

## November 10, 2022

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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Application of 52 Pa. Code § 3.501 to Certificated Water and Wastewater Utility Acquisitions, Mergers, and Transfers (L-2020-3017232)

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

On August 13, 2022, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("PUC") announced a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking ("NOPR") regarding the *Application of 52 Pa. Code § 3.501 to Certificated Water and Wastewater Utility Acquisitions, Mergers and Transfers* at Docket No. L-2020-3017232.

Comments to the NOPR were due 60 days from August 13, 2022. The Office of Small Business Advocate ("OSBA") did not submit Comments on October 12, 2022. However, the Office of Consumer Advocate ("OCA") did submit Comments.

The OSBA has reviewed the Comments of the OCA, and has concluded that the OCA's Comments were balanced, just, and reasonable. Therefore, the OSBA submits this letter to inform the Commission that this office supports the October 12<sup>th</sup> Comments submitted by the OCA.

Sincerely,

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## BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Application of 52 Pa. Code Section 3.501 :

to Certificated Water and Wastewater : Docket No. L-2020-3017232

Utility Acquisitions, Mergers, and : Transfers Notice of Proposed :

Rulemaking

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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