 517,542	\$ 8,375,494	R1	\$ (2,503)	\$ 8,372,991	R5	\$	(9,127)	\$ 8,363,864	5.0%	\$ 421,768	\$ 8,785,632
4.	Commercial	1,463,989	96,422	1,560,411	R1	5,442	1,565,853	R5	S	(2,830)	1,563,023	4.9%	76,405	1,639,428
5.	Industrial	812,854	53,536	866,390		6,316	872,706	R5	\$	(25,265)	847,441	5.1%	43,343	890,784
6.	Public	657,882	43,330	701,212	R1,R3	339,555	1,040,767	R5	S	(15,705)	1,025,062	4.5%	45,906	1,070,969
8.	Private Fire Protection	450,333	38,108	488,441			488,441	R7		17,914	506,355	4.7%	24,002	530,357
9.	Public Fire Protection			<u> </u>	R3	376,200	376,200	R7		528	376,728	0.0%	<u> </u>	376,728
10,	Total Sales of Water	11,243,010	748,938	11,991,948		725,010	12,716,958			(34,485)	12,682,473	4.8%	611,424	13,293,898
11.	Other Operating Revenue	s												
12.	Penalties	45,838		45,838			45,838				45,838			45,838
13.	Construction Water	10,461		10,461			10,461				10,461			10,461
14.	Miscellaneous	44,293		44,293			44,293				44,293			44,293
15.	Total Other Revenues	100,592	<u> </u>	100,592		<u> </u>	100,592			<u> </u>	100,592			100,592
16.	Total Inside City	5 11,343,603	<u>\$ 748,938</u>	\$ 12,092,540		\$ 725,010	\$ 12,817,551		\$	(34,485)	5 12,783,066	4.8%	<u>\$ 611,424</u>	\$ 13,394,490

*Adjusts Per Book revenue for revenue billed in 2012 and recorded in 2011 and for the change in water rates as of 12/16/2011.

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**See Schedule 5.

*** See Schedule 7.

CITY OF BETHLEHEM - BUREAU OF WATER

STATEMENT OF OPERATING REVENUES FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND THE CALCULATION OF THE SETTLEMENT REVENUE INCREASE FROM INSIDE-CITY AND OUTSIDE-CITY CUSTOMERS BY CUSTOMER CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant To Subsection 53.53 D II(2) of Tariff Regulations

			Adjustment	Pro Forma		ic Test Year			Test Year & Fully			Under Settlement F No.13 to Tariff Wa	ter Pa-PUC No. 6
Line	Customer	Per Books Revenue	R From Per Books Revenue to	Revenues 12 Months Ended	Adjusti	o Forma ments Under ent Rates*	Pro Forma, Present Rates,	Adju	ed Future Test Year istments Under esent Rates**	Pro Forma,	In	crease	Pro Forma, Settlement
No.	Classification	31-Dec-12	Pro Forma Rev."	31-Dec-12	Ref.	Amount	31-Dec-12	Ref.	Amount	Present Rates 31-Dec-14	Percent	Amount	Rates 12/31/2014***
- 110.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)
	()	(2)	(0)	(-)	(5)	(0)	(7)	(0)	(5)	(10)	(,	(12)	(15)
1.	OUTSIDE-CITY												
2.	Sales of Water												
3,	Residential	\$ 3,846,401	S 126,583	\$ 3,972,984	R2,R4	\$ 160,567	S 4,133,551	R6	\$ 21,567	\$ 4,155,118	5.1%	\$ 212,546	\$ 4,367,664
4.	Commercial	851,164	28,011	879,175	R2,R4	82,017	961,192	R6	(2,547)	958,645	4,1%	38,855	997,500
5.	Industrial	279,882	9,211	289,093	R2	3,621	292,714	R6	4,828	297,542	4.8%	14,235	311,778
6,	Public	422,141	13,892	436,033	R2	13,990	450,023	R6	9,327	459,350	4.7%	21,378	480,728
7.	Other Water Utilities	904,664	23,600	928,264	R4	(116,378)	811,886			811,886	5,1%	41,301	853,187
8.	Private Fire Protection	423,793	35,862	459,655	R4	2,252	461,907	R8	(4,714)	457,193	4.7%	21,632	478,825
9.	Public Fire Protection	280,644	23,748	304,392	R4	17,160	321,552	R8	(352)	321,200	0.0%	-	321,200
10.	Total Sales of Water	7,008,688	260,908	7,269,596		163,230	7,432,826		28,109	7,460,935	4.7%	349,947	7,810,882
11.	Other Operating Revenues	s											
12.	Penalties	27,788		27,788			27,788			27,788			27,788
13.	Construction Water	6,342		6,342			6.342			6,342			6,342
14.	Miscellaneous	26,851		26,851			26,851			26,851			26,851
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15.	Total Other Revenues	60,980	<u> </u>	60,980			60,980		<u> </u>	60,980			60,980
16.	Total Outside City	7,069,668	260,908	7,330,576		163,230	7,493,805		28,109	7,521,914	4.7%	349,947	7,871,862
17.	Total Inside & Outside City	\$ 18,413,271	\$ 1,009,845	\$ 19,423,116		<u>\$ 888,240</u>	S 20,311,356		\$ (6,376)	\$ 20,304,980	4.7%	\$ 961,372	<u>\$ 21,266,352</u>

*Adjusts Per Book revenue for revenue billed in 2012 and recorded in 2011 and for the change in water rates as of 12/16/2011.

**See Schedule 5.

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CITY OF BETHLEHEM - BUREAU OF WATER

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SUMMARY OF APPLICATION OF PRESENT AND PROPOSED RATES TO CONSUMPTION ANALYSIS AS OF 12/31/2012 AND PRO FORMA REVENUES UNDER SETTLEMENT RATES AS OF 12/31/2014

Customer Classification (1)	Schedule 8, Application of Present Rates to Bill Analysis (2)	Schedule 8, Application of Settlement Rates to Bill Analysis (3)	Pro Forma Historic and Future Test Yr. Adjustments, Settlement Rates (4)	Sch. 7 <u>Ref.</u> (5)	Pro Forma Revenues Under Settlement Rates (3)+(4)=(6)
INSIDE-CITY					
Residential	\$ 8,375,494	\$ 8,797,850	\$ (12,218)	R9,R13	\$ 8,785,632
Commercial	1,560,411	1,636,688	2,740	R9,R13	1,639,428
Industrial	866,390	910,702	(19,919)	R9,R13	890,784
Public	701,212	731,040	339,929	R9,R11,R13	1,070,969
Private Fire	488,441	511,631	18,726	R15	530,357
Public Fire	<u> </u>	-	376,728	R11,R15	376,728
Total Inside	11,991,948	12,587,911	705,987		13,293,898
OUTSIDE-CITY					
Residential	\$ 3,972,984	\$ 4,175,978	\$ 191,686	R10,R12,R14	\$ 4,367,664
Commercial	879,175	913,899	83,601	R10,R12,R14	997,500
Industrial	289,093	302,924	8,853	R10,R14	311,778
Public	436,033	456,326	24,402	R10,R14	480,728
Other Water Utilities	928,264	975,945	(122,758)	R12	853,187
Private Fire	459,655	481,443	(2,618)	R12,R16	478,825
Public Fire	304,392	304,392	16,808	R12,R16	321,200
Total Outside	7,269,596	7,610,907	199,975		7,810,882
Total	\$ 19,261,544	S 20,198,818	<u>\$ 905,962</u>		\$ 21,104,780

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PRO FORMA OPERATING REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS UNDER PRESENT RATES

Adj. Ref.		Explanation			1	ljustment ncrease Jecrease)
R	To adjust Test Year Per Books Revenue to include a to annualized revenues for the rate increase effective		at was booked in 2011	I, and		
		Per Books Revenue 31-Dec-12	Test Year Revenue per Bill Analysis At Present Rates 31-Dec-12	Adjustment		
	INSIDE-CITY					
	Sales of Water Residential Commercial Industrial Public Private Fire Protection Public Fire Protection	\$ 7,857,952 1,463,989 812,854 657,882 450,333	\$ 8,375,494 1,560,411 866,390 701,212 488,441	\$517,542 96,422 53,536 43,330 38,108 -	\$	517,542 96,422 53,536 43,330 38,108 -
	Total Sales of Water - Inside	\$ 11,243,010	\$ 11,991,948	\$ 748,938		
	OUTSIDE-CITY Sales of Water					
	Residential Commercial Industrial Public Other Water Utilities Private Fire Protection Public Fire Protection	\$ 3,846,401 851,164 279,882 422,141 901,964 423,793 280,644	\$ 3,972,984 879,175 289,093 436,033 928,264 459,655 304,392	\$ 126,583 28,011 9,211 13,892 26,300 35,862 23,748	\$	126,583 28,011 9,211 13,892 26,300 35,862 23,748
	Total Sales of Water - Outside	\$ 7,005,988	\$ 7,269,596	\$ 263,608		
	Total Adjustment	\$ 18,248,999	\$ 19,261,544	\$ 1,012,545		

R1 To annualize Inside-City Operating Revenues for the net gain or loss in the number of customers during the twelve months ended 12/31/2012

Customer	Number of (Customers		Customer	Average Annual Bill, Present	Annualized Revenue Adjustment	
Classification	31-Dec-11	31-Dec-12	31-Dec-13	Gain/(Loss)	Rates	(Half Year)	
(1)	(2)	(3)		(4)	(5)	(6)	
Residential	21,651	21,638	21,621	(13)	385.13	(2,503)	\$ (2,503)
Commercial	701	706	704	5	2,176.81	5,442	5,442
Industrial	71	72	71	1	12,632.66	6,316	6,316
Public	275	278	278	3	3,140.93	4,711	4,711
Total	22,698	22,694	22,674	(4)		13,966	

PRO FORMA OPERATING REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS UNDER PRESENT RATES

Adj. Ref.				Explanation						lr	justment icrease ecrease)
R2	To annualize Outside-O number of customers				the						
	Customer	Number of (Customers		Customer	Ar	Average nnual Bill, Present	R	inualized levenue ljustment		
	Classification	31-Dec-11	31-Dec-12	31-Dec-13	Gain/(Loss)		Rates		alf Year)		
	(1)	(2)	(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)		
	Residential Commercial	12,097 485	12,173 479	12,195 483	76 (6)	\$	330.11 1,910.21	\$	12,544 (5,731)	\$	12,544 (5,731)
	Industrial	40	41	41	1		7 242.41		3.621		3,621
	Public			87	5		5,596.15		13,990		13,990
	Total	12,704	12,780		76				24,425		

R3 To impute Inside-City operating revenues for City-owned properties and 1,425 City fire hydrants not billed by the Bureau of Water.

Number of Bills	Usage, 1,000 Gals.		Present Rates	F	Revenue		
48		\$		\$			
8							
19							
36							
24			13.98		336		
25			27.14		679		
60			53.04		3,182		
110			85.28		9,381		
36			273.56		9,848		
24			547.11		13,131		
24			1,098.37		26,361		
	85,542	\$	3.14	_	268,603		
414	85,542			\$	334,844	\$	334,844
1 425		\$	66.00	5	376 200	\$	376,200
	of Bills 48 8 19 36 24 25 60 110 36 24 24 24	of Bills 1,000 Gals. 48 8 19 36 24 25 60 110 36 24 25 60 110 36 24 24 24 85,542 414 85,542	of Bills 1,000 Gals. 48 \$ 8 19 36 24 25 60 110 36 24 25 60 110 36 24 24 24 24 24 414 85,542	of Bills 1,000 Gals. Rates 48 \$ 24.00 8 41.94 19 81.42 36 8.00 24 13.98 25 27.14 60 53.04 110 85.28 36 273.56 24 547.11 24 1,098.37	of Bills 1,000 Gals. Rates F 48 \$ 24.00 \$ 8 41.94 19 81.42 36 8.00 24 13.98 25 27.14 60 53.04 110 85.28 36 273.56 24 547.11 24 1,098.37	of Bills $1,000$ Gals.RatesRevenue48\$ 24.00\$ 1,152841.943361981.421,547368.002882413.983362527.146796053.043,18211085.289,38136273.569,84824547.1113,13124547.1113,13124\$ 3.14268,60341485,542\$ 334,844	of Bills 1,000 Gals. Rates Revenue 48 \$ 24.00 \$ 1,152 8 41.94 336 19 81.42 1,547 36 8.00 288 24 13.98 336 25 27.14 679 60 53.04 3,182 110 85.28 9,381 36 273.56 9,848 24 547.11 13,131 24 547.11 13,131 24 547.2 \$ 334,844 414 85,542 \$ 334,844 \$

PRO FORMA OPERATING REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS UNDER PRESENT RATES

to add retail revenues related to E		es related to East Allen T Route 512 area acquired				
Customer Classification	Number of Bills	Usage, 1,000 Gals,	Present Rates	Revenue		
Eliminate Other Water Utilities (Bul	k) sales revenue related to	East Allen Township:				
Outside-CITY Other Water Utilities						
6" Monthly	(24)		547.11	\$ (13,131)		
Consumption		(27,621)	3.738	(103,247)		
Total Other Water Utilities Adjustr	hent			(116,378)	\$	(116
Add Retail Sales Revenue for East	Allen Township and Rout	<u>e 512 Area:</u>				
Outside-CITY - Residential						
5/8" Quarterly	1,776	00.005	\$ 24.00	42,624		
Consumption Total Residential Adjustment		26,225	\$ 4.019	105,398	\$	148
Outside-CITY Commercial						
1 1/2" Monthly	228		53.04	12,093		
2" Monthly	12		85.28	1,023		
3" Monthly	12		174.80	2,098		
Consumption		23,100	3.140	72,534		
Total Commercial Adjustment					\$	87
Outside-CITY Private Fire	- •		407.05			
1 1/2" Quarterly	16		107.25 133.98	1,716 536		
6" Quarterly Total Driveto Eiro Adjustment	4		133.90	200	\$	~
Total Private Fire Adjustment					Þ	2
Outside-CITY Public Fire						
Hydrants - Quarterly	260		66.00	17,160		
Total Public Fire Adjustment					•	
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CITY OF BETHLEHEM - BUREAU OF WATER FUTURE TEST YEAR AND FULLY FORECASTED FUTURE TEST YEAR

PRO FORMA OPERATING REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS UNDER PRESENT RATES

Adj. Ref.	Explanation	2013 and 2014 Adjustment Increase (Decrease)
R5	To adjust Inside-City Operating Revenues for the projected gain in the number of customers during the twelve months ended 12/31/2013 and 12/31/2014	

Customer	Gair Number of (12 Month	Customers,	Average Gain/Loss in	Average Annual Bill, Present		nnualized Revenue	
Classification	31-Dec-11	31-Dec-12	Customers	Rates	A	djustment	
Residential			(23.7)	\$385.13	\$	(9,127)	\$ (9,127)
Commercial			(1.3)	2,176.81		(2,830)	\$ (2,830)
Industrial			(2.0)	12,632.66		(25,265)	\$ (25,265)
Public			(5.0)	3,140.93		(15,705)	\$ (15,705)
Total	-	-	(32.0)			(52,927)	

R6 To adjust Outside-City Operating Revenues for the projected gain in the number of customers during the twelve months ended 12/31/2013 and 12/31/2014

Customer	Number of	in in Customers, hs Ended	Average Gain/Loss in	Average Annual Bill, Present		nnualized Revenue	
Classification	31-Dec-11	31-Dec-12	Customers	Rates	A	djustment	
Residential			65.3	\$330.11	\$	21,567	\$ 21,567
Commercial			(1.3)	1,910.21		(2,547)	\$ (2,547)
Industrial			0.7	7,242.41		4,828	\$ 4,828
Public		<u> </u>	1.7	5,596.15		9,327	\$ 9,327
Total	-	-	66.3			33,175	

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CITY OF BETHLEHEM - BUREAU OF WATER FUTURE TEST YEAR AND FULLY FORECASTED FUTURE TEST YEAR

PRO FORMA OPERATING REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS UNDER PRESENT RATES

	2013 and 2014 Adjustment
	Increase
Explanation	(Decrease)

R7 To adjust Inside-City Operating Revenues for projected gain in the number of private fire lines, private fire hydrants, thousand square feet of protected area and the number of public fire hydrants for the future test year and fully forecasted future test year, based on average gain in units over the last three years.

INSIDE-CITY - Private Fire Protection:

Adj. Ref.

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			Average Annual				
	Number	of Units,	Gain in	Present			
Size	31-Dec-10	31-Dec-13	Units	Rates	Re	evenue	
Less than 6"	125	125	-	107.25	\$		
6-Inch	160	169	3.0	133.98		1,608	
8-Inch	57	58	0.3	160.41		214	
10-Inch	2	2	•	186.84		-	
12-Inch	6	8	0.7	240.30		641	
Sq. Ft. of Area	15,054	17,325	757.1	2.67		8,086	
Hydrants	394	378	(5.3)	74.61		(1,592)	
Total						8,957	\$ 17,914
INSIDE-CITY - I	Public Fire Prote	ction:					
	31-Dec-10	31-Dec-13					
Hydrants	1,422	1,425	1.0	66.00		264	528

To adjust Outside-City Operating Revenues for projected gain in the number of private fire lines, private fire hydrants, thousand square feet of protected area and the number of public fire hydrants for the future test year and fully forecasted future test year, based on average gain in units over the last three years.

OUTSIDE-CITY - Private Fire Protection:

			Average Annual				
	Number	of Units,	Gain in	Present			
Size	31-Dec-10	31-Dec-13	Units	Rates	R	evenue	
Less than 6"	44	44	-	107.25	\$	-	
6-Inch	113	80	(11.0)	133.98		(5,895)	
8-Inch	103	110	2.3	160.41		1,497	
10-Inch	7	7	-	186.84		-	
12-Inch	9	9	-	240.30		-	
Sq. Ft. of Area	15,893	17,137	414.7	2.67		4,429	
Hydrants	461	437	(8.0)	74.61		(2,388)	
Total						(2,357)	\$ (4,714)
OUTSIDE-CITY	- Public Fire Pro	otection					
	31-Dec-10	31-Dec-13					
Hydrants	1,155	1,153	(0.7)	66.00		(176)	 (352)

Total Future Test Year, Pro Forma Operating Revenue Adjustments Under Present Rates

\$ (6,376)

PRO FORMA OPERATING REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS UNDER SETTLEMENT RATES

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19	To annualize Inside-Cit number of customers		•					
	Customer	Number of Co	uslomers	Cuslomer	Average Annual Bill, Settlement	Annualized Revenue Adjustment		
	Classification	31-Dec-11	31-Dec-12	Gain/(Loss)	Rates	(Half Year)		
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)		
	Residential	21,651	21,638	(13)	404.55	(2,630)	\$	(2,630
	Commercial	701	706	5	2,283.22	5,708		5,708
	Industrial	71	72	1	13,278.77	6,639		6,639
	Public	275	278	3	3,274.53	4,912		4,912
	Total	22,698	22,694	(4)		14,630		

R10 To annualize Outside-City Operating Revenues for the net gain or loss in the number of customers during the twelve months ended 12/31/2012

Customer	Number of C	ustomers	Cuslomer	Average Annual Bill, Settlement	F	nnualized Revenue Ijustment	
Classification	31-Dec-11	31-Dec-12	Gain/(Loss)	Rates	(H	lalf Year)	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)		(6)	
Residential	12,097	12,173	76	\$ 346.98	\$	13,185	\$ 13,185
Commercial	485	479	(6)	1,985.66		(5,957)	(5,957)
Industrial	40	41	1	7,588.91		3,794	3,794
Public	82	87	5	5,856.59		14,641	14,641
Total	12,704	12,780	76			25,664	

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PRO FORMA OPERATING REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS UNDER SETTLEMENT RATES

	Explanatio	n					1	djustment ncrease)ecrease)
To impute Inside-City operating revent City fire hydrants not billed by the Bu		erties and 1,425						
Customer Classification	Number of Bills	Usage, 1,000 Gals.		illement Rates	F	Revenue		
INSIDE-CITY - Public								
5/8" Quarterly	48		\$	24.75	\$	1,188		
3/4" Quarterly	8			41.94		336		
1" Quarterly	19			81.42		1,547		
5/8" Monthly	36			8.00		288		
3/4" Monthly	24			13.98		336		
1" Monthly	25			27.14		679		
1-1/2" Monthly	60			53.04		3,182		
2" Monthly	110			85.28		9,381		
4" Monthly	36			273.56		9,848		
6" Monthly	24			547.11		13,131		
8" Monthly	24		1	,098.37		26,361		
Consumption		85,542	\$	3.33		285,113		
Total	414	85,542			\$	351,390	\$	351,39
INSIDE-CITY -								
Public Fire Protection								
Number of Hydrants	1,425		\$	66.00	\$	376,200	\$	376,20

PRO FORMA OPERATING REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS UNDER SETTLEMENT RATES

Explanation						Adjustme Increase (Decrease	
To adjust revenues to remove Other Water L to add retail revenues related to East Aller	• •			,			
Customer Classification	Number of Bills	Usage, 1,000 Gals.	Settlement Rates	Revenue			
Eliminate Other Water Utilties (Bulk) sales	revenue related	to East Allen Tov	wnship:				
Outside-CITY Other Water Utilities							
6" Monthly	(24)		547.11	\$ (13,131)			
Consumption		(27,621)	3.969	(109,628)			
Total Other Water Utilities Adjustment				\$ (122,758)	\$	(122,	
Add Retail Sales Revenue for East Allen T <u>Outside-CITY - Residential</u> 5/8" Quarterly Consumption	1,776	26,225	\$ 24.75 \$ 4.266	43,956			
Total Residential Adjustment					\$	155,	
Outside-CITY Commercial							
1 1/2" Monthly	228		53.04	12,093			
2" Monthly	12		85.28	1,023			
3" Monthly	12		174.80	2,098			
Consumption		23,100	3.333	76,992			
Total Commercial Adjustment					\$	92,	
Outside-CITY Private Fire							
1 1/2" Quarterly	16		112.50	1,800			
6" Quarterly	4		140.55	562			
Total Private Fire Adjustment					\$	2,	
Outside-CITY Public Fire							
Hydrants - Quarterly	260		66.00	17,160			
Total Public Fire Adjustment					\$	17,	
Total Additional Retail Revenues for East Alle	n Township and F	Route 512 Area:		\$ 267,560	<u> </u>		
Total Historia Tast Vaca Dra Forma Operation							
Total Historic Test Year, Pro Forma Operating Revenue Adjustments Loder Settlement R					¢	0124	
Revenue Adjustments Under Settlement R	ates				\$	912	

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CITY OF BETHLEHEM - BUREAU OF WATER FUTURE TEST YEAR

PRO FORMA OPERATING REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS UNDER SETTLEMENT RATES

		2013 and 2014
		Adjustment
Adj.		Increase
Ref.	Explanation	(Decrease)

3 To adjust Inside-City Operating Revenues for the projected gain in the number of customers during the twelve months ended 12/31/2013 and 12/31/2014

Customer	Gain in Number of Customers, 12 Months Ended		Average Gain/Loss in	Average Annual Bill, Settlemenl	Annualized Revenue		
Classification	31-Dec-11	31-Dec-12	Customers	Rates	Ac	ljustment	
Residential			(23.7)	\$404.55	\$	(9,588)	\$ (9,588)
Commercial			(1.3)	2,283.22		(2,968)	(2,968)
Industrial			(2.0)	13,278.77		(26,558)	(26,558)
Public	<u> </u>		(5.0)	3,274.53		(16,373)	(16,373)
Total		-	(32.0)			(55,487)	

R14 To adjust Outside-City Operating Revenues for the projected gain in the number of customers during the twelve months ended 12/31/2013 and 12/31/2014

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Customer	Number of	n in Customers, ns Ended	Average Gain/Loss in	Average Annual Bill, Settlement		nnualized Revenue	
Classification	31-Dec-11	31-Dec-12	Customers	Rates	_A	djustment	
Residential			65	\$346.98	\$	22,669	\$ 22,669
Commercial			(1)	1,985.66		(2,648)	\$ (2,648)
Industrial			1	7,588.91		5,059	\$ 5,059
Public			2	5,856.59		9,761	\$ 9,761
Total	-	-	66.3			34,841	

CITY OF BETHLEHEM - BUREAU OF WATER FUTURE TEST YEAR

PRO FORMA OPERATING REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS UNDER SETTLEMENT RATES

Adj. Ref.	Explanation	2013 and 2014 Adjustment Increase (Decrease)
R15	To adjust Inside-City Operating Revenues for projected gain in the number of private fire lines, private fire hydrants, thousand square feet of protected area and the number of public fire hydrants for the future test year and fully forecasted future test year, based on average gain in units over the last three years.	

INSIDE-CITY - Private Fire Protection:

		of Units,	Average Annual Gain in	Settlement		
Size	31-Dec-10	31-Dec-13	Units	Rates	Revenue	
Less than 6"	125	125	-	112.50	\$ -	
6-Inch	160	169	3.0	140.55	1,687	
8-Inch	57	58	0.3	168.27	224	
10-Inch	2	2	-	195.99	-	
12-Inch	6	8	0.7	252.06	672	
Sq. Ft. of Area	15,054	17,325	757.1	2.79	8,450	
Hydrants	394	378	(5.3)	78.27	(1,670)	
Total					9,363	\$ 18,726
INSIDE-CITY - F						
Hydrants	<u>31-Dec-10</u> 1,422	31-Dec-13 1,425	1.0	66.00	264	528

R16 To adjust Outside-City Operating Revenues for projected gain in the number of private fire lines, private fire hydrants, thousand square feet of protected area and the number of public fire hydrants for the future test year and fully forecasted future test year, based on average gain in units over the last three years.

OUTSIDE-CITY - Private Fire Protection:

	- Hitelo - Ho - H		Average Annual			
	Number	of Units,	Gain in	Settlement		
Size	31-Dec-10	31-Dec-13	Units	Rates	Revenue	
Less than 6"	44	44	-	112.50	\$0	
6-Inch	113	80	(11.0)	140.55	-6,184	
8-Inch	103	110	2.3	168.27	1,571	
10-Inch	7	7	-	195.99	0	
12-Inch	9	9	-	252.06	0	
Sq. Ft. of Area	15,893	17,137	414.7	2.79	4,628	
Hydrants	461	437	(8.0)	78.27	-2,505	
Total					-2,490	\$ (4,980)
OUTSIDE-CITY	- Public Fire Pro	otection				
Hydrants	31-Dec-10 1,155	31-Dec-13 1,153	(0.7)	66.00	-176	 (352)

Total Fulure Test Year, Pro Forma Operating Revenue Adjustments Under Settlement Rates

\$ (6,724)

To annualize operating revenues for Inside-City and Outside-City Private Fire Protection customers for the number of private fire lines, private fire hydrants and thousand square feet of protected area as of December 31, 2010

INSIDE-CITY

Size	Present Quantity Rates Revenue			
Less than 6"	125	\$ 107.25	\$53,625	
6-Inch	169	133.98	90,570	
8-Inch	58	160.41	37,215	
10-Inch	2	186.84	1,495	
12-Inch	8	240.30	7,690	
Protected Area	17,325	2.67	185,036	
Private Hydrants	378	74.61	112,810	

Total

\$488,441

OUTSIDE-CITY

		F	Present		
Size	Quantity	<u></u>	Rates	Revenue	
Less than 6"	44	\$	107.25	\$18,876	
6-Inch	80	\$	133.98	42,874	
8-Inch	110	\$	160.41	70,580	
10-Inch	7	\$	186.84	5,232	
12-Inch	9	\$	240.30	8,651	
Protected Area	17,137	\$	2.67	183,024	
Private Hydrants	437	\$	74.61	130,418	
Total				-	\$459,655
Total Revenue from Private Fire	e Lines				948,096

To adjust operating revenues for Outside-City Public Fire Protection customers for the number of public fire hydrants as of December 31, 2010

OUTSIDE-CITY		Present					
Public Fire Protection	Quantity	Rates	Revenue				
Public Fire Hydrants	1,153	\$66.00	\$304,392				

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To annualize operating revenues for Inside-City and Outside-City Private Fire Protection customers for the number of private fire lines, private fire hydrants and thousand square feet of protected area as of December 31, 2012

		Proposed				
Size	Quantity	Rates	Revenue			
Less than 6"	125	\$ 112.50	\$56,250			
6-Inch	169	140.55	95,012			
8-Inch	58	168.27	39,039			
10-Inch	2	195.99	1,568			
12-Inch	8	252.06	8,066			
Protected Area	17,325	2.79	193,352			
Private Hydrants	378	78.27	118,344			

Total

INSIDE-CITY

\$511,631

OUTSIDE-CITY

		Ρ	roposed		
Size	Quantity		Rates	Revenue	
Less than 6"	44	\$	112.50	\$19,800	
6-Inch	80	\$	140.55	44,976	
8-Inch	110	\$	168.27	74,039	
10-Inch	7	\$	195.99	5,488	
12-Inch	9	\$	252.06	9,074	
Protected Area	17,137	\$	2.79	191,250	
Private Hydrants	437	\$	78.27	136,816	
Total					\$481,443
Total Revenue from Priva	te Fire Lines				993,074

To adjust operating revenues for Outside-City Public Fire Protection customers for the number of public fire hydrants as of December 31, 2012

OUTSIDE-CITY	Proposed					
Public Fire Protection	Quantity	Rates	Revenue			
Public Fire Hydrants	1,153	\$66.00	\$304,392			

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APPENDIX

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RATE SCHEDULES



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PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SECRETARY'S BUREAU

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Customer Charge 0 24.00 1.934.664 24.75 1.995.122 3/4 1.234 0 41.94 51.754 41.94 51.754 1/2 983 0 81.42 60.036 81.42 60.036 Subtotal 82,832 0 159.12 636 159.12 636 Subtotal 82,832 0 1,130,020 4.0190 4.541.550 4.2660 4.820,665 Subtotal 0 1,130,020 4.0190 4.541.550 4.2660 4.820,665 Total 82,832 1,130,020 6.608,640 6.948,214 Customer Charge 5/8 5,859 0 8.00 46,872 8.25 48,337 3/4 106 0 13.98 1,482 13.98 1,482 1/2 3,433 0 53.04 182,086 53.04 182,086 2 1,121 0 85.28 95.599 85.28 95.599 3 <th>(1)</th> <th>(2)</th> <th>(3)</th> <th>(4)</th> <th>(5)</th> <th>(6)</th> <th>(7)</th>	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
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Total 1,920 39,976 208,926 217,644	Subtotal		39,976		125,525		133,240
	Tolal	1,920	39,976		208,926		217,644

1000 Gallons (1) Customer Charge 5/8 3/4 1 1 1/2 2 3 4 6 12	Of Bills (2) 48 36 203 1,102 1,061 262 72 58 0	<u>Consumption</u> (3) 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	(4) <u>nercial - Monthly</u> 8.00 13.98 27.14 53.04 85.28	Revenue (5) 384 503 5,509 58,450	(6) 8.25 13.98 27.14	(7) 396 503 5,509
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First Block	0_	349,978	3.1400	1,098,931	3.3330	1,166,477
Subtotal	0	349,978		1,098,931		1,166,477
Total	2,842	349,978		1,351,485		1,419,044
Total Class	4,762	389,954		1,560,411		1,636,688
		Indus	tria <u>l - Quarterly</u>			
Customer Charge						
5/8	16	0	24.00	384	24.75	396
3/4	2	0	41.94	84	41.94	84
1	36	0	81.42	2,931	81.42	2,931
1 1/2	2	0	159.12	318	159.12	318
12	8	0	3,295.11	26,361	3,295.11	26,361
Subtotal	64	0		30,078	_	30,090
First Block	0	2,462	3.1400	7,731	3.3330	8,206
Subtotal	0	2,462	0.1100	7,731		8,206
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Total	64	2,462		37,809		38,296
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Customer Charge			•			
1	. 0	0	27.14	0	27.14	0
1 1/2	164	0	53.04	8,699	53.04	8,699
2	213	0	85,28	18,165	85.28	18,165
3	100	0	174.80	17,480	174.80	17,480
4	96	0	273.56	26,262	273.56	26,262
6	34	0	547.11	18,602	547.11	18,602
8	24	0	1,098.37	26,361	1,098.37	26,361
Subtotal	631	0		115,569		115,569
First Block	0	227,074	3.1400	713,012	3.3330	756,838
Subtotal	0	227,074	0.1100	713,012		756,838
Total	631	227,074		828,581		872,407
Total Class	695	229,536		866,390		910,702

Rate Block 1000 Gallons	Number Of Bills	Total Consumption		resent Rate	Revenue	Se	ettlement Rate	Settlement Revenue
(1)	(2)	(3)		(4)	(5)		(6)	(7)
		Duk	blia O	uarterly				
Customer Charge		<u>- u</u>		Uarteny				
5/8	217	0		24.00	5,208		24,75	5,371
3/4	36	D		41.94	1,510		41,94	1,510
1	114	0		81.42	9,282		81,42	9,282
1 1/2	4	0		159.12	636		159.12	636
Sublotal	371	0			16,636			16,799
First Block	0	10,547		3.1400	33,118		3.3330	35,153
Subtotal	0	10,547		3.1400	33,118		3.5550	35,153
Subiotal	V	10,547			33,110			35,155
Total	371	10,547			49,754			51,952
		Pu	blic - N	lonthly				
Customer Charge								
5/8		0		8.00	0		8.25	0
3/4		0		13.98	0		13.98	0
1	34	0		27.14	923		27.14	923
1 1/2	393	0		53.04	20,845		53.04	20,845
2	562	0		85.28	47,927		85.28	47,927
3	359	0		174.80	62,753		174.80	62,753
4	182	0		273.56	49,788		273.56	49,788
6	36	0		547.11	19,696		547.11	19,696
Subtotal	1,566	0			201,932			201,932
First Block	0	143,161		3.1400	449,526		3.3330	477,156
Subtotal	0	143,161			449,526			477,156
Total	1,566	143,161			651,458			679,088
Total Class	1,937	153,708			701,212			731,040
		Private	<u>e Fire -</u>	Quarterly				
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Less than 6"	500		\$	107.25	53,625	\$	112.50	56,250
6-Inch	676			133.98	90,570		140.55	95,012
8-Inch	232			160.41	37,215		168.27	39,039
10-Inch	8			186.84	1,495		195.99	1,568
12-Inch	32			240.30	7,690		252.06	8,066
Protected Area	69,302			2.67	185,036		2.79	193,353
Private Hydrants	1,512			74.61	112,810		78.27	118,344
	72,262				488,442			511,631
Total Inside City	174,961	2,232,435			11,991,949			12,587,911

Rate Block 1000 Gallons	Number Of Bills	Total Consumption	Present Rate	Revenue	Settlement Rate	Settlement Revenue
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
		Reside	ential - Quarterly			
Customer Charge						
5/8	46,946	0	24.00	1,126,704	24.75	1,161,914
3/4	571	0	41.94	23,948	41.94	23,948
1	338	0	81.42	27,520	81.42	27,520
1 1/2	22	0	159.12	3,501	159.12	3,501
Subtotal	47,877	0		1,181,673		1,216,882
First Block	0	638,276	4.0190	2,565,231	4,2660	2,722,885
Subtotal	0	638,276		2,565,231		2,722,885
Total	47,877	638,276		3,746,904		3,939,767
-		Resid	ential - Monthly			
Customer Charge						
5/8	49	0	8.00	392	8.25	404
3/4	18	0	13.98	252	13.98	252
1	13	0	27.14	353	27.14	353
1 1/2	347	0	53.04	18,405	53.04	18,405
2	293	0	85.28	24,987	85.28	24,987
3	60	0	174.80	10,488	174.80	10,488
6	12	0	547.11	6,565	547.11	6,565
8	0	0	1,098.37	0	1,098.37	0
Subtotat	792	0		61,442		61,454
First Block	0	40,965	4.0190	164,638	4.2660	174,757
Subtotal	0	40,965		164,638		174,757
Total	792	40,965		226,080		236,211
Total Class	48,669	679,241		3,972,984		4,175,978
0		Comm	ercial - Quarterly			
Customer Charge	40.4	^	04.00	44 DE0	24 75	40.007
5/8	494	0	24.00	11,856	24.75	12,227
3/4	135	0	41.94	5,662	41.94	5,662
1	113	0	81.42	9,200	81.42	9,200
1 1/2	<u> </u>	0	159.12	0	159.12	0
Subtotal	742	0		26,718		27,089
First Block	0	18,811	3.1400	59,067	3.3330	62,697
Subtotal		18,811		59,067		62,697
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Rate Block 1000 Gallons	Number Of Bills	Total Consumption	Present Rate	Revenue	Settlement Rate	Settlement Revenue
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
		Com	ecolol Monthly			
Customer Charge			nercial - Monthly			
5/8	58	0	8.00	464	8.25	479
3/4	38	0	13.98	531	13.98	531
1	205	0	27.14	5,564	27.14	5,564
1 1/2	973	0	53.04	51,608	53.04	51,608
2	1,544	0	85.28	131,672	85.28	131,672
3	335	0	174.80	58,558	174.80	58,558
4	122	0	273.56	33,374	273.56	33,374
6	22	0	547.11	12,036	547.11	12,036
Subtotal	3,297	0		293,807		293,822
First Block	0	159,103	3.1400	499,583	3.3330	530,290
Subtotal	0	159,103	5.1400	499,583	0.0000	530,290
Sholdian	0	100,100		100,000		000,200
Total	3,297	159,103		793,390		824,113
Total Class	4,039	177,914		879,175		913,899
		Indus	trial <u>- Quarterly</u>			
Customer Charge						
5/8	13	0	24.00	312	24.75	322
3/4	1,7	0	41,94	713	41.94	713
1	13	0	81.42	1.058	81.42	1,058
2	1	0	255.84	256	255.84	256
Subtotal	44	0		2,339		2,349
First Block	0	1,103	3,1400	3,463	3.3330	3,676
Subtotal	0	1,103		3,463		3,676
Total	44	1,103		5,802		6,025
		Indu	<u>strial - Monthly</u>			
Customer Charge						
1 1/2	102	0	53.04	5,410	53.04	5,410
2	78	0	85.28	6,652	85.28	6,652
3	58	0	174.80	10,138	174.80	10,138
4	89	0	273.56	24,347	273.56	24,347
6	12	0	547.11	6,565	547.11	6,565
8	8	0	1,098.37	8,787	1,098.37	8,787
Subtotal	347	0		61,899		61,899
First Block	0	70,507	3.1400	221,392	3,3330	235,000
Subtotal	0	70,507		221,392		235,000
Tolal	347	70,507		283,291		296,899
Total Class	391	71,610		289,093		302,924

Rale Block 1000 Gallons (1)	Number Of Bills (2)	Total Consumption (3)	Present Rate (4)	Revenue (5)	Settlement <u>Rate</u> (6)	Settlement Revenue (7)
		Pub	lic - Quart <u>erly</u>			
Customer Charge						
5/8	36	0	24.00	864	24.75	891
3/4	4	. 0	41.94	168	41.94	168
1	29	0	81.42	2,361	81.42	2,361
1 1/2	0	0	159,12	0	159.12	0
2	0	0	255.84	0	255.84	0
Subtotal	69	0		3,393		3,420
First Block	0	1,092	3.1400	3,429	3.3330	3,640
Sublotal	0	1,092		3,429		3,640
Total	69	1,092		6,822		7,060
		Put	<u>olic - Monthly</u>			
Customer Charge						
5/8	18	0	8.00	144	8.25	149
3/4		0	13.98	0	13.98	0
1	22	0	27.14	597	27.14	597
1 1/2	143	0	53.04	7,585	53.04	7,585
2	271	0	85.28	23,111	85.28	23,111
3	134	0	174.80	23,423	174.80	23,423
4	104	0	273.56	28,450	273.56	28,450
6	36	0	547.11	19,696	547.11	19,696
Sublotal	728	0		103,006		103,011
First Block	0	103,887	3.1400	326,205	3,3330	346,255
Subtotal	0	103,887		326,205		346,255
Total	728	103,887		429,211		449,266
Total Class	797	104,979		436,033		456,326

Rate Block 1000 Gallons	Number Of Bills	Total	Present Rate	Revenue	Settlement Rate	Settlement Revenue
(1)	(2)	Consumption (3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(0)	(0)	(7)
		Other Wat	ter Utilities - Quarte	rly		•
Customer Charge		_				
2	0	0	255.84	0	255.84	0
8	4	00	,3,295.11	13,180	3,295.11	13,180
Sublotal	4	0		13,180		13,180
First Block	0	60,377	3,7380	225,689	3.9690	239,636
Subtotal	0	60,377		225,689		239,636
Total	4	60,377		238,869		252,816
		<u>Other Wa</u>	ter Utilities - Month	l <u>v</u>		
Customer Charge						
5/8		0	8.00	0	8.25	0
3/4		0	13,98	0	13. 9 8	0
1	12	0	27.14	326	27.14	326
1 1/2	0	0	53.04	0	53.04	0
2	24	0	85.28	2,047	85.28	2,047
3	12	0	174.80	2,098	174.80	2,098
4	35	0	273.56	9,575	273.56	9,575
6	68	0	547.11	37,203	547.11	37,203
8	60	0	1,098.37	65,902	1,098.37	65,902
10	24		1,098.37	26,361	1,098.37	26,361
Subtotal	235	0		143,512		143,512
First Block	0	146,036	3.7380	545,883	3.9690	579,617
Subtotal	0	146,036		545,883		579,617
Total	235	146,036		689,395		723,129
Total Class	239	206,413		928,264		975,945
		Privat	<u>e Fire - Quarterly</u>			
Less than 6"	176		\$ 107.25	18,876	\$ 112.50	19,800
6-Inch	320		133.98	42,874	140.55	44,976
8-Inch	440		160.41	70,580	168.27	74,039
10-Inch	28		186.84	5,232	195.99	5,488
12-Inch	36		240.30	8,651	252.06	9,074
Protected Area	68,548		2.67	183,024	2,79	191,250
Private Hydrants	1,748		74.61	130,418	78.27	136,816
	71,296			459,655		481,443
		Public	<u> Fire - Quarterly</u>			
Hydrants	4,612		\$ 66.00	304,392	\$ 66.00	304,392
Total Outside City	130,043	1,240,157		7,269,596		7,610,906

APPENDIX

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STATEMENTS IN SUPPORT



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PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SECRETARY'S BUREAU

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BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

 PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY
 : DOCKET Nos. R-2013-2390244

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 C-2014-2400863

THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM-BUREAU OF WATER

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MAY **23** 2014 PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SECRETARY'S BUREAU

CITY OF BETHLEHEM STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF JOINT PETITION FOR SETTLEMENT OF RATE INVESTIGATION

TO ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE JOEL H. CHESKIS:

The City of Bethlehem ("City"), by and through Counsel, hereby

respectfully submits that the terms and conditions of the foregoing Joint Petition

for Settlement of Rate Investigation ("Joint Petition" or "Settlement") are in the

public interest and represent a fair, just, reasonable and equitable balance of the

interest of the City and its water customers.

A. <u>BACKGROUND</u>

1. All active parties to this proceeding participated in settlement discussions and as result, the City, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement

("I&E"), the Office of Consumer Advocate ("OCA") and the Office of Small Business Advocate ("OSBA") have agreed upon the terms embodied in the foregoing Joint Petition.

The City is a city of the third class providing water service to a 2. population of over 115,000 people within the City's municipal boundaries and ten municipalities situated in Lehigh and Northampton counties. At present the City serves approximately 12, 672 customers outside of its municipal boundaries whose rates and service are regulated by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("Commission"). The cornerstone of the City's water system is its 23,000 acre watershed landholding located in the Pocono Mountains in Carbon and Monroe Counties, comprised of two man-made reservoirs impounding approximately 10,000,000 gallons of water. Raw water from these sources is conveyed via gravity to the City's 28.6 MGD granular multi-media water treatment plant. Following treatment, the water is transmitted through transmission mains and 492 miles of distribution mains to its residential, commercial, industrial, institutional, public and fire protection customers.

3. On November 26, 2013 the City Filed Supplement No. 11 to Tariff Water-Pa. P.U.C. No. 6 requesting an increase of its total annual operating

revenues of \$1,119,726 representing a rate increase of approximately 15.% for the City's jurisdictional customers. By Order entered January 23, 2014, the Commission instituted a formal investigation to determine the lawfulness, justness and reasonableness of the City's existing and proposed rates, rules and regulations. The City's filing was originally suspended by operation of law until August 25, 2014, unless permitted by Commission order to become effective at an earlier date.

4. The case was assigned to Administrative Law Judge Joel H.Cheskis for the purposes of conducting hearings and issuing a RecommendedDecision.

5. A prehearing conference was held on February 12, 2014.

6. The Joint Petitioners engaged in several settlement discussions which resulted in the development of the settlement agreement set forth in the Joint Petition.

B. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SETTLEMENT

7. The City represents that the settlement reached by the parties is the result of extensive discovery, negotiations and compromises by all parties.

The City submits that the settlement reached in this proceeding is in the public interest for the following reasons:

a. Revenue *Requirement* (Joint Petition ¶6) The settlement allows the City to increase operating revenues by approximately \$350,000 or % over existing revenues. This settlement represents a reduction of \$769,726 or 68.75% of the City's filed request. The City's last general rate increase filing was in 2011. Since that time City customers have experienced stable rates for a period of three (3) years. It is also important to note that there were no customer complaints filed against the City's revenue increase request in this matter. This fact highlights the reasonableness of the settled revenue increase including the following:

b. *Capital Projects* (Joint Petition¶7) The settlement provides that the City of Bethlehem will complete a series of seven (7) capital construction projects which will enhance the reliability of its water system totaling \$1,890,000.

c. *Stay Out* (Joint Petition ¶8) The settlement provides for the City to refrain from filing a general base rate increase (with a general exception) until March 31, 2016. Such a restriction provides for stable rates for the City customers for a significant period of time.

d. *Meter Replacement* (Joint Petition ¶ 11) The Settlement provides that the City will begin to evaluate and implement a multiyear project to replace all customer water meters and to install radio frequency (RF) meter reading technology in conjunction with the meter replacement. This program will provide a more cost effective, efficient and reliable meter reading system for the City and its customers.

8. Settlement of this rate case is consistent with the Commission's stated policy to encourage negotiated settlements in lieu of incurring the time, expense and uncertainty of litigation.

9. Finally, the Settlement obviates the need for further litigation and possible appellate proceedings, thereby resulting in substantial savings for the joint Petitioners and the City's customers.

WHEREFORE, the City of Bethlehem represents that it fully supports the instant settlement as being in the public interest and respectfully requests that presiding Administrative Law Judge Cheskis recommend, and the

Commission subsequently approve without modification, the proposed settlement as set forth in the Joint Petition.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Counsel for the City of Bethlehem

Dated: May 23, 2014

Appendix C- Statement 3

BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

Docket Nos. R-2013-2390244

City of Bethlehem – Bureau of Water

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STATEMENT OF THE OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE IN SUPPORT OF JOINT PETITION FOR SETTLEMENT

The Office of Consumer Advocate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (OCA), one of the signatory parties to the Joint Petition for Settlement of Rate Investigation (Settlement), finds the terms and conditions of the Settlement to be in the public interest for the following reasons:

I. INTRODUCTION

On November 26, 2013 the City of Bethlehem – Bureau of Water (Bethlehem or City) filed Supplement No. 11 to Tariff Water - Pa. P.U.C. No. 6, to become effective January 25, 2014, which contained proposed changes in rates, rules and regulations calculated to produce \$1,119,726 in additional revenues, or 15% from outside-City customers, based upon the experienced level of operations in the fully projected future test year (FPFTY) ending December 31, 2014. On December 9, 2013, the OCA filed a formal complaint against the proposed rate increase (C-2013-2396055). The Office of Small Business Advocate (OSBA) also filed a formal complaint on January 7, 2014. The Bureau of Investigation & Enforcement (I&E) entered an appearance.

By Order entered January 23, 2014, the Commission instituted an investigation to determine the lawfulness, justness, and reasonableness of the property and the second determine the lawfulness of the property and the second determine the lawfulness of the property and the second determine the lawfulness of the second determine the second determine the second determine the second determine the lawfulness of the second determine the second determine

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PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SECRETARY'S BUREAU regulations. Pursuant to 66 Pa. C.S. § 1308(d), the filing was suspended by operation of law until August 25, 2014. The case was assigned to Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Joel Cheskis.

On February 12, 2014, a Prehearing Conference was conducted by ALJ Cheskis, at which time a schedule was set. A public input hearing was held on March 19, 2014. The City served its direct testimony with its filing on November 26, 2013, while the non-City parties served direct testimony on March 12, 2014. Rebuttal testimony was served on March 31 and surrebuttal testimony was served on April 14. As a result of a number of discussions and meetings during the course of the proceeding, the parties were able to agree to resolve all issues, resulting in the comprehensive settlement terms and conditions set forth herein. On April 24, 2014, a hearing was held by ALJ Cheskis at which time the parties stipulated to the admission of written testimony and exhibits of all parties. As discussed below, the OCA submits that the Settlement is in the public interest and should be adopted.

II. REVENUES

The proposed Settlement provides for an overall annual revenue increase for outside-City customers of \$349,947, or 4.7%. Appendix A. See also Settlement ¶ 6. Under the City's rate request, a typical residential customer using 14,000 gallons of water per quarter would see an increase from \$80.27 to \$95.04, or 18.4% per quarter. Under the proposed Settlement, however, a typical residential customer using 14,000 gallons of water per quarter would see an increase from \$80.27 to \$95.04, or 18.4% per quarter. Under the proposed Settlement, however, a typical residential customer using 14,000 gallons of water per quarter would see an increase from \$80.27 to \$95.04, or 200 gallons of water per quarter would see an increase from \$80.27 to \$84.47, or approximately 5.2%. Settlement ¶ 17.

Based on the OCA's analysis of the City's filing, the proposed increase under the Settlement represents an amount which, in the OCA's view, would be within the range of the likely outcomes in the event of full litigation of the case.

III. STAY-OUT PROVISION

Under the proposed Settlement, the City cannot file for another general rate increase prior to March 31, 2016.¹ Settlement \P 8. If the City files as soon as the stay out expires and if the next case is fully litigated, then the current rates would be in effect for approximately twenty-nine months. Thus, the stay out will provide for rate stability for the City's PUC-jurisdictional customers.

IV. CAPITAL PROJECTS

In the Settlement \P 7, the City stipulates that the following capital construction projects, which total \$1,890,000, will be completed by the dates indicated:

- a) 5th & William Street pump station replacement \$400,000- completion in the first quarter of 2015;
- b) five MG SE storage tank modifications \$90,000- completion in 2014;
- c) East Allen Township Shady Lane improvements \$300,000 completion in 2014;
- d) Wild Creek Dam repairs \$120,000- completion in 2014;
- c) Southside pump station replacement \$420,000- completion in the first quarter of 2016;
- f) Fire pump station replacement \$450,000- completion in first quarter of 2017;

g) and Salisbury Township Weil Street pump station - \$110,000- completion in 2014.

These capital projects will help to improve the quality and efficiency of the City's water distribution system, which will ultimately benefit the City's PUC-jurisdictional ratepayers.

V. REQUIREMENTS FOR NEXT RATE CASE

If the City elects to use a FPFTY in its next base rate filing, the City has agreed that its claimed FPFTY will be in compliance with Section 315(e) of the Utility Code. Settlement ¶ 10. In the next rate base proceeding, the City has also agreed to prepare and submit a comparison of

¹ This provision excludes the filing with the Commission by the City of a DSIC Petition and, if approved, the inclusion of quarterly DSIC surcharges on customers' bills.

its actual expenses and rate base additions for the twelve months ended December 31, 2014 to its projections in this case. Settlement ¶ 12. Additionally, provided that the Lower Saucon Township Authority completes the installation of the meter pits as required by the Commission's Order at Docket No. R-00072492 et al, the City agrees to study the feasibility and costs of a demand study to be used in the next rate case. Settlement ¶ 13. These provisions should allow all parties to adequately prepare for the City's next base rate filing.

VI. OTHER PROVISIONS

Installation Of Radio Frequency Meter Reading Technology

The City has agreed to begin evaluation and implementation of a project to replace all customer water meters with radio-frequency meter reading technology. Settlement ¶ 11. This advanced technology should benefit PUC-jurisdictional customers by improving the accuracy of meter reads for the customers and ensuring more accuracy in the calculation of unaccounted for water.

• Inspection Of Venturi Meter

In the Settlement, the City agrees to have the manufacturer inspect and verify the accuracy of the City's clearwell Venturi meter located at its water filtration plant. If the accuracy falls outside a range of 2.5% +/-, the City will either correct the accuracy of the Venturi meter or, if necessary, have it replaced. Settlement ¶ 9. An accurate Venturi meter benefits customers by improving the accuracy of the measurement of water leaving the water treatment plant and entering the distribution system.

VII. CONCLUSION

The terms and conditions of the proposed Settlement of this rate proceeding represent a fair and reasonable resolution of the issues and claims arising in this proceeding. If approved, the proposed Settlement would provide for an increase of approximately \$350,000 in annual

revenues from PUC-jurisdictional customers. This amount is reduced from the \$1,119,726 annual increase proposed in the City's filing. In addition, the ratepayers will benefit from the stay-out and other provisions addressing ratemaking issues. Finally, the Commission and all parties would benefit from the reduction in rate case expense and the conservation of resources made possible by adoption of the Settlement in lieu of full litigation.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, the Office of Consumer Advocate submits that the proposed Settlement is in the best interest of the PUC-jurisdictional customers of the City of Bethlehem – Bureau of Water.

Respectfully Submitted,

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BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION	
v.	: Docket No. R-2013-2390244
CITY OF BETHLEHEM-BUREAU OF WATER	

STATEMENT OF THE OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE IN SUPPORT OF THE JOINT PETITION FOR SETTLEMENT

I. Introduction

The Office of Small Business Advocate ("OSBA") is an agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania authorized by the Small Business Advocate Act (Act 181 of 1988, 73 P.S. §§ 399.41 – 399.50) to represent the interests of small business consumers as a party in proceedings before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("Commission").

On November 26, 2013, the City of Bethlehem – Bureau of Water ("City" or "Water Bureau") filed Supplement 11 to Tariff Water – Pa. P.U.C. No. 6 ("Supplement No. 11) requesting an increase in total annual base revenues of \$1,119,726 per year, or 15%.

On January 7, 2014, the OSBA filed a complaint against the proposed rate increase.

By Order entered January, 23, 2014, the Commission began a formal investigation at Docket No. R-2013-2390244 to determine the lawfulness, justness, and reasonableness of the Water Bureau's existing and proposed rates, rules, and regulations. Supplement No.11 was suspended by operation of law until August 25, 2014, unless permitted by the Commission to become effective at an earlier date.

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MAY 23 2014 PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SECRETARY'S BUREAU The case was assigned to Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") Joel E. Cheskis for hearings and the issuance of a Recommended Decision. A Prehearing Conference was held on February 12, 2014. The parties served written direct, rebuttal and surrebuttal testimony, which was admitted into the record at a Hearing held by ALJ Cheskis on April 24, 2014.

Parties to this matter include the Water Bureau, the OSBA, the Commission's Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement ("I&E"), and the Office of Consumer Advocate ("OCA"). All parties are collectively referred to henceforth as the "Joint Petitioners."

II. Summary of OSBA's Principal Concerns

In its Complaint, the OSBA identified issues of concern, including the following:

1. Whether the Water Bureau's requested return on common equity of 7.80% is excessive and is therefore unjust, unreasonable, and contrary to law; and

2. Whether the Water Bureau's proposed rates, rate design, and cost and revenue allocation are or may be unjust, unreasonable, and unlawfully discriminatory in violation of, <u>inter alia</u>, Sections 1301 and 1304 of the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa.C.S. §§1301 and 1304, and contrary to appropriate public policy and sound ratemaking considerations, and may not be supported by the materials filed by the Water Bureau.

Further, in the Direct Testimony of its witness, Brian Kalcic, the OSBA recommended that the Commission approve the City's proposed outside-City revenue allocation, and recommended that the City establish a separate Industrial consumption charge applicable to inside- and outside-City customers in the City's next base rate proceeding, which will facilitate greater movement toward cost-based rates in future proceedings.

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The OSBA participated in the mediation process and negotiations with the parties to this matter which have led to the filing of the Joint Petition for Settlement ("Settlement"). The OSBA is a signatory to the Settlement.

III. Summary of Settlement

The Joint Petitioners conducted several conferences (in person, by telephone, and by email) in an attempt to achieve a settlement of some or all of the issues in this case. The Settlement sets forth a comprehensive list of issues which were resolved through the negotiation process. This statement outlines the OSBA's specific reasons for joining the Settlement. The following provisions were of particular significance to the OSBA in concluding that the Settlement is in the best interests of small business customers:

1. Under the original filing by the Water Bureau, jurisdictional customers were to get an increase of \$1,119,726. The Settlement reduced the rate increase to \$350,000 or approximately 31% of the amount initially requested by the City. The Commercial class of customers received a 4.1% increase, which is below the system average.

2. The City agreed, in Paragraph 14 of the Settlement. to evaluate the reasonableness, feasibility, and need for a separate rate schedule for Industrial customers, including whether City records accurately categorize non-residential customers by class.

By resolving the foregoing issues of concern to the OSBA, the Settlement enables the OSBA to conserve its resources and avoid the uncertainties inherent in fully litigating those issues.

WHEREFORE, the OSBA respectfully requests that the Administrative Law Judge and the Commission approve the Settlement without modification.

Respectfully submitted,

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BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission	:
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v.	:
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City of Bethlehem- Bureau of Water	:

Docket No. R-2013-2390244

BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF JOINT PETITION FOR SETTLEMENT



TO ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE JOEL H. CHESKIS:

PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SECRETARY'S BUREAU

MAY 23 2014

The Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement (I&E) of the Pennsylvania Public

Utility Commission (Commission), by and through its Prosecutor Allison C. Kaster, hereby respectfully submits that the terms and conditions of the foregoing Joint Petition for Settlement (Joint Petition or Settlement) are in the public interest and represent a fair, just, and reasonable balance of the interests of the City of Bethlehem- Bureau of Water (City) and its customers;

I. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

1. I&E is charged with representing the public interest in Commission proceedings related to rates, rate-related services, and applications affecting the public interest. In negotiated settlements, it is incumbent upon I&E to identify how amicable resolution of any such proceeding benefits the public interest and to ensure that the public interest is served. Based upon I&E's analysis of the City's base rate filing, acceptance of this proposed Settlement is in the public interest and I&E recommends that the Administrative Law Judge and the Commission approve the Settlement in its entirety.

2. On November 26, 2013, the City filed Supplement No. 11 to Tariff Water-Pa. P.U.C. No. 6 requesting an increase of \$1,119,726 (approximately 15%) in total annual operating revenues to become effective January 25, 2014. By Order entered January 23, 2014, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission instituted a formal investigation to determine the lawfulness, justness, and reasonableness of the City's existing and proposed rates, rules, and regulations. The filing was suspended by operation of law until August 25, 2014, unless permitted by Commission order to become effective at an earlier date.

3. Administrative Law Judge Joel H. Cheskis (ALJ) was assigned to this proceeding for purposes of conducting hearings and issuing a Recommended Decision.

4. I&E entered its Notice of Appearance on December 2, 2013.

5. A prehearing conference was held on February 12, 2014, during which the parties agreed to a schedule for the service of testimony and the dates for evidentiary hearings.

6. At 6:00 p.m. on March 19, 2014, a Public Input Hearing was held at the Northampton Community College in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. One witness testified at the Public Input Hearing.

7. In accordance with the established procedural schedule, I&E served on all active parties the following pieces of testimony and accompanying exhibits addressing rate of return, operating expenses, rate base, and rate design:

I&E Witness Rachel Maurer

Direct Testimony

Surrebuttal Testimony

I&E Witness Lisa Boyd

Direct Testimony

Surrebuttal Testimony

Rate of Return

I&E Statement No. 1 I&E Exhibit No. 1

I&E Statement No. 1-SR I&E Exhibit No. 1-SR

Operation and Maintenance Expenses

I&E Statement No. 2 I&E Exhibit No. 2

I&E Statement No. 2-SR I&E Exhibit No. 2-SR

Rate Base/Rate Design

I&E Statement No. 3 I&E Exhibit No. 3

I&E Witness Jeremy Hubert

Direct Testimony and Exhibit

Surrebuttal Testimony and Exhibit

I&E Statement No. 3-SR I&E Exhibit No. 3-R

8. In accordance with Commission policy favoring settlements in lieu of time and resource consuming litigation, I&E participated in multiple in-person and telephonic settlement discussions with the City and other parties to the proceeding.

9. Following extensive settlement negotiations, ALJ Cheskis was notified at the evidentiary hearing on April 24, 2014 that the parties reached a full and complete settlement of all issues. The parties waived cross-examination of all witnesses and I&E entered the testimonies identified above into the evidentiary record.

II. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SETTLEMENT

10. It is the policy of the Commission to encourage settlements. 52 Pa. Code §

5.231. The Commission issued the following policy statement that articulates general settlement guidelines and procedures for major rate cases:

In the Commission's judgment, the results achieved from a negotiated settlement or stipulation, or both, in which the interested parties have had an opportunity to participate are often preferable to those achieved at the conclusion of a fully litigated proceeding. It is also the Commission's judgment that the public interest will benefit by the adoption of §§ 69.402—69.406 and this section which establish guidelines and procedures designed to encourage full and partial settlements as well as stipulations in major section 1308(d) general rate increase cases.

52 Pa. Code § 69.401.

11. The policy statement highlights the importance of settlement in Commission proceedings. The instant rate case was filed on November 26, 2013, and over the past six months, the parties engaged in extensive formal and informal discovery, preparation of testimony, and lengthy settlement discussions. All signatories to the Joint Petition actively participated in and vigorously represented their respective positions during the course of the settlement process. As such, the issues raised by I&E have been satisfactorily resolved through discovery and discussions with the parties and are incorporated in the Joint Petition. I&E represents that the Settlement satisfies all applicable legal standards and results in terms that are preferable to those that may have been achieved at the end of a fully litigated proceeding. Accordingly, for the reasons articulated below, I&E maintains that the proposed Settlement is in the public interest and

requests that the following terms be approved by the ALJ and the Commission without modification:

12. Revenue Requirement (Joint Petition ¶ 6): As proposed, the City filed for a total increase in jurisdictional annual operating revenues of \$1,119,726. The Settlement rates are designed to produce \$350,000 in additional annual operating revenues, which is a \$769,726 reduction from the City's original request and represents a significant savings for the City's jurisdictional customers.

I&E analyzed the ratemaking claims contained in the City's filing including operating and maintenance expenses, rate base, projected revenues, rate structure, hypothetical capital structure, and the cost of common equity and long-term debt. After this review and engaging in extensive discovery and settlement discussions, I&E fully supports the revenue level compromised upon in the Settlement. Due to the "black box" nature of the Settlement, the Settlement does not reflect agreement upon individual issues; rather, the parties have agreed to an overall increase to base rates that is substantially less than what was requested by the City. Line-by-line identification and ultimate resolution of every issue raised in the proceeding is not necessary to find that the Settlement is in the public interest nor could such a result be achieved as part of a settlement. Black box settlements benefit ratepayers because they allow for the resolution of a contested proceeding at a level of increase that is below the amount requested by the regulated entity and in a manner that avoids the significant expenditure of time and resources related to further litigation.

Black box settlements are not uncommon in Commission practice. Indeed, the

Commission has endorsed the use of black box settlements, as discussed in a recent Order

approving such a settlement:

We have historically permitted the use of "black box" settlements as a means of promoting settlement among the parties in contentious base rate proceedings. See, Pa. PUC v. Wellsboro Electric Co., Docket No. R-2010-2172662 (Final Order entered January 13, 2011); Pa. PUC v. Citizens' Electric Co. of Lewisburg, PA, Docket No. R-2010-2172665 (Final Order entered January 13, 2011). Settlement of rate cases saves a significant amount of time and expense for customers, companies, and the Commission and often results in alternatives that may not have been realized during the litigation process. Determining a company's revenue requirement is a calculation involving many complex and interrelated adjustments that affect expenses, depreciation, rate base, taxes and the company's cost of capital. Reaching an agreement between various parties on each component of a rate increase can be difficult and impractical in many cases. For these reasons, we support the use of a "black box" settlement in this proceeding and, accordingly, deny this Exception.

Pa. PUC v. Peoples TWP LLC, Docket No. R-2013-2355886, p. 28 (Order entered December 19, 2013).

I&E individually, and the Joint Petitioners collectively, considered, discussed, and negotiated all issues of import in this Settlement. From a holistic perspective, each party has agreed that the Settlement benefits its particular interest. The Commission has recognized that a settlement "reflects a compromise of the positions held by the parties of interest, which, arguably fosters and promotes the public interest." *Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission v. C S Water and Sewer Associates*, 74 Pa. PUC 767, 771 (1991). The Settlement in this proceeding promotes the public interest because a review of the testimony submitted by all parties demonstrates that the Joint Petition reflects a

compromise of the litigated positions held by those parties. Therefore, I&E submits that the Settlement balances the interests of the City and its customers in a fair and equitable manner and presents a resolution for the Commission's adoption that best serves the public interest.

Public utility regulation allows for the recovery of prudently incurred expenses as well as the opportunity to earn a reasonable return on the value of assets used and useful in public service. The increase proposed in this Settlement respects this principle. Ratepayers will continue to receive safe and reliable service at just and reasonable rates while allowing the City sufficient additional revenues to meet its operating and capital expenses and providing the opportunity to earn a reasonable return on its investment. As discussed above, the Settlement rates significantly moderate the increase initially proposed by the City and, I&E believes, properly balances the interests of all parties. Accordingly, I&E submits that the proposed Settlement is in the public interest and requests that it be approved by the ALJ and the Commission without modification.

13. **Capital Projects (Joint Petition ¶ 7):** The City agreed to complete capital projects that are specified in the Settlement totaling \$1,890,000 within the identified timeframes. These projects will improve the City's system and will assist in providing safe and reliable service to its customers; therefore, the City's commitment to complete the projects identified in the Settlement is in the public interest.

14. Stay Out (Joint Petition ¶ 8): With the exceptions noted in the Settlement, the City will not file a general rate increase under Section 1308(d) of the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa.C.S. § 1308(d), prior to March 31, 2016. This lengthy stay-out

provision is in the public interest because it provides jurisdictional customers some financial respite before another rate increase proposal is filed.

15. Fully Projected Future Test Year (Joint Petition ¶ 10):

The City utilized a Fully Projected Future Test Year (FPFTY) ending December 31, 2014 to calculate its requested revenue requirement in this proceeding. The FPFTY concept is a recent and dramatic change from the standard ratemaking process. Although previously allowing for use of a Future Test Year (FTY), Section 315 of the Public Utility Code traditionally required that utility investment be used and useful in the provision of service before the investment was reflected in rates. I&E St. No. 3, p. 3. However, as amended under Act 11, Section 315 of the Public Utility Code now allows a utility to project investment, and correspondingly include it in the utility's claimed revenue requirement, through the twelve-month period beginning with the first month that the new rates will be placed in effect after application of the full suspension period permitted under section 1308(d).

The City's rate case was filed on November 26, 2013 and was suspended until August 26, 2014. As such, the City's FPFTY should have begun on August 26, 2014 and ended on August 26, 2015. I&E St. No. 3, pp. 5-6. In order to coincide with its fiscal year, however, the City's claimed FPFTY began January 1, 2014 and ended December 31, 2014. I&E St. No. 3, p. 6. As such, the City's claimed FPFTY is eight months shorter than provided under Act 11 and it will not fully experience the benefits intended by the FPFTY. I&E St. No. 3, p. 9.

The City controls when base rate cases are filed and the periods utilized for its historic, future and fully projected future test years; therefore, I&E maintains that it is the City's responsibility to ensure that the claimed test years adhere to the parameters set forth in Act 11. The Settlement accomplishes that goal because, if a FPFTY is claimed in the City's next base rate proceeding, the City agrees to timely file its next base rate case so that its FPFTY is the twelve-month period utilizing the test years allowed in accordance with Act 11. Accordingly, regardless of whether a FTY or FPFTY is selected, this Settlement term ensures that the test years utilized in the City's next base rate proceeding.

16. Fully Projected Future Test Year Reports (Joint Petition ¶ 12):

In its next base rate proceeding the City agrees to submit a comparison of actual expenses and rate base additions experienced in the FPFTY to the projections made in this case. I&E recognizes that Section 315 of the Public Utility Code authorizes the use of such projections; however, in light of the extended time period beyond which utilities are permitted to project rate base investment and operating expenses, it is important for parties to obtain sufficient information to review and evaluate the accuracy of the City's projections.

17. Rate Structure/Rate Design (Joint Petition ¶ 16):

I&E reviewed the City's proposed customer charges and recommended that they be approved as proposed. I&E St. No. 3, p. 25. If the Commission grants less than the City's full increase, I&E recommended that the City's proposed consumption rates be scaled back to ensure that the revenue recovered from jurisdictional customers produces

the level of revenue the Commission allowed the City the opportunity to recover. I&E St. No. 3, pp. 25-29.

The Settlement provides that the customer charge for a 5/8-inch customer will increase from \$8.00 per month to \$8.25 per month, in lieu of the City's requested \$8.80. The consumption rate for residential customers will increase from \$4.019 per thousand gallons to \$4.266 per thousand gallons, in lieu of the \$4.903 originally requested by the City in its filing. Under the Settlement rates, the quarterly bill of a typical 5/8-inch jurisdictional residential customer who uses 14,000 gallons of water will increase from \$80.27 to \$84.47 (5.2%), rather than to \$95.04 (18.4%) as originally requested in the City's filing. The proposed customer charges and usage rates are in the public interest because the revenue increase recovered from the City's jurisdictional customers is moderated while still allowing the City to recover an appropriate level of costs and an opportunity to earn a reasonable return.

III. THE SETTLEMENT SATISFIES THE PUBLIC INTEREST

18. I&E signed this Settlement after an exhaustive investigation of the City's filing, extensive formal and informal discovery, and the submission and review of multiples pieces of direct, rebuttal, and surrebuttal testimony by all Joint Petitioners.

19. All issues raised in testimony have been satisfactorily resolved through discovery and discussions with the City or are incorporated in the Settlement. The very nature of a settlement requires compromise on the part of all parties. This Settlement exemplifies the benefits to be derived from a negotiated approach to resolving what initially may appear to be irreconcilable differences. Joint Petitioners have carefully

discussed and negotiated all issues and further delineation of issues beyond those presented in the Settlement is not necessary. I&E believes that the settled outcome maintains a proper balance of the interests of all parties, is satisfied that no further action is necessary, and considers its investigation of this rate filing complete.

20. Based upon I&E's analysis of the filing, acceptance of this Settlement is in the public interest. Resolution of this case by settlement rather than litigation avoids the substantial time and effort involved in continuing to formally pursue all issues in this proceeding at the risk of accumulating excessive expense and regulatory uncertainty.

21. I&E further submits that the acceptance of this Settlement negates the need for evidentiary hearings, which would compel the extensive devotion of time and expense for the preparation, presentation, and cross-examination of multiple witnesses, the preparation of Main and Reply Briefs, the preparation of Exceptions and Replies, and the potential of filed appeals, all yielding substantial savings for all parties and ultimately all customers. Moreover, the Settlement provides regulatory certainty with respect to the disposition of issues and final resolution of this case which all parties agree benefits their discrete interests.

22. The Settlement is conditioned upon the Commission's approval of all terms without modification. Should the Commission fail to grant such approval or otherwise modify the terms and conditions of the Settlement, it may be withdrawn by the City, I&E, or any other Joint Petitioner.

23. I&E's agreement to settle this case is made without any admission or prejudice to any position that I&E might adopt during subsequent litigation in the event

that the Settlement is rejected by the Commission or otherwise properly withdrawn by any other parties to the Settlement.

24. If the ALJ recommends that the Commission adopt the Settlement as proposed, I&E agrees to waive the filing of Exceptions. However, I&E does not waive its right to file Replies to Exceptions with respect to any modifications to the terms and conditions of the Settlement or any additional matters that may be proposed by the ALJ in the Recommended Decision. I&E also does not waive the right to file Replies in the event any party files Exceptions.

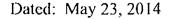
WHEREFORE, the Commission's Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement represents that it supports the Joint Petition for Settlement as being in the public interest and respectfully requests that Administrative Law Judge Joel H. Cheskis recommend, and the Commission approve, the terms and conditions contained in the Settlement without modification.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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