

March 2, 2023

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Hon. Carmen Diaz, Acting Secretary **Board of Public Utilities** 44 South Clinton Ave., 1st Fl. P.O. Box 350 Trenton, NJ 08625-0350

Re: I/M/O the Petition of New Jersey American Water Company, Inc. for Approval of a Municipal Consent Granted by the Township of Chester, **Morris County**

BPU Docket No. WE22100619

Dear Acting Secretary Diaz:

Enclosed herewith is the Public Notice in the above referenced matter for the public hearing scheduled to take place on March 8, 2023, as well as the affidavit of publication.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Stephen R. Bishop

Deputy General Counsel

SRB:dlc

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Service list (via email, w/enc.) cc:



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NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF TOWNSHIP OF CHESTER AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES OF MUNICIPAL CONSENT HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF NEW JERSEY-AMERICAN WATER

COMPANY, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF A MUNICIPAL CONSENT GRANTED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF CHESTER, MORRIS COUNTY

BPU DOCKET NO. WE22100619

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on October 26, 2022, New Jersey-American Water Company, Inc. ("NJAWC") filed a petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") pursuant to pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-14 and N.J.A.C. 14:1-5.5, and such other applicable regulations and statutes, to approve a municipal consent ordinance ("Ordinance 2022-13") granted to NJAWC by the Township of Chester ("Township").

Ordinance 2022-13 was adopted by the Township on August 16, 2022, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:3-11 to 15, N.J.S.A. 48:19-17 and N.J.S.A. 48:19-20 granting municipal consent to NJAWC to construct, lay, maintain and operate the necessary water mains, pipes and appurtenances to extend its water service to furnish potable water to the Bragg & Dickerson Elementary Schools, part of the Chester School District in the Township.

NO INCREASE IN RATES WILL RESULT FROM THE PETITION. If the petition is approved, the Chester School District will pay general metered service tariff rates under Rate Schedule A-1 for all water service provided by NJAWC including a 4" monthly meter charge of \$496.30, and a volumetric rate of \$7.7752 per 1,000 gallons of water.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a telephonic hearing on the petition has been scheduled for March 8, 2023 at 10:00 a.m., which will be presided over by a hearing officer designated by the Board. Members of the public are invited to listen to the hearing and express their views on the petition by dialing 1-862-294-2638 and entering the conference ID: 162 183 88# or joining via video conference by going to https://bit.ly/3xb6hcz via the internet at the designated time. Such comments will be made a part of the final record in the proceeding.

While all comments will be given equal consideration and will be made part of the final record of this proceeding, the preferred method of transmittal is via the Board's Public Document Search tool. Search for the docket number listed above, and post by utilizing the "Post Comments" button. Emailed comments may also be filed with the Secretary of the Board, in pdf or Word format, to board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov. Written comments may also be submitted to the attention of the Honorable Carmen D. Diaz, Acting Secretary of the Board of Public Utilities, 44 South Clinton Avenue, 1st Floor, P.O. Box 350, Trenton, NJ 08625-0350, or via email to bo ard.secretary@bpu.nj.gov. Persons submitting written comments should include Docket No. WE22100619 in their submissions.

Copies of the petition are available for inspection at the offices of NJAWC located at 1 Water Street, Camden, New Jersey 08102, or on NJAWC's website at www.newjerseyamwat er.com. Copies may also be obtained by calling NJAWC at 856-955-4001. Further information and copies of the petition may also be obtained at the Board's Offices located at 44 South Clinton Avenue, 1st Floor, Trenton, NJ 08625-0350. Any members of the public who wish to inspect the petition at the Board should contact the Board's Division of Case Management at (609) 913-6298 or board.secretary@bpu.nj.g ov.

A copy of this Notice is being served upon the Clerk of the Township of Chester.

In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for special accommodation at least 72 hours prior to the hearing to Denise Free, Sr. Director of Communications and External Affairs for NJAWC at (856) 955-4874, or denise.free@amwater.c om.

NEW JERSEY-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC. 1 Water Street Camden, NJ 08102

By: Mark McDonough, President 2/14/2023 \$323.96



February 13, 2023

VIA REGULAR MAIL

Robin Collins, Township Administrator & Clerk Chester Township 1 Parker Road Chester, NJ 07930

Ann F. Grossi, Esq., County Clerk Morris County Hall of Records Administration Building 10 Court Street P O Box 315 Morristown, NJ 07963-0315

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-32.2 enclosed herewith for service upon you is the Notice of Municipal Consent Hearing in the referenced matter.

Please note the following date and time of the virtual public hearing at which members of the public are invited to attend and express their views on the Company's petition:

March 8, 2023 at 10 AM

By phone: By video conference: Call in number: 862-294-2638 https://bit.ly/3xb6hcz

Meeting ID: 162 183 88#

Additional details and further instructions for submitting written comments can be found on the enclosed Public Notice and posted on the Company's website at https://www.amwater.com/njaw/.

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cc: Carmen Diaz, Acting Secretary of the BPU (via email)

Pamela Owen, DAG, Department of Law & Public Safety (via email) Brian O. Lipman, Director, Division of Rate Counsel (via email)

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