



April 22, 2022

*Via Email*

Hearing Officer Marlane Chestnut  
c/o Philadelphia Water, Sewer and Storm Water Rate Board  
1515 Arch Street, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Philadelphia, PA 19102

RE: Philadelphia Water Department's Annual Adjustment of Tiered Assistance Program Rate Rider Surcharge Rates (FY 2023 Rates)

Dear Hearing Officer Chestnut,

In light of the proposed settlement of the Tiered Assistance Program Rate Rider Surcharge Rate (TAP-R) reconciliation adjustment for Fiscal Year 2023 rates, submitted jointly by the Philadelphia Water Department (PWD) and the Public Advocate, this letter confirms that the Public Advocate will not be submitting a brief. Since only PWD and the Public Advocate submitted testimony relevant to the calculation of the TAP-R for Fiscal Year 2023, I am unaware of any matters to address via briefing at this time.

However, I respectfully request that, if any participants file statements in opposition to the proposed settlement or briefs raising matters not previously raised in relevant witness testimony, the Public Advocate be provided a reasonable opportunity to respond thereafter.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Robert W. Ballenger  
Robert W. Ballenger, Esq.  
For the Public Advocate

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