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THE PROVISION OF WASTEWATER CONVEYANCE SERVICE

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NOTICE

This tariff makes changes in rates as approved by the Commission in its Final Order entered January 18, 2024 at Docket No. R-2023-3039921.

**LIST OF CHANGES**

**Table of Contents (Page No. 3):**

Added page numbers for new PennVest Charge (PVC)

**Part I: Schedule of rates and charges, Section A - Wastewater  
Conveyance -**

**Number 1 Minimum or base charge (Page No. 9)**

Term "Base" added in addition to "Minimum" to describe fixed charge. Added rates for Minimum or Base Charges which will increase for all customer classes. Text moved from Page No. 9 to new Page No. 9A

**Part I: Schedule of rates and charges, Section A - Wastewater  
Conveyance -**

**Number 2 Conveyance Charge (New Page No. 9A)**

Added rates for Conveyance Charges for all customer classes effective. Removed references to 71 P.S. §§ 720.211 to 720.213 as no longer applicable.

**Part I: Schedule of Rates and Charges, Section A - Number 3 PennVest  
Charge (PVC) (New Pages No. 9B-9D)**

New text describing PennVest Charge to include purpose, effective rate, computation, semi-annual adjustments, and annual reconciliation.

**Part I: Schedule of Rates and Charges, Section A - Number 5 Treatment  
Rate (Page No. 10)**

Updated numbering and text to include reference to PVC.

**Part I: Schedule of rates and charges, Section A.1 - Rates for  
Unmetered Service (Page No. 11)**

Added rates for Unmetered Service for all rate classes effective.

**LIST OF CHANGES (con' t)**

**RIDER BDP - BILL DISCOUNT PROGRAM (RESIDENTIAL) (PAGE NO. 17)**

Increase eligibility from 150% of FPL to 200% of FPL. Increased the volumetric discount for BDP participants with income at or below 50% of FPL to 60%. Added text that BDP participants will pay 50% of the PVC charge.

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List of Territories Served

The City of Pittsburgh.

PART I: SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES

Section A - Wastewater Conveyance

1. Minimum (or Base) Charge: Each customer will be assessed a service charge based upon the size of the customer's water meter as follows except that residential customers residing in newly constructed townhomes who are required to install a meter larger than 5/8" for fire protection and due to City ordinance requirements, may request assessment of the 5/8" minimum charge and usage allowance: (C)

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Minimum Gallons</u>	<u>Per Month</u>	(C)
5/8"	1,000	\$8.25	(I)
3/4"	2,000	\$13.19	(I)
1"	5,000	\$27.35	(I)
1 1/2"	10,000	\$52.06	(I)
2"	17,000	\$85.98	(I)
3"	40,000	\$195.00	(I)
4"	70,000	\$335.31	(I)
6"	175,000	\$817.77	(I)
8"	325,000	\$1,499.45	(I)
10" or Larger	548,000	\$2,500.18	(I)

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2. Conveyance Charge: In addition to the Minimum or Base Charge, the following wastewater conveyance charges (based on water consumption/usage or wastewater flows, at the Authority's discretion) will apply for each 1,000 gallons above the Minimum Gallons for each meter size:

(C)

Customer Class	Conveyance Charge Rate Per 1000 Gals.
Residential	\$6.68
Commercial	\$5.94
Industrial	\$6.09
Health or Education	\$6.75

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3. **PennVest Charge (PVC)**: In addition to the charges provided in this tariff, and pursuant to the Commission's Statement of Policy at 52 Pa. Code §§ 69.361 et seq., and Section 1307(a) of the Public Utility Code, the PVC will apply uniformly to all classes of wastewater conveyance customers (with the exception of customers served pursuant to pre-existing wholesale contracts) for each 1,000 gallons conveyed. The PVC will apply to unmetered customers based on the estimated billed consumption used to determine their rate for unmetered service.
- a. **Purpose**. The purpose of the PVC is to begin timely recovery of specific interest only and principal and interest ("PI") obligations due by PWSA for loans, not grants, received from the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority ("PennVest") when they first become due and until fully repaid and will remain in effect until costs are fully recovered.
- b. The currently effective PVC is:

Customer Class	PennVest Charge Rate per 1000 Gals.
All Customers	\$0.00

The above charge per 1000 Gallons is determined as follows:

$$\text{PVC} = \text{PI} / \text{Conveyance}$$

PVC = PennVest Charge per 1,000 gallons

PI = Annual Interest Only and/or Principal and Interest payments per PENNVEST identified below

Conveyance = total projected billed conveyance in 1000s gallons conveyed by all customers in forecast year



- f. **Credit Calculation.** An over-collection occurs after the annual PI is fully recovered within the 12-months subject to the Annual Reconciliation. Interest on over-collections will be calculated in the first full month after the over-collection occurred at the residential mortgage lending specified by the Secretary of Banking in accordance with the Loan Interest and Protection Law (41 P.S. §§ 101, et seq.).
- g. The charge will be effective the first billing cycle immediately following the effective date of the tariff supplement. The PVC shall remain in effect if and until included in the general base rates of the Authority; provided, however, that the charge may be continued or adjusted by the Authority as additional PennVest loans, which have been approved for other PWSA Infrastructure Improvement projects, become due and payable.
- h. The charge will be reflected as a separate line item on each customer's bill.
- i. The Authority will segregate all revenues dedicated for PennVest repayment so long as the charge remains in effect

4. Treatment Rate:

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a. In addition to the Minimum or Base Charge, the Conveyance Charge, and the PVC, customers will be required to pay rates for Wastewater/Sewage treatment to Premises.

(C)

b. The rates for Wastewater/Sewage treatment to Premises within the Authority's service area are established by ALCOSAN, and are paid by the Authority to ALCOSAN. Information on ALCOSAN's rates is available on its website.

c. Wastewater/Sewage treatment charges may be reflected on Authority bills/invoices as ALCOSAN charges, basic service and sewage treatment.

Section A.1 - Wastewater Conveyance (Unmetered Service)

1. Customer Charge. As of September 1, 2018 enrollment for Unmetered Service will be closed and no new Unmetered Service customers will be accepted by the Authority. Customers who are receiving unmetered service will be assessed a monthly customer charge per unmetered connection as follows:

<u>Customer Class</u>	<u>Customer Charge</u>
Residential (per unit)	\$28.29
Commercial	\$32.01

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2. Treatment Rate: In addition to the Customer Charge, Customers who are receiving unmetered service will be required to pay rates for Wastewater/Sewage treatment to Premises, as set forth in Section A.3.

Section B - Bulk Wastewater Conveyance

1. Application: This schedule applies to all bulk wastewater conveyance for other wastewater utilities or public authorities.
2. Rates and Terms of Service: Contracts stipulating the negotiated rate and negotiated terms of Bulk Wastewater Conveyance may be entered into between the Authority and Customer or Applicant when the Authority, in its sole discretion, deems such offering to be economically advantageous to the Authority.

**(D)= Decrease (I) = Increase (C)= Change**



Section C - Returned Check Charge

A charge of \$20.00 will be assessed any time where a check which has been presented to the Authority for payment on account has been returned by the payor bank for any reason if the customer has not paid a returned check charge under PWSA's water or storm water tariff.

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(C)

Section D - Reserved

Section E - Service Termination or Resumption Rates

The fee for service termination shall be \$50.00. The fee for resumption of service shall be 50.00. These termination and resumption fees will be waived if a customer has paid these fees under the water tariff.

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Section F - Reserved

Section G - Collection Expenses and Fees described in the Authority's Supplemental Service Conditions

Pennsylvania law provides that municipalities and their authorized utility service providers may collect an overdue bill or debt by filing a lien on the property with the County. This lien is then collected at the sale or disposition of the property. As a public utility, the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority must follow the credit and collection regulations of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. Its use of liens as a collections tool is not pursuant to these credit and collection regulations. Any account with past due charges may be sent a reminder notice which shall contain notification that unpaid water, wastewater and/or stormwater charges are a lien against the property. The Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority may file the lien on a property where a delinquent balance accumulated. (C)

Once filed with the Department of Court Records for Allegheny County, a lien (together with interest and fees) must be paid prior to the sale or refinancing of the property by the owner. A lien may be enforced through the forced sale of the property where the debt was accrued. The Authority's Supplemental Service Conditions available at [www.pgh2o.com](http://www.pgh2o.com) provides more detailed information about liens. (C)

**(c) = Change**

Section H - Miscellaneous Charges, Fees, and Penalties (includes processing fees, and permits)

The Authority will not charge customers for access to data in the possession of the Authority that would be required for the Authority to respond to a customer dispute or complaint. (C)

1. Processing Fees

<u>Item</u>	<u>Charge or Fee*</u>	
Certified mailing	\$20.00	(I)
History retrieval	\$10.00	(D)
Final bill	\$20.00	(D)
Map and Record Requests	\$40.00	(C)
Easement Recording	\$3,700.00	(C)

\*Assessed per account.

**Dye Test Application Processing Fees**

Evidence of Compliance Statement	\$20.00	(D)
Temporary Evidence of Compliance Statement	\$30.00	(I)
Inspection	\$120.00 for first 2 hours + \$60 per hr after 2 hrs	(I) (C)
Duplicate Evidence of Compliance Statement	\$20.00	(D)

2. Penalties (C)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Penalty</u>	
Illegal Connection - Residential	\$60.00	
Illegal Connection - Commercial	\$110.00	

(I) Increase, (D) Decrease

4. Activities Related to Permits/Approvals Issued by PWSA  
**a. Development Permits** - required for constructing or renovating a structure larger than a single-family home including single-family homes with a fire service line or multi-family homes

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Developer Fee - Water and Sewer Availability Letter	\$40.00
Developer Fee - Water and Sewer Use Review Letter	\$320.00
Developer Fee - Water and Sewer Use Review Letter - Expedited*	\$550.00
Tap-in Plan Review	\$420.00
Tap-In Plan Review - Expedited*	\$740.00
Developer Permit Revisions Review	\$140.00
Developer Permit Revisions Review - Expedited*	\$250.00
Private Construction of Public Facilities Plan Review	\$680.00
Private Construction of Public Facilities Plan Review - Expedited*	\$1,190.00
DEP Sewage Facilities Planning Review	\$240.00
DEP Sewage Facilities Planning Review - Expedited*	\$410.00

\*Expedited = guaranteed review within 15 business days

- b. Residential Permit** - for sewer taps or reconnecting to existing sewer service

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Residential Permit	\$40.00

- c. Other Permits** (for any customer wanting to schedule an operation of a PWSA facility such as a fire hydrant or waterline shut)

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Termination Only Permit	\$250.00

**d. Land Operations Permits** (may be required for construction project, administered by City of Pittsburgh but requires review by PWSA before permit will be issued)

<b><u>Activity</u></b>	<b><u>Fee</u></b>
Review of City Land Operation Permit	\$80.00

**e. City of Pittsburgh Department of Mobility and Infrastructure (DOMI) Approvals** (PWSA required to submit approval letter if affected)

<b><u>Activity</u></b>	<b><u>Fee</u></b>
Review of City Street Vacation Permits	\$100.00
Review of City Encroachment Permits	\$100.00

Section I - Reserved for Future Use

Section J - New Automatic Payment Enrollment Credit

Customers enrolling in paperless billing and establishing automatic bill payments for the first time will receive a one-time credit of \$5.00. For customers receiving water, wastewater, and/or storm water service from PWSA, this credit will only be applied once per PWSA account.

Rider DIS - Demand Based Industrial Service

1. Applicability: This rate applies throughout the territories served under this tariff for service rendered on and after the Effective Date shown at the bottom of this page.
2. Availability: This rider is available to a Customer or Applicant when the Authority, in its sole discretion, deems such offering to be economically advantageous to the Authority and is limited to a Customer or Applicant that:
  - a. purchases wastewater conveyance from the Authority for industrial purposes;
  - b. enters into a Service Agreement for a term of not less than 2 years;
  - c. during the original and any renewal terms of the Service Agreement, agrees to purchase an average of 15 million gallons or greater volume of wastewater conveyance per month; and
  - d. has a viable competitive alternative to service from the Company and intends to select that alternative to the detriment of the Company and its other customers.

The Authority shall require documentation to establish, to the Authority's satisfaction, the existence of a competitive alternative. The Authority will require updates of competitive alternatives every five years. Such documentation may include, but is not limited to, an affidavit of the customer or, if the customer is a corporation, an affidavit of one or more of its officers.

3. Rate: The rate(s) to be charged qualifying customers under this rider will be as set forth in the Service Agreement, provided, however, that such rate(s): (1) shall not exceed the Maximum Rate; (2) shall not be less than the Minimum Rate; and (3) shall be subject to an Escalation Clause, as hereafter defined.

**Maximum Rate:** The Maximum Rate shall be the charges specified in the Authority's Rate Schedule that would otherwise apply to the qualifying customer absent this rider.

**Minimum Rate:** The Minimum Rate shall be sufficient to recover: (1) the Provision Cost of wastewater conveyance service; (2) the fixed costs associated with all new facilities added to serve the customer; and (3) some portion of the fixed costs of the Authority's other facilities. For purposes of this rider, the Provision Cost of wastewater conveyance service shall be the variable cost the Authority incurs to convey additional wastewater conveyance service, which consists of expenses for additional labor, electric power, materials and supplies, contract services, and other variable costs.

**Escalation Clause:** The rate set forth in the Service Agreement shall be subject to an Escalation Clause, during the original and any renewal terms of the Service Agreement, based upon changes in published price indices and/or changes in the Authority's cost of service, as the Authority and the qualifying customer shall agree.

4. Filing with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission/Confidentiality: Service Agreements entered into and between the Company and qualifying customers under this rider shall be filed with the Commission on a confidential basis within five (5) days of their execution and shall not be subject to disclosure except by Petition made to and granted by the Commission pursuant to 52 Pa. Code 1.74.





5.    Arrearage Forgiveness Program (C)
- a.    Customers receiving residential service pursuant to Rider BDP who maintain an active, income based payment plan as documented by the Authority shall be eligible to participate in the Arrearage Forgiveness Program. Customers who negotiate a payment arrangement for their pre-existing arrearages will be automatically enrolled in the Arrearage Forgiveness Program. (C)
  - b.    Eligible participants will have their billed charges in arrears forgiven in increments of \$30 per each payment received. Billed charges in arrears includes any amounts outstanding for PWSA's water service, if applicable. (I)
  - c.    The Authority will cease assessing any interest on the arrears and pursuing collections while the customer is in an active, income based payment plan.
  - d.    Should the participating customer default on the payment plan, he or she will have the opportunity to make two catch-up payments to continue to receive the benefits of the Arrearage Forgiveness Program. Failure to make the two catch-up payments will result in immediate removal of the customer from the Arrearage Forgiveness Program. (C)
  - e.    Customers removed from the Arrearage Forgiveness Program will be eligible to reenter the program if they make all missed payments incurred during their prior enrollment in the Arrearage Forgiveness Program. (C)
6.    The Authority reserves the right to propose to alter or eliminate the Arrearage Forgiveness Program in a future base rate case. (C)

(c) = Change, (I)= Increase

PART II: Definitions:

The following words and phrases, when used in this tariff, shall have the meanings assigned below unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

1. ALCOSAN: The Allegheny County Sanitary Sewer Authority, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.
2. Applicant: A natural person at least 18 years of age not currently receiving service who applies for residential service provided by the Authority or any adult occupant whose name appears on the mortgage, deed or lease of the property for which the residential utility service is requested. The term does not include a person who, within 30 days after service termination or discontinuance of service, seeks to have service reconnected at the same location or transferred to another location within the service territory of the Authority. (C)
3. Authority or PWSA: The Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority, a municipal authority organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
4. Authority Collection Main: The Authority has a duty to operate, maintain, inspect, repair, replace or abandon only those Wastewater Collection Mains that are a part of or connected to the public Wastewater collection, transmission and conveyance and that fall into one of the following classifications: (1) Wastewater Collection Mains leased to the Authority by the City under the Capital Lease Agreement effective July 27, 1995, as amended; (2) Wastewater Collection Mains constructed by the City or the Authority for public use since July 27, 1995; and (3) Wastewater Collection Mains dedicated to public use and accepted by the Authority on or after July 27, 1995.

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5. Authority Storm Water Sewers or Public Storm Sewers: The Authority has a duty to operate, maintain, inspect, repair, replace or abandon only those Storm Sewers that are a part of or connected to the public Sewer System and that fall into one of the following classifications: (a) Storm Sewers leased to the Authority by the City under the Capital Lease Agreement effective July 27, 1995, as amended; (b) Storm Sewers constructed by the City or the Authority for public use since July 27, 1995; and (c) Storm Sewers dedicated to public use and accepted by the Authority on or after July 27, 1995.

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6. Automatic Meter Reading: Metering using technologies that automatically read and collect data from metering devices and transfer that data to a central database for billing and other purposes.

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6. Bona Fide Service Applicant: (For Line Extension Purposes)  
A person or entity applying for wastewater conveyance service to an existing or proposed structure within the Authority's certificated service territory or areas served by PWSA as of December 21, 2017 for which a valid occupancy or building permit has been issued if the structure is either a primary residence of the applicant or a place of business. An applicant shall not be deemed a bona fide service applicant if:
    - a. applicant is requesting wastewater conveyance service to a building lot, subdivision or a secondary residence;
    - b. the request for service is part of a plan for the development of a residential dwelling or subdivision; or
    - c. the applicant is requesting special utility service.
  7. Capital Lease Agreement: The agreement bearing that title between the City and the Authority on July 15, 1995, effective July 27, 1995, and includes any amendments thereto.
  8. City: The City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
  9. City Lien Verification Letter: A written letter from the City to a Person regarding any liens, claims, or taxes due the City from that Person.
  10. Combination Sewer or Combined Sewer: Sewers designed and built to carry sanitary Sewage and/or industrial waste combined with Storm Water.
  11. Commercial or Commercial Property: Any property used, acquired or leased for purposes of carrying on a trade, business, profession, vocation, or any commercial, service, financial, or utility business or activity including, but not limited to, hotels, office buildings, gas service stations, laundries, commercial establishments, stores, malls, car washes, and parking lots.
  12. Commission or PUC: The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.
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14. Customer: A natural person at least 18 years of age in whose name a residential service account is listed and who is primarily responsible for payment of bills rendered for the service or any adult occupant whose name appears on the mortgage, deed or lease of the property for which the residential utility service is requested. The term includes a person who, within 30 days after service termination or discontinuance of service, seeks to have service reconnected at the same location or transferred to another location within the service territory of the Authority. (C)
15. Dye Test: A commonly accepted plumbing test whereby a nontoxic, non-staining dye is introduced into the surface Storm Water collection system of real property to determine if any surface Storm Water is entering the Sanitary Sewer system. The term "Dye Test" shall include any other reasonable and appropriate testing methodologies (excluding the use of smoke testing to detect roof leaders) acceptable to the Authority to determine if surface Storm Water is entering the Sanitary Sewer system.
16. Dye Testing Ordinance: City Ordinance No. 3 of 2006, adopted March 28, 2006, effective July 5, 2006, as codified in Title Four, Public Places and Property, Article III Sewers, Chapter 433, Illegal Storm Water Connections, of the Pittsburgh Code, and includes any amendments thereto.
17. Dye Testing Results Form: The form provided by the Authority to any person who has applied for evidence of compliance for a property served by a Sanitary Sewer, completed by a Registered Plumber.
18. Dwelling Unit: An individual housing unit on or in a Residential Property such as a single-family home or a single apartment within a multi-unit apartment building or mixed use building.
19. Equivalent Dwelling Unit or EDU: A unit of measurement that standardizes all land use types to the level of demand created by 1 single-family dwelling unit. The Authority equates 1 EDU to 300 gallons of water consumption per day.

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20. Evidence of Compliance Statement: A written letter or statement from the Authority confirming that it has on file a completed Dye Testing Results Form or other statement by a Registered Plumber certifying that there are no Illegal Surface Storm Water Connections to the Sanitary Sewer system on the property that is the subject of the application or statement
21. Ground Water: Water located beneath the ground surface that emanates from sources other than the Authority's water or wastewater systems.
22. Guaranteed Lessee: A Tenant to whom a Property Owner has made an assignment of possessory rights by agreement, thereby making the Tenant primarily responsible for the payment of water charges.
23. Guarantor: A Property Owner who guarantees payment of water by a Guaranteed Lessee.
24. Health or Education Property: Any hospital, clinic, or other human health care facility other than private physician or dentist offices, and any school, college, university, or other educational facility, whether public or private.
25. Health Department: The Allegheny County Health Department, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.
26. Illegal Surface Storm Water Connection: Any connection to the Authority's Sanitary Sewers that allows surface storm water to be discharged into the separate Sanitary Sewer system from sources including, but not limited to, downspout drainage, roof drainage, and areaway drainage.
26. Reserved for future use.
27. Industrial Property: Any property, the principal use of which is for manufacturing, processing, or otherwise producing products or goods for sale.
28. Lateral, Customer Lateral or Sewer Lateral: Wastewater or sewer lines that connect a property to the Authority's Collection Mains and carry sewage and/or Storm Water from one or more buildings or Premises to the Authority's Collection Mains

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29. Main extension: (For Line/Main Extension Purposes) An addition to the Authority's Wastewater Collection Main(s) which is necessary to serve the Premises of a new customer.
30. Main or Sewer Main or Wastewater Collection Main: Collection and transmission pipelines and related equipment and facilities, generally located in streets, public ways, or easements, that are used to collect and convey Sewage and/or Storm Water. Mains may be either Authority Collection Mains or Private Collection Mains.
31. Meter: Any device for the purpose of recording water consumption or the volume of wastewater discharged into a Wastewater Collection Main. This term includes, but it is not limited to any certified device used by the Authority, or by the Commission or for the purpose of measuring water, sewer or wastewater usage.
32. Nonresidential service: Wastewater conveyance service supplied to a Health or Education Property, commercial or industrial facility, including a hotel or motel, or to a master-metered mobile home or multi-tenant apartment building.
33. Occupant: A natural person who resides in the premises to which public utility service is provided. (C)
34. Owner: The person having an interest as owner, or a Person representing themselves to be the owner, whether legal or equitable, sole or partial, in any Premises that are or are about to be supplied with water or provided with wastewater conveyance service by the Authority.
35. Plumbing Code: The Allegheny County Health Department's Rules and Regulations for Plumbing and Building Drainage, Article XV, as amended, together with the International Building Codes for residential and commercial plumbing that Article XV amends or revises.

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36. Person: An individual, partnership, corporation or association, including any lessee, assignee, trustee, receiver, executor, administrator or other successors in interest. (C)
37. Private Collection Main: Any Main that is not an Authority Collection Main.
38. Private Storm Water Sewers or Private Storm Sewers: Any Storm Water Sewer that is not an Authority Storm Water Sewer.
39. Premises: A building or unit of a building such as a single family residential Dwelling Unit, an apartment building, or a commercial/industrial building.
40. Registered Plumber: A plumber registered and certified by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Allegheny County Health Department.
41. Remote Reading Device: The device that is generally affixed to the outside of a Premises or a meter installation and remotely collects and transmits Meter data. It is considered part of the Meter and meter reading equipment.
42. Residential service: Wastewater conveyance service supplied to an individual single-family residential dwelling unit. Water and/or sewer service supplied to a dwelling including service provided to a commercial establishment if concurrent service is provided to a residential dwelling attached thereto. Utility service provided to a hotel or motel is not considered residential service.
43. Residential Property: Any building containing one or more Dwelling Units occupied or intended to be occupied for residential purposes, but not including dormitories, nursing homes, hotels, or motels.

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44. Residential Tenant: A Person who leases a Dwelling Unit in a Residential Property pursuant to a current lease agreement.
45. Sanitary Sewers: Those portions of the Sewer System in the City of Pittsburgh that were designed and built to carry sanitary sewage and/or industrial waste separately from Storm Water discharge, and portions of the Sewer System designated as Sanitary Sewers by the Authority.
46. Sewage: Wastewater that contains the waste products or other discharges from the bodies of human beings or animals and any noxious or deleterious substances harmful or inimical to public health or to animal or aquatic life, or to the use of waters for domestic water supply or for recreation, or which constitutes pollution under the Pennsylvania Clean Streams Law, Act of June 22, 1937, P.L. 1987, as amended.
47. Sewer System: The entire system consisting of the Authority Collection Main and the Authority Storm Water Sewers.
48. Special Utility Service: Residential or business service which exceeds that required for ordinary residential purposes.
49. Storm Water: Drainage or runoff resulting from precipitation or snow or ice melt.
50. Storm Water Collection System or Storm Water Sewers: A separate network of gutters, ditches, swales, pipes and inlets which receives discharges of storm water and/or conveys surface water, subsurface drainage or storm water from buildings, grounds, parking lots, streets, etc. but excludes sewage. Storm Water Collection System may be Authority Storm Water Sewers or Private Storm Water Sewers.
51. Tariff: All the service rates, rules and regulations issued by the Authority, together with any supplements or revisions thereto, officially approved by the Commission and contained in this document.

52. Temporary Evidence of Compliance Statement: An Evidence of Compliance Statement issued under those circumstances and conditions detailed in these Rules and Regulations.
53. Tenant: A Person or entity leasing Premises pursuant to a current lease agreement.
54. Protected-Tenant: means a Residential Tenant, not a Customer, whose Dwelling Unit had water/sewer service at the time of rental, and who would be adversely affected by a shut off of service. Protected-Tenants are covered by the Discontinuance of Service to Leased Premises Act (DSLPA), 66 Pa.C.S. § 1521, et. seq. An individual is not a Protected-Tenant if he or she is or has agreed under the rental agreement to be a Customer or if he or she took possession of the Dwelling Unit when it was without water/sewer service. (C)
55. Unauthorized Use of Utility Service: Unreasonable interference or diversion of service, including meter tampering (any act which affects the proper registration of service through a meter), by-passing unmetered service that flows through a device connected between a service line and customer-owned facilities and unauthorized service restoral. (C)
56. User Without Contract: A Person that takes or accepts service without the knowledge or approval of the Authority, other than the Unauthorized Use of Utility Service as defined herein. This term only applies if the Authority is not billing the property or the property owner. (C)
57. Vacancy Affidavit: means a notarized statement by the Owner of a property certifying that the property has been vacant and water service has been terminated at the Curb Stop for a period in excess of 90 days.
58. Wastewater: Liquid waste discharged into the Sewer System by Dwelling Units or Non-Residential Properties, including wash water, Sewage, and other contaminants.

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PART III: RULES AND REGULATIONS

Section A - Applications for Service

1. Service Application Required: The Authority may require applications for service to be completed in writing on a form(s) provided by the Authority and signed by the Owner, Tenant, or Occupant of the property, as outlined in these Rules and Regulations and as otherwise provided in the Authority's Supplemental Service Conditions.
  - a. Service Conditions: The Authority will furnish service only in accordance with its PUC Approved Tariff and Supplemental Service Conditions, which are made a part of every application, contract, agreement, or license entered into between the Owner or Customer and the Authority. All such changes to these Supplemental Service Conditions will be a part of every application, contract, agreement or license for water, sewer, and storm water service in effect at the time such changes are adopted by the Authority.
  
2. Change in Ownership or Tenancy: A new application must be made to the Authority upon any change in ownership where the owner of the property is the customer, or upon any change in the identity of a lessee where the lessee of the property is the customer. The Authority shall consider the date of the change in ownership as the date of title transfer established by the record deed or otherwise established by sufficient evidence to show title to the property. The Authority shall have the right to discontinue or otherwise interrupt water service upon three (3) days' notice if a new application has not been made and accepted for the new customer.
  - a. Date of Eligibility to Assume Ownership: The Owner of a Dwelling Unit is eligible to become a Customer as of the date of property title transfer established by the record deed or otherwise established by sufficient evidence to show the Owner's title to the property.
  - b. Unpaid Account Balances: The Authority may require, as a condition of furnishing service to an Owner, the payment of any outstanding residential account balance(s) that accrued within the prior 4 years for

which the applicant is legally responsible and for which the applicant was properly billed.

3. Service Stipulations for Residential Tenants and Non-Owner Occupants

a. The Authority may require, as a condition of furnishing residential service to a Tenant or Non-Owner Occupant:

i. Payment by the applicant of any outstanding residential account that accrued within the prior 4 years for which the applicant is legally responsible and for which the applicant was properly billed.

ii. A tenant will not be required to assume liability for debt previously accrued at the property for which the tenant was not residing and/or for which the tenant was not on the mortgage, deed or lease as a condition to establishing service.

b. For Residential Tenants and Non-Owner Occupants seeking to become a customer at a property with an outstanding balance, the Authority will isolate the existing debt and pursue payment through its lien process and/or from the property owner or any prior tenant who incurred the outstanding charges.

c. Except as otherwise provided applicable to Protected-Tenant rights, a Tenant or Non-Owner Occupant of a Dwelling Unit who wishes to become a Customer of the Authority must submit:

i. Either an Owner/Tenant form, or provide other proof of tenancy.

ii. Other proof of tenancy that may be provided to establish service as a customer includes:

- A copy of the lease, or, in lieu of a written lease, a written or oral attestation of the property owner; or

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- which contains the name and address of the tenant; (C)  
or
- Other utility bill or bank statement with the customer's name and address.
- d. The Authority may notify the Property Owner if Residential Tenants and Non-Owner Occupants are delinquent in paying amounts due to the Authority.
- e. The Authority will notify the Tenant Applicant that the property owner will receive copies of bills and notices related to the account, including high consumption notices and any termination notices. (C)
- f. The Authority will notify the property owner at the time a tenant becomes a customer of the addition of the tenant and the information that will be shared with the property owner. If the tenant customer opts-out of the normal property owner notice process as described in subsection (g) below, the notice will inform the property owner of that selection. (C)
- g. Beginning no later than February 8, 2023, the Authority will notify Tenant Applicants and Tenant Customers of the option to opt-out of the Authority sending the property owner copies of bills and other notices related to the account. For Tenant Applicants and Tenant Customers who opt-out of notices being provided to the property owner, the Authority will limit notices to the property owner to the following: (C)
- i. A new account past due notice identifying only the amount overdue, to be sent to the property owner 30 days after the date the unpaid charges were issued;
  - ii. If charges continue to remain unpaid, the Authority will send a copy of the 10-day notice and all subsequent non-payment notices to the property owner;

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- iii. A copy of any high consumption notice based on the Authority's pre-bill review for accounts with usage that is greater than or equal to 200% of the previously recorded monthly usage and over 9,000 gallons; and (C)
- iv. A copy of any other notices, such as Waste of Water, Lead Service Line Replacement, or any other notice related to public safety, that require action by the property owner as a condition of the Authority continuing to provide service.
- v. Upon being offered the option to opt-out, Tenants will be notified that property owners will continue to be provided with the notices listed in (i)-(iv) above.

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4. Service Stipulations for Non-Residential Customers

- a. The Authority accepts Non-Residential property Owners, their duly authorized agents or Guaranteed Lessees as Authority Customers.
- b. The Owner of a property is eligible to become a Customer as of the date of property title transfer established by the record deed or otherwise established by sufficient evidence to show the Owner's title to the property.
- c. A tenant of a non-residential property who wishes to become a Non-Residential Customer of the Authority may apply to become a Guaranteed Lessee. A tenant applying for water and/or sewer service must submit:
  - i. names of the business' principals, official address, and a business license;
  - ii. satisfactory evidence of the Owner's consent to possession of the property by the tenant; generally, a copy of the lease agreement or other written evidence of the Owner's consent;
  - iii. written guarantee from the Owner assuring payment of any charges and fees billed to the tenant; and
  - iv. where violations of the Health Department Plumbing Code exist, certification by a Registered Plumber that necessary corrections have been made and that the Non-Residential Property is compliant with the applicable Plumbing Codes.

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- d. The Authority may notify the Property Owner if the tenant of a non-residential property is delinquent in paying amounts due to the Authority.

5. Eligibility of Service

- a. The Authority shall determine whether an applicant is eligible to become an Authority Customer in accordance with this Tariff and applicable Rules and Regulations of the Commission.
- b. An Authority Customer applicant for a Residential Property can be disqualified from becoming a Customer if one or more of the following circumstances exist:
  - i. The applicant is the agent of a current or previous delinquent Customer at the Dwelling Unit and is attempting on the delinquent Customer's behalf to avoid shut-off or restore service previously shut off without payment of said Customer's past due charges for service or any other charges or fees that are due. Such agency may be found to exist where the property that would be receiving the service is or will be occupied by the delinquent Customer or where such Customer would otherwise use or benefit from the service.
  - ii. The applicant has not paid or arranged to pay for past due charges for service for which the applicant is legally responsible at this or another service address, including charges for unauthorized usage of Authority services.
  - iii. Service to the Dwelling Unit is legally off and there exist uncorrected violations of the Health Department Plumbing Code or the Authority's service standards at the Residential Property or service to the property would endanger health or safety.
  - iv. Service cannot be accomplished without major revision of the Authority's conveyance facilities or acquisition of additional rights-of-way.
  - v. If the applicant is a Tenant or Occupant Customer currently receiving service at another residential service address.

6. Acceptance of Application: An application for service shall be considered accepted by the Authority only upon oral or written approval by the Authority. The Authority shall determine whether the applicant is eligible to become an Authority Customer and the type of Customer, Residential or Non-Residential. If the applicant is rejected the Authority shall inform the Applicant in writing of any conditions that must be met and any charges that must be paid in order to obtain service, consistent with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 56.36(b)(1). However, Tenants seeking to become Customers who comply with the requirements of Section A.3.c will not be denied Customer status. The Authority may provide service to the applicant pending formal review and acceptance of the application. (C)
7. Activation of Service
- a. Reserved.
- b. Where service has been shut off, and the Authority has been notified that the Health Department has determined the Premises to be in dangerous or imminently dangerous condition, service will be allowed only after the prior written consent of the Health Department.
8. Application Forms: Application forms can be obtained at the Authority's local business office, presently located at 1200 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15222; or by other means, as determined by the Authority.

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Section B - Construction and Maintenance of Facilities

1. Customer Lateral: The Customer Lateral shall be furnished, installed, maintained and/or replaced, when necessary, by and at the sole expense of the Customer. The Authority reserves the right to determine the size, location, type, material, and depth of Customer Laterals.
  - a. No Person shall connect a private sewer, Storm Sewer or Sanitary Sewer to an Authority Sewer System without first obtaining a permit from the Authority.
  - b. No Person shall do any of the following without the written authorization of the Authority:
    - i. make an opening of any kind in an Authority Sewer Main; or
    - ii. make any connection with any Sewer Lateral.
  - c. The Authority may require the Owner of any structure located within the Authority's service area that has access to a public Storm Sewer, Sanitary Sewer, or Combination Sewer to connect to the applicable public sewer or sewers by means of Sewer Laterals constructed, at the property Owner's cost, of materials and in a manner acceptable to the Authority and to the Health Department.
    - i. No structure shall be used or occupied as a Dwelling Unit if the structure or Premises does not have an approved connection with the Authority's Sewer System or alternate sewage facilities approved by the Health Department.
2. Separate Trench: The customer lateral shall not be laid in the same trench with electrical, gas, drain or water pipe, the facilities of any other public utility or of any municipality or municipal authority that provides a public utility service, or within three (3) feet of any open excavation, unless a written exception is granted by the Authority.

3. Customer's Responsibilities: All customer laterals, connections and fixtures furnished by the customer shall be maintained by the customer in good working order. All equipment and appliances furnished by the Authority and on property owned or leased by the customer shall be protected properly by the customer. All leaks on the customer lateral or any pipe or fixtures in or upon the customer's premises must be repaired immediately by the customer.
  
4. Right to Reject: The Authority may refuse to connect with any piping system or furnish wastewater conveyance through a lateral already connected if such system or lateral is not properly installed or maintained. The Authority, at any time, may request a Gravity Sewer Test be performed on the building lateral, at the sole expense of the owner, whenever it has evidence the lateral is leaking excessively, as determined by the Authority. Generally, leakage is considered excessive when the groundwater flow exceeds one hundred (100) gallon per inch of nominal diameter per mile of pipe per day. The Gravity Sewer Test shall be in accordance with Section 312.6 of the International Plumbing Code®
  
5. Individual Laterals: Except as otherwise expressly authorized by the Authority and/or as expressly approved by the Health Department, each individual customer shall be served only through a separate lateral connected directly to the Authority's conveyance main, and that lateral shall not serve any other customer or premise. No additional attachment may be made to any customer's lateral for any purpose without the express written approval of the Authority.

6. Connection to Authority Conveyance Mains: No connection shall be made to the Authority conveyance main or detachment from it, except under the direction and control of the Authority's authorized representative or its agent. All such connection shall be the property of the Authority and shall be accessible to it and under its control.
- a. All connections to the Authority's Sanitary Sewers, Combined Sewers, and Storm Sewers shall be made in conformity with plans and specifications approved by the Authority and shall be subject to the Authority's inspection.
  - b. Requirements for connections to Authority Sanitary Sewer, Combined Sewer, or Storm Sewer Mains for residential Development greater than a single-family residence or involving proposed flows of greater than 799 gallons per day, and for Non-Residential Properties, are contained In the Authority's Procedures Manual for Developers, which is incorporated in these Rules and Regulations and made a part hereof.
  - c. A small residential development, as determined by the Authority, involving a change in use or change in Wastewater flow, but not involving new sewer taps or connections, need not submit tap-in drawings, but may submit a Customer Application, Sewer Lateral Connection Application and/or other completed forms, available at the Authority's permit counter, may be required.
  - d. Sewer Laterals shall be designed, constructed, and Installed in compliance with Health Department regulations and requirements.
  - e. In areas of the collection system where the Authority has installed a pressure sewage collection system or where required, as determined by the Authority, the Customer, in conjunction with the construction of a lateral(s), shall install, own, operate, maintain and replace a grinder pump and holding tank at the Customer's expense. The facilities and equipment shall be specified and approved by the Authority prior to connection. The customer shall maintain such





8. Sampling and Analysis:

- a. Where, in the opinion of the Authority, a significant amount of wastewater is involved or the strength and character of the wastewater deviates from typical residential wastewater, the customer shall install, as part of the lateral, a manhole for the purpose of sampling, measurement, and observation of the discharge. The manhole will be constructed according to Authority specifications and in a manner that insures accessibility by Authority representative at all times.
- b. All measurements, sampling, testing and analyses of the characteristics of waters and wastewaters to which reference is made in the Rules and Regulations of the Company, shall be determined in accordance with 40 CFR Part 136 and other applicable regulations.
- c. All inspections, measurements, sampling, testing and analyses deemed by the Authority to be necessary under this Section or any other part of the Rules and Regulations of the Authority, shall be done by the Authority or its agents, employees or contractors. If the inspections, sampling, measurements, testing and/or analyses determine that a customer has created a situation which is in violation of any statute, ordinance, rule or regulation, then the customer shall be required to pay all costs incurred in remedying the situation. Costs assessed against a customer pursuant to this Section, shall be in addition to any other fees charged by the Authority. The costs shall be payable within thirty (30) days of presentation of an invoice to the customer at their current billing address.
- d. Where the Authority deems it advisable, it may require any customer discharging wastewater to install and maintain, at his or her own expense, in a manner approved by the Authority or its representative, metering and/or monitoring devices to continuously measure and record the flow and constituents of the wastewater so discharged. The customer shall have ninety (90) days from the date of notice to comply with the Company's directive.

9. Privilege to Investigate/Right of Access

The Authority's authorized representatives shall have the right of access at all reasonable times to all parts of any premises connected with the Authority's Collection Mains and/or the Authority's Storm Sewers, including meters, manholes, Laterals and other property owned by it on the premises of the Customer, for the purpose of examining and inspecting connections and fixtures, including the water and/or wastewater metering arrangement, for disconnecting service for any proper cause, or for purposes of replacement, maintenance, operation or repair thereof.

Section C - Discontinuance, Termination and Restoration of  
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1. Customer Responsibilities: After acceptance by the Authority of an application, Customers will remain responsible for paying all future charges for wastewater/sewer/stormwater and water service to their Property until such time as there is:
  - a. A Notice of Intent to Disconnect Service pursuant to a written request being received from the Customer to terminate Customer status and shut off service (for which there is a charge);
  - b. Acceptance of a new Customer for the Property by the Authority ; or
  - c. Discontinuance of service to a vacant Property at the Owner's request.
  - d. Property Owners remain responsible for paying water until the issuance of a Notice of Intent to Disconnect or replacement by a new Property Owner.
  - e. A Guarantor Lessor seeking to terminate its Customer relationship with the Authority must provide proof that it has notified its Guarantee Lessee or Lessees about its intent to discontinue service in writing by first class mail.
  
2. Discontinuance by Customer: Where a customer requests the Authority to discontinue service, the following rules shall apply:
  - a. A customer who wishes to have service discontinued shall give at least seven (7) days' notice to the Authority, specifying the date on which service is desired to be discontinued. Any usage occurring after the seven (7) day notice period will either not be invoiced or will be credited to the account. In the absence of proper notice, the customer shall be responsible for all service rendered until the time that the Authority shall have actual or constructive notice of the customer's intent to discontinue service. The customer shall not turn water on or off at any curb stop, or disconnect or remove the meter, or permit its disconnection or removal, without the prior written consent of the Authority. A customer discontinuing

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service remains a customer for purposes of paying turn-on fees pursuant to Rule 4 of this Section for a period of nine (9) months.

- b. Where a customer requests turn-on of service within six (6) months of disconnection, the customer shall be subject to monthly minimum billing for the period of disconnection. The request for turn-on of service should be mailed to the same address as the disconnection of service request.

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3. Termination by Authority: Service to the customer may be terminated for good cause, including, but not limited to, the following:

- a. making an application for service that contains material misrepresentations;
- b. failure to repair leaks in any lateral or Customer-owned pipes or fixtures;
- c. tampering with any lateral or installing or maintaining cross-connections or any unauthorized connection to any Authority Collection Main or Authority Storm Water Sewer;
- d. Unauthorized Use of Utility Service, which may include taking service without having made a proper application for service under Part III, Section A;
- e. failure to pay, when due, any charges accruing under this tariff;
- f. refusing the Authority reasonable access to the property served for purposes of installing, inspecting, reading, maintaining or removing meters, remote reading devices or any associated equipment;
- g. receipt by the Authority of an order or notice from the Department of Environmental Protection, a health agency, local plumbing inspector or other similar

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authority, to terminate service to the property served on the grounds of violation of any law or ordinance, or upon notice to the Authority from any such authority that it has ordered an existing violation on the property to be corrected and that such order has not been complied with or

- h. material violation of any provisions of this tariff.
- i. Whenever two or more Properties receive service from a single main connection, and one or more of the Customers becomes delinquent or permits wastewater to flow unnecessarily or leak from any pipe, fixture, or appliance, the Authority will send a notice of termination to all the commonly supplied Premises. The Authority will not terminate service to the commonly supplied premises. (C)
- j. Notice of termination shall be in the form required by the Commission and shall be provided as follows:
  - i. to Customers at least 10 days prior to the scheduled shut off;
  - ii. to Customers who are Owners with Tenants at least 37 days prior to the scheduled shut off;
  - iii. to Protected-Tenants by posting a notice of termination on the Premises at least 30 days prior to the scheduled shut off;
  - iv. to Customers who permit wastewater to flow unnecessarily, as described in the Wastewater Tariff and the Supplemental Service Conditions, upon 24 hours' notice or, if the resulting condition threatens injury to persons or damage to property, immediately; and
  - v. by telephone call to the telephone number on file with the Authority; by electronic mail to an e-mail address on file with the Authority but only if the customer's express written consent to accept electronic service has been received by the Authority; or, if neither of these methods is available or effective or the

electronic notice is returned as undeliverable, by personal contact or posting a notice of termination on the Premises 3 days prior to the termination of service.

- k. The Authority will not terminate service to a premises when a customer has submitted a valid medical certificate signed by a licensed physician, nurse practitioner or physician's assistant certifying that a customer or member of the customer's household is seriously ill or has been diagnosed with a medical condition which requires the continuation of service to treat the medical condition consistent with 66 Pa.C.S. §§1403 and 1406(f).

The Authority reserves the right to deny wastewater service for violation of any provision of these Rules and Regulations, subject to PUC rules and regulations.

4. Turn-on Charge: Whenever service is discontinued or terminated pursuant to Paragraph C.2 or C.3 of this Section, service shall be turned on by the Authority only upon the payment by the customer of a turn-on charge pursuant to Part I, Section E and the resolution of the problem that gave rise to the termination if under Paragraph C.3. The turn-on charge will be waived until November 18, 2022.

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Section E - Billing and Collection

1. Issuance of Bills: The Authority will bill each customer within fifteen (15) days of the last day of each billing period.
2. Billing Due Date: The due date for payment of a bill for nonresidential service shall be no less than fifteen (15) days from the date of transmittal. The due date for payment of a bill for residential service shall be no less than twenty (20) days from the date of transmittal. If the last day for payment falls on a Saturday, Sunday or bank holiday, or on any day when the offices of the Authority are not open to the general public, the due date shall be extended to the next business day. The Authority may not impose a late-payment charge unless payment is received more than five (5) days after the stated due date.
3. Late Payment Charge: All amounts not paid when due shall accrue a late payment charge at the rate of 0.83 percent per billing period, not to exceed ten percent (10%) per year when not paid as prescribed in Rule 2 of this Section.
4. Change in Billing Address: Where a customer fails to notify the Authority of a change in billing address, the customer shall remain responsible to remit payment by the billing due date.
5. Application of Payment: Utility bills rendered by the Authority shall include only the amount due for wastewater conveyance service. Where a customer remittance to the Authority includes payment for any non-utility services, proceeds will be applied first to pay all outstanding regulated utility charges. For customers receiving any combination of water, wastewater, and stormwater services, any partial remittance will be applied in the following order: water wastewater bill and stormwater charges. (C)
6. Return Check Charges: The customer will be responsible for the payment of a charge for each time a check presented to the Authority for payment on that customer's utility bill is returned by the payor bank for any reason including, but not limited to, insufficient funds, account closed, payment stopped, two signatures required, post-dated, stale date, (C)

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account garnished, or unauthorized signature. This charge is in addition to any charge which may be assessed against the customer by the bank with interest. Interest shall be calculated at the applicable rate for late payment charges.

7. Disputed Bills: In the event of a dispute between the customer and the Authority with respect to any bill, the Authority will promptly make such investigation as may be required by the particular case and report the result to the customer. The customer is not obligated to pay the disputed portion of the bill during the pendency of the Authority's investigation. When the Authority has made a report to the customer sustaining the bill as rendered, the customer shall have fifteen (15) days from the date of such report in which to pay the bill. If the Authority determines that the bill originally rendered is incorrect, the Authority will issue a corrected bill with a new due date for payment. Any amounts received by the Authority in excess of the amount determined to be due by the Authority's investigation of the dispute shall be refunded to the customer with interest computed at 1.5% per month.
  
8. Abatement of Minimum Consumption Charges: When Premises are completely vacant, the Customer has provided the Authority with a Vacancy Affidavit, and the water supply has been shut off at the Curb Stop, no minimum charges for wastewater conveyance under Part I, Section A.1 will be assessed during the period of vacancy. Upon restoration of the water service to the Premises, or upon detection of water usage and/or wastewater flows from the Premises to the Authority's Collection Main, applicable charges will be assessed under this tariff.



Section F - Deposits

1. General: The Authority may require a deposit or a guarantee of payment as a condition to providing service to an applicant in accordance with this Tariff and the Commission's Rules.
  2. Residential Customers:
    - a. New Applicants -- The Authority will provide service without requiring a deposit unless the applicant was terminated for nonpayment within the prior twelve (12) months or has an unpaid balance for prior service from the Authority. The amount of the deposit will not be greater than an estimated average bill for one (1) billing period plus the estimated bill for one (1) additional month's service.
    - b. Existing Customers -- If a customer has paid late on two (2) consecutive occasions or a total of three (3) times within the prior 12-month period, the Authority may send a letter informing the customer that a deposit may be required if another late payment is received within the next twelve (12) months. An existing customer may be required to pay a deposit as a condition to having service restored after termination for non-payment or for failure to comply with a payment agreement. The amount of the deposit will not be greater than an estimated average bill for one (1) billing period plus the estimated bill for one (1) additional month's service.
    - c. Deposit Refunds and Interest -- A deposit will be refunded if service is discontinued and the final bill is paid or if the customer has paid the bills for the prior 12-month period without having been late on more than two (2) occasions and is not currently delinquent. Deposits from residential customers shall bear simple interest at the simple annual interest rate determined by the Secretary of Revenue for interest on the underpayment of tax. The applicable interest rate shall become effective on January 1 of each year. The Customer may elect to have a deposit applied to reduce bills for service or to receive a refund.
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- d. Consistent with 66 Pa.C.S. § 1404(a.1), no cash deposit will be required of a customer or applicant confirmed to be eligible for the Bill Discount Program pursuant to Rider BDP.

3. Nonresidential Customers:

- a. New Applicants -- A deposit may be required from any new applicant who does not have prior satisfactory credit history with the Authority. The amount of the deposit will not be greater than an estimated average bill for one (1) billing period plus the estimated bill for one (1) additional month's service.
- b. Existing Customers -- Deposit requirements for existing nonresidential customers shall be as established for residential customers in Rule 1 of this Section.
- c. Deposit Refunds and Interest -- A deposit will be refunded if the customer pays all bills on time over a 12-month period or if service is disconnected and the final bill has been paid. There will be no interest paid on deposits for nonresidential accounts.



4. The Authority may, in its exercise of its sole discretion, require the Main Extension Applicant reimburse the Authority for reasonable and necessary expenses the Authority incurred as a result of the extension. 53 Pa.C.S. § 5607(d) (30).
5. Consistent with 53 Pa.C.S. § 5607(d) (30), where the Authority's system is to be extended at the expense of the owner of properties or where the authority otherwise would construct customer facilities (other than water meter installation), a Main Extension Applicant shall have the right to construct the extension or install the customer facilities himself or through a subcontractor approved by the authority, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Authority shall have the right, at its option, to perform the construction itself only if the Authority provides the extension or customer facilities at a lower cost and within the same timetable specified or proposed by the property owner or his approved subcontractor. Construction by the Line Extension Applicant shall be in accordance with an agreement for the extension of the Authority's system and plans and specifications approved by the authority and shall be undertaken only pursuant to the existing regulations, requirements, rules and standards of the authority applicable to such construction. Construction shall be subject to inspection by an inspector authorized to approve similar construction and employed by the Authority during construction. When a main is to be extended at the expense of the Main Extension Applicant, the Line Extension Applicant may be required to deposit with the Authority, in advance of construction, the Authority's estimated reasonable and necessary cost of reviewing plans, construction inspections, administrative, legal and engineering services.
6. Upon completion of construction, the Main Extension Applicant shall dedicate and the authority shall accept the extension of the authority's system if dedication of facilities and the installation complies with the plans, specifications, regulations of the authority and the agreement. 53 Pa.C.S. § 5607(d) (30).
7. Where a Main Extension Applicant constructs or causes to be constructed at his expense any extension of a sewer or water system of an authority, the Authority shall provide

for the reimbursement to the Main Extension Applicant when  
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of another property not in the development for which the extension was constructed connects a service line directly to the extension within ten years of the date of the dedication of the extension to the authority in accordance with 53 Pa.C.S. § 5607(d) (31).

8. The Authority may charge the cost of construction of a sewer or water main constructed by the Authority against the properties benefited, improved or accommodated by the construction in accordance with 53 Pa.C.S. § 5607(d) (21), (22).

The rates, fees and charges under Part III, Section G of this tariff are subject to review and revision in PWSA's Compliance Plan proceeding at Docket Nos. M-2018-2640802 and M-2018-2640803.

Section H - Reserved

Section I - Service Continuity

1. Regularity of Service: The Authority may, at any time, interrupt service in case of accident or for the purpose of making connections, alterations, repairs or changes, or for other reasons. The Authority will, pursuant to Commission regulations at 52 Pa. Code § 67.1 and as circumstances permit, notify customers to be affected by service interruptions. The Authority reserves the right to restrict the use of wastewater convenience service whenever the public welfare may require it.
  
2. Liability for Service Interruptions:
  - a. Limitation of Damages: The Authority's liability to a customer for any loss or damage from any excess or deficiency in the wastewater collection service due to any cause other than willful misconduct or negligence by the Authority, its employees or agents shall be limited to an amount no more than the customer charge or minimum bill for the period in question. The Authority will undertake to use reasonable care and diligence in order to prevent and avoid interruptions in service, but cannot and does not guarantee that such will not occur.
  
  - b. Responsibility for Customer Facilities: The Authority shall not be liable for any loss or damage caused by reason of any breaks, leaks, stoppages or other defects in a building service line, pipes, joints, fixtures or other installations except where the expense or damage is a result of the negligence or willful misconduct of the Authority, its employees or agents.

Section J - Waivers

The Authority may, at its sole discretion, waive any of the Rules contained herein that operate for the benefit of the Authority; provided, that no such waiver will be valid unless in writing and signed by an authorized representative of the Authority, and provided that no waiver will be allowed where the waiver would constitute a violation of the Public Utility Code, the regulations of the Commission or of any other applicable statute, law or regulation.

Section K - Amendment of Commission Regulations

Whenever Commission regulations in Title 52 of the Pennsylvania Code are duly amended in such a way as would produce a difference between them and this tariff, this tariff is deemed to be amended so as to be consistent with the amendments to the regulations, except that if application of the amendment to Title 52 is discretionary, this tariff will remain unchanged.



Section L - Prohibited conduct

1. No Person shall:
  - a. Damage, injure or displace, by willful, careless or negligent act, any Sanitary Sewer, Combined Sewer, or Storm Sewer operated and maintained by the Authority, or any portion or component thereof, or anything else pertaining to the Authority's Sewer System.
  - b. Throw, discard, discharge, or otherwise place or allow to flow or enter into the water of any fountain, pond, lake, stream, or other body of water in or adjacent to any park or any tributary, stream, Storm Sewer or drain flowing into such waters, any hazardous materials or other substances that the person knows or should know will result in pollution of the water.
  - c. Open, remove or in any way disturb or tamper with the lid, grate, or cover of any manhole, Inlet, or catch basin that is a part of the Authority's Sewer System.
2. No Person shall discharge or permit the discharge or infiltration of any of the following substances into any Authority sewer:
  - a. mineral acids, waste acid, pickling or plating of liquors from the pickling or plating of iron, steel, brass, copper, or chromium, or any other dissolved or solid substances, in such amounts that shall endanger health or safety, interfere with the flow in sewers, attack or corrode sewers, or otherwise interfere with the operation of the Sewer System or ALCOSAN;
  - b. cyanides or cyanogen compounds capable of liberating hydrocyanic gas on acidification
  - c. gas tar, phenols in concentrations greater than 60 parts per million, residues from petroleum storage, refining or processing, excess fuel or lubricating oil, gasoline, naphtha, benzene, or explosive, flammable liquids, solids, or gases;

- d. ashes, cinders, sand, mud, lime, or acetylene sludges, straw, shavings, metals, glass, rags, feathers, tar, plastics, wood, sawdust, paunch manure, hair, hides, dead animals, spent mash and grain, pulp from food processing, water or wastes containing excess grease, cement or cementitious materials, or any other solid, semi-solid, or viscous substances capable of causing obstruction to the flow In sewers or other Interference With the proper operation of the Authority's or ALCOSAN's facilities;
  - i. the combined concentration of oil and grease shall not exceed 200 parts per million;
- e. sludges or other materials from septic tanks or similar facilities or from sewage or industrial waste treatment plants or from water treatment plants, unless the discharge of such sludges and other materials as permitted by existing permits, regulations, code, or orders of the Authority, the City, the Health Department, ALCOSAN, or the Commonwealth;
- f. garbage, whether ground or not, except properly shredded garbage In a private Dwelling Unit, hotel, commercial restaurant, or retail food store resulting from the proper use of a garbage grinder or disposer of a type approved by the City, the Health Department, or ALCOSAN and maintained in good operating condition;
- g. water or wastes having a pH lower than 5.0 or higher than 10.0 or having any other corrosive property capable of causing damage or hazard to structures, equipment, or individuals;
- h. any industrial, commercial, or medical waste or discharge that violates Categorical or General Pretreatment Standards as established by authorized agencies of the federal government or of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or which violates specific ALCOSAN discharge standards;
- i. any waste that exceeds the naturally occurring background levels for alpha, beta, or gamma radiation or any Wastewater containing any radioactive wastes or

Isotopes of half-life or concentration not In compliance with applicable federal or state regulations;

- j. any wastes that are defined or listed as hazardous under the laws and regulations of the federal government or the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; or
- k. any noxious or malodorous liquids, gases, or solids that either singly or in combination with other wastes may create a public nuisance or adversely affect public health or safety.

3. Penalties and damages:

- a. In the event of any damage to the Authority's Collection Mains or the Authority's Storm Water Sewers caused by a customer, such damage shall be immediately reported to the Authority and said customer shall reimburse the Authority for the costs of repairs.
- b. The Authority will refer to the City for prosecution as a summary offense any violation of section L.1 or L.2 above. Any Person who is found to have violated any of these provisions shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of \$300.00 for each offense, recoverable with costs, and in default of payment of the fine and costs, shall be subject to imprisonment for a period not exceeding 30 days. Each day that a violation is continued shall constitute a separate offense. If the offender is a partnership or association, the penalty may be imposed upon the partners or members thereof. If the offender is a corporation, the penalty may be Imposed upon the officers thereof.
- c. Any Person who willfully or negligently discharges or permits the discharge into an Authority sewer of any substance prohibited by section L.2 shall be responsible for the containment, clean up, abatement, removal, and disposal of any pollutant or obstructing substance or material discharged into the Sewer System. The Authority shall give notice to such Person that a violation has occurred and shall require such Person to immediately contain, clean up, abate,

remove, and dispose of the discharge. Such notice shall be sufficient if hand delivered or mailed to the Person at the person's last known address.

- d. If a Person notified under section L.3.c fails to comply with the notice, the Authority may perform the containment, clean up, abatement, removal, and disposal of the discharge. Costs incurred by the Authority In such activities shall be charged to the Person notified.
- e. When the Authority determines that a discharge to the Sewer System in violation of this section has caused an imminent threat to human health or the environment, the Authority may contain, clean up, abate, remove, and dispose of any such discharge without prior notice. Costs incurred in such activities shall be charged to the Person who has violated this section L.

In addition, if there is a discharge of an explosive or flammable material or any other material which is highly toxic or creates a toxic gas so that there is imminent danger to the personnel or property of the Authority or treatment process of ALCOSAN, or to the public or the environment, then the Authority shall take whatever action is necessary to halt service and to protect the life and property.

- f. When the Authority charges its costs to a Person under this section L.3.2, L.3.c, or L.3.e, such charges shall be due within 30 days of the date the bill is rendered. If the charges remain unpaid more than 30 days after the date the bill is rendered, a lien In the amount of the bill shall be recorded against the property causing the discharge.
- g. The penalties and remedies contained in this section L shall be cumulative, not exclusive. Further, the penalties and remedies contained herein shall be in addition to any other penalties or remedies available under federal, state, or local laws, regulations or ordinances.

4. No Owner or Occupant of any real property fronting a street shall fail to keep the street gutters open and clear of refuse, debris, snow, and ice, so as to prevent an obstruction of the street gutters.

#### Section M - Termination of Sewer Laterals

1. An Owner of a Small Residential Development, as determined by the Authority, intending to terminate a Sewer Lateral connection to the property must complete a Tap Termination Permit Application, which may be obtained from the Authority's permit counter or by calling 412-255-2443. Tap termination drawings are required only if the applicant proposes to terminate three or more taps or the termination involves more than one Dwelling Unit. The applicant must pay the termination fee to the Authority before commencing the termination work. Upon request, Authority permit counter staff will provide the applicant with the appropriate standard details for terminations.
2. Requirements for termination of Sewer Lateral connections to properties other than Small Residential Developments can be found in the Procedures Manual for Developers.
3. The applicant for a sewer Lateral termination permit must notify the Authority three business days in advance of the termination date to permit an Authority inspector to be on site during the termination. Notice should be given to the Sewer/Service section at 412-231-0891 or 412-231-0892.
4. If the applicant chooses to terminate the connection using trenchless technology or other Authority approved technics, then the applicant must conduct closed-circuit televised video ("CCTV") inspections of the pipe before and after the termination. Copies of the videos must be submitted to the Authority. All CCTV Inspections must comply with current Authority standards.
5. Removal of those portions of abandoned or unused Sewer Laterals owned by the property Owner, as provided in Part III, section B of these Rules and Regulations, is the responsibility of the property Owner. Absent the written agreement of the Authority to the contrary, should the Authority remove an Owner's abandoned Sewer Laterals, the cost of their removal shall be a lien upon the property.

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PART IV: Compliance Statements

Section A - Sales of real property and City Lien Verification Letters

A request to the City for a City Lien Verification Letter must be accompanied by:

- a. a valid Evidence of Compliance Statement; or
- b. a valid Temporary Evidence of Compliance Statement.

Section B - Applications for Evidence of Compliance Statement

1. Any Person selling real property located within the City shall apply to the Authority for an Evidence of Compliance Statement at least 14 days in advance of the date of closing and shall pay the required application fee. The application for an Evidence of Compliance Statement may be found at [www.pgh2o.com/dyetest.htm](http://www.pgh2o.com/dyetest.htm) or by calling 412-255-0801.
2. If the Authority determines that the real property is served by a Combined Sewer, the Authority shall issue a certified Evidence of Compliance Statement within 7 business days of the Authority's receipt of the properly completed application therefor.
3. If the Authority determines that the real property is served by a Sanitary Sewer, then within 7 business days of its receipt of the properly completed application for an Evidence Of Compliance Statement, the Authority shall notify the applicant that a Dye Test is required and provide the applicant with a Dye Testing Results Form.

Section C - Sales of vacant, undeveloped property

1. Where the real property proposed for sale is vacant property upon which no buildings or structures exist, the applicant for an Evidence of Compliance Statement shall so indicate and, within 7 business days of receipt of the application, the Authority shall conduct a visual inspection of the property to verify that there are no Illegal Surface Storm Water Connections.
2. If the Authority verifies upon visual inspection that there are no Illegal Surface Storm Water Connections on the property, the Authority shall issue an Evidence of Compliance Statement within 3 business days of the visual inspection.
3. If the Authority determines upon visual inspection that there are possible Illegal Surface Storm Water Connections on the property, then within 3 business days of the visual inspection, the Authority shall notify the applicant by Issuance of a letter that a Dye Test is required as provided under section E of this Part.

Section D - Intended demolition of buildings and structures

1. If the buyer of real property located within a portion of the City served by Sanitary Sewers intends to demolish all existing buildings and/or structures on the property, the application for the Evidence of Compliance Statement shall so indicate.
2. The Authority shall Issue an Evidence of Compliance Statement to the Person buying the real property within 7 business days of the Authority's receipt of the appropriately completed application for Evidence of Compliance Statement and a sworn affidavit from the buyer acknowledging that if all buildings and structures on the property are not demolished within 1 year of the date of closing, that the Evidence of Compliance Statement will be null and void and the Person must conduct a Dye Test of the property in accordance with section E of this Part.

Section E - Dye testing

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1. Except for visual inspection requests for vacant properties containing no buildings or structures pursuant to section C or this Part, and sales that are exempt under the Dye Testing Ordinance, any Person selling real property located within the City shall have a Registered Plumber perform a Dye Test on the property to be sold.
2. Upon completion of the Dye Test, the Registered Plumber shall complete the Dye Testing Results Form confirming that the dye testing has been completed and certifying the results of the Dye Test.
3. If the Registered Plumber certifies that there are no illegal Surface Storm Water Connections on the property to be sold, the Authority shall issue a certified Evidence of Compliance Statement within 7 business days of the Authority's receipt of the properly completed Dye Test Results Form.
4. If the Dye Test reveals the existence of an illegal Surface Storm Water Connection, the Registered Plumber shall certify that there is an Illegal Surface Storm Water Connection on the real property.
5. If one or more illegal Surface Storm Water Connections exist on the real property, the Authority will not issue an Evidence of Compliance Statement until the connection or connections have been disconnected or removed as required by Part VI, section E and the disconnection and removal has been certified by a Registered Plumber.
6. The Authority shall issue a certified Evidence of Compliance Statement within 7 business days of the Authority's receipt of:
  - a. a properly completed statement by a Registered Plumber describing and certifying the disconnection and removal of the Illegal Surface Storm Water Connection; or
  - b. verification that the real property in question is not located in an area served by Sanitary Sewers.

7. A certified Evidence of Compliance Statement shall be valid for 3 years following the date of its Issuance. If any additions are made to the property within the 3 year period, certification that the addition has no Illegal Storm Water Connections shall be provided to the Authority by a Registered Plumber. Provided, however, that if the Evidence of Compliance Statement is issued because the property in question is served by a Combination Sewer, and the public sewers serving the property are divided into separate Sanitary Sewers and Storm Sewers within the 3-year period, then the Evidence of Compliance Statement will automatically expire.

Section F - Application for Temporary Evidence of Compliance Statement due to inclement weather

1. In the event that weather conditions or other factors do not permit a Dye Test to be done in a timely manner, the sellers and the buyers of the real property may submit a signed agreement promising that dye testing will be completed as soon as conditions permit. The agreement must provide that the buyer of the real property will be responsible for the performance of the Dye Test.
2. An Application for a Temporary Evidence of Compliance Statement must be accompanied by the agreement and by a \$1,000.00 security deposit in the form of cash, certified check, or cashier's check to guarantee that the Dye Test will be completed. The security deposit will be returned to the applicant after a Registered Plumber certifies that the Dye Test has been completed.
3. Once conditions permit the performance of the Dye Test, the test shall be performed, the results certified, and the Evidence of Compliance Statement Issued as provided in section E of this Part.

Section G - Application for Temporary Evidence of Compliance  
Statement with present illegal Surface Storm Water Connection:

1. In the event an Illegal Surface Storm Water Connection Is discovered during the performance of a Dye Test or otherwise, and the necessary remediation of the condition would require a length of time to perform such that it would create an undue hardship on the applicant to perform prior to the date of closing on the sale of the real property, the applicant may apply to the Authority for a Temporary Evidence of Compliance Statement, which must be accompanied by the following:
  - a. a bona fide, executed agreement between the applicant and a Registered Plumber requiring the Registered Plumber to complete the necessary remedial work to correct and/or disconnect and remove the Illegal Surface Storm Water Connection, and granting the Authority the right and power to enforce the contract as a third-party beneficiary;
  - b. a security deposit in the form of cash, a certified check, or a cashier's check in the amount of 120 percent of the contract described in section C.1.a above, which will be held by the Authority in a non-interest bearing account and returned to the applicant upon the Authority's receipt of a properly completed statement by a Registered Plumber describing and certifying the disconnection and removal of the Illegal Surface Storm Water Connection; and
  - c. a written acknowledgement and notarized agreement in which the buyer agrees to be responsible for all .cost overruns related to the remedial work, together with the grant to the Authority of a license to enter upon the property to complete the work at the expense and cost of the buyer should the contractor or the applicant default on the agreement.
2. Should the Authority issue a Temporary Evidence of Compliance Statement, It will be effective for no more than 60 days. The expiration date of the Temporary Evidence of Compliance Statement will be clearly noted on the Statement.

3. Remediation of the Illegal Surface Storm Water Connections shall proceed as required by sections E and F of this Part.
4. If, upon the expiration of the Temporary Evidence of Compliance Statement, the Authority has not received certification from a Registered Plumber that the Illegal Surface Storm Water Connection has been remedied, then the Authority may use the cash security, or a portion of the cash security, to have the required remedial work completed. Any balance remaining in the security deposit will be returned to the buyer. Any additional cost of the remedial work, in excess of the security deposit, will be the sole and exclusive responsibility of the buyer and will constitute a lien against the property.

#### Section H - Rejection of applications

1. The Authority may reject an application for an Evidence of Compliance Statement or a Temporary Evidence of Compliance Statement whenever the requirements of the Dye Testing Ordinance or of these Rules and Regulations have not been met.
2. In rejecting the application for an Evidence of Compliance Statement or Temporary Evidence of Compliance Statement, the Authority shall specify the nature of the deficiency and what action or actions must be taken to comply with the requirements of the Dye Testing Ordinance and/or these Rules and Regulations.
3. In the event of such a rejection, the applicant may file an appeal as set forth in section H of this Part.

Section I - Application appeals

1. Any applicant or person aggrieved by a decision of the Authority rejecting an application for an Evidence of Compliance Statement or a Temporary Evidence of Compliance Statement shall have the right to appeal to the Authority Board of Directors, provided that a written application for an appeal is made within 30 days of the date of the Authority's rejection. Appeals shall be made in writing and sent by certified mail to the Authority, to the attention of the Executive Director.
2. Any appeal made under this section shall state with specificity the reason(s) why the applicant is appealing the rejection and shall provide sufficient factual information and documentation, including a statement by a Registered Plumber or professional engineer, to support the appellant's position that the Evidence of Compliance Statement or the Temporary Evidence of Compliance Statement should have been issued by the Authority.

Section J - Fees

1. All applications for an Evidence of Compliance Statement or Temporary Evidence of Compliance Statement or for visual inspection by the Authority shall be accompanied by the appropriate application fee set from time to time by the Authority. No application shall be processed by the Authority if it is not accompanied by the applicable fee.
2. Fees for applications for Evidence or Temporary Evidence of Compliance are set forth in Part I, Section H of this tariff.

PART V: SURCHARGES

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT CHARGE (DSIC)

In addition to the net charges provided for in this Tariff, a charge of 5.0% will apply consistent with the Commission Order dated December 3, 2020 at Docket No. P-2020-3019019, approving the DSIC. (I)

1. General Description

- a. Purpose: To recover the reasonable and prudent costs incurred to repair, improve, or replace eligible property which is completed and placed in service and recorded in the individual accounts, as noted below, between base rate cases and to provide the Utility with the resources to accelerate the replacement of aging infrastructure, to comply with evolving regulatory requirements and to develop and implement solutions to regional supply problems.

The costs of extending facilities to serve new customers are not recoverable through the DSIC.

- b. Eligible Property: The DSIC-eligible property will consist of the following:
- Collection sewers, collecting mains and service laterals, including sewer taps, curb stops and lateral cleanouts installed as in-kind replacements for customers; Accounts (360, 361 and 363)
  - Collection mains and valves for gravity and pressure systems and related facilities such as manholes, grinder pumps, air and vacuum release chambers, cleanouts, main line flow meters, valve vaults and lift stations installed as replacements or upgrades for existing facilities that have worn out, are in deteriorated condition or are required to be upgraded by law, regulation or order; Accounts (360, 361, 364 and 365)

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- Collection main extensions installed to implement solutions to wastewater problems that present a significant health and safety concern for customers currently receiving service from the wastewater utility; Accounts (360, 361 and 363)
  - Collection main rehabilitation including inflow and infiltration projects; Accounts (360, 361 and 363)
  - Unreimbursed costs related to highway relocation projects where a wastewater utility must relocate its facilities; and
  - Other related capitalized costs.
- c. Effective Date: The DSIC will become effective upon one (1) day notice after submission of a compliance tariff in compliance with a Commission order.

2. Computation of the DSIC

- a. Calculation: The DSIC shall be calculated to recover the fixed costs of eligible plant additions that have not previously been reflected in the Authority's rates and have been or are projected to be placed in service in the calendar year in which the DSIC is charged. The DSIC charge shall be levelized so that, on an annual basis, it will collect the recoverable costs for eligible plant additions that have been or are anticipated to be placed in service during the calendar year. DSIC charges shall be reconciled and may be adjusted on a calendar quarter basis for: 1) actual experienced sales volumes; and 2) revisions to projected DSIC eligible capital expenditures.

The dates and types of changes in the DSIC rate will occur as follows:

Effective Date of Change	Date to which DSIC-Eligible Plant Additions Reflected	
April 1	Annual levelized C-factor rate adjustments	
July 1	Optional rate adjustment for +/- 2% over/under collection	(C)
October 1	Rate adjustment for +/- 2% over/under collection	(C)
January 1	Optional rate adjustment for +/- 2% over/under collection	(C)

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- b. Recoverable Costs: The recoverable costs shall be amounts reasonably expended or incurred to purchase and install eligible property and associated financing costs, if any, including debt service, debt service coverage, and issuance costs.
- c. Application of DSIC: The DSIC will be expressed as a percentage carried to two decimal places and will be applied to the total amount billed to each customer for wastewater service under the Authority's otherwise applicable rates and charges. To calculate the DSIC, one-fourth of the annual recoverable costs associated with all property eligible for cost recovery under the DSIC will be divided by the Authority's projected revenue for wastewater services (including all applicable clauses and riders) for the quarterly period during which the charge will be collected. (C)
- d. Formula: The formula for calculation of the DSIC is as follows: (C)

$$\text{DSIC} = \frac{\text{DSI} + e}{\text{PQR}}$$

Where:

- DSI = Recoverable costs (defined in Section B. directly above)
- e = the amount calculated under the annual reconciliation feature or Commission audit, as described below.
- PQR = Projected quarterly revenues for distribution service (including all applicable clauses and riders) including any revenue from existing customers plus netted revenue from any customers which will be gained or lost by the beginning of the applicable service period.

3. Quarterly Updates: Supporting data for each quarterly update will be filed with the Commission and served upon the Commission's Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement, the Office of Consumer Advocate, and the Office of Small Business Advocate at least ten (10) days prior to the effective date of the update.

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4. Customer Safeguards

- a. Cap: The DSIC is capped at 5.0% of the amount billed to customers for distribution service (including all applicable clauses and riders), inclusive of amounts billed for annual reconciliation pursuant to the "e" factor set forth above, as determined on an annualized basis
- b. Audit/Reconciliation: The DSIC is subject to audit at intervals determined by the Commission. Any cost determined by the Commission not to comply with any provision of 66 Pa C.S. §§ 1350, et seq., shall be credited to customer accounts. The DSIC is subject to annual reconciliation based on a reconciliation period consisting of the twelve months ending December 31 of each year. The revenue received under the DSIC for the reconciliation period will be compared to the Authority's eligible costs for that period. The difference between revenue and costs will be recouped or refunded, as appropriate, in accordance with Section 1307(e), over a one-year period commencing on April 1 of each year. If DSIC revenues exceed DSIC-eligible costs, such over-collections will be refunded with interest. Interest on over-collections and credits will be calculated at the residential mortgage lending specified by the Secretary of Banking in accordance with the Loan Interest and Protection Law (41 P.S. §§ 101, et seq.) and will be refunded in the same manner as an over-collection.
- c. Customer Notice: Customers shall be notified of changes in the DSIC by including appropriate information on the first bill they receive following any change. An explanatory bill insert shall also be included with the first billing.
- d. All customer classes: The DSIC shall be applied equally to all customer classes.

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