

**BEFORE THE
PHILADELPHIA WATER, SEWER AND STORM WATER RATE BOARD**

In the Matter of the Philadelphia Water	:	
Department's Proposed Changes in Water and	:	2025 TAP-R Reconciliation
Sewer Rates and Related Charges	:	Proceeding for Fiscal Year 2026
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PREHEARING CONFERENCE ORDER

A prehearing conference to address preliminary procedural issues was held via Zoom in this proceeding on April 8, 2025. Participating either pro se or through counsel were the Philadelphia Water Department, the Public Advocate, the Philadelphia Water Revenue Bureau, the Philadelphia Large Users Group, and individual participants Lance Haver and Michael Skiendzielewski. All participants to the General Rate Proceeding were invited by e-mail to participate; in addition, the notice of the prehearing conference was posted on the Rate Board's website at <https://www.phila.gov/departments/water-sewer-storm-water-rate-board/meetings/>

The following determinations were made:

(1) **SCHEDULE:** After review and discussion, the following schedule was adopted for use in this proceeding:

Activity	Date
Advance Notice	February 18, 2025
Formal Notice	March 31, 2025
Participation deadline	April 7, 2025
Prehearing conference	April 8, 2025
PA/other participant direct testimony	April 21, 2025
Rebuttal testimony	May 2, 2025
Last day for information requests	May 5, 2025
Public/Technical hearings	May 8, 2025 (public hearing at 9:00 a.m. to be continued into a technical hearing) If necessary, May 9, 2025

Last day for Transcript responses	May 12, 2025
Participants briefs/settlement petition if any	May 19, 2025
Reply briefs/objections to settlement petition	May 23, 2025
Hearing Officer Report	June 18, 2025 (subject to change)
Exceptions to Hearing officer Report	June 25, 2025 (subject to change)
Board deliberation	July 16, 2025
Board deliberation and determination	July 23, 2025

To be considered as timely, all submissions must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day it is due. Late-filed submissions will be accepted only for good cause. All hearings will be conducted virtually or telephonically. The Department and the Public Advocate will each work to ensure that outreach is conducted to ensure maximum notice of the scheduled hearings is provided to the public.

(2) **INFORMATION REQUESTS:** Participants will use their best efforts to be reasonable and accommodating when propounding or responding to information requests.

(3) **SETTLEMENT:** Participants are expected to settle or stipulate to any matter they reasonably can to expedite this proceeding,

Marlane R. Chestnut
Hearing Officer

April 10, 2025