# PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILTY COMMISSION Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Public Meeting held March 27, 2025

## **Commissioners Present:**

Stephen M. DeFrank, Chairman Kimberly Barrow, Vice Chair Kathryn L. Zerfuss John F. Coleman, Jr. Ralph V. Yanora

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission : R-2024-3049248
Office of Consumer Advocate : C-2024-3049646
Office of Small Business Advocate : C-2024-3049713

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City of Lock Haven Water Department :

Petition of the City of Lock Haven Water : P-2024-3049249

Department for Authorization to :

Implement a PENNVEST Surcharge :

## **ORDER**

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

We adopt as our action the Recommended Decision of Administrative Law Judge John M. Coogan dated February 18, 2025;

### THEREFORE,

#### IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That the Joint Stipulation of Facts contained in the Joint Petition for Settlement filed on January 15, 2025 be approved and adopted, noting the two recommended modifications to the Joint Petition for Settlement described herein.
- 2. That the City of Lock Haven Water Department not place into effect the rates contained in Supplement No. 23 to Tariff Water-Pa. P.U.C. No. 1.
- 3. That the Joint Petition for Settlement filed on January 15, 2025, by the City of Lock Haven Water Department, the Commission's Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement, the Pennsylvania Office of Consumer Advocate, and the Pennsylvania Office of Small Business Advocate be approved and adopted with the modifications described herein.
- 4. That the City of Lock Haven Water Department shall be permitted to file a tariff supplement reflecting the rates set forth in its proposed compliance tariff attached to the Joint Petition as Appendix "E" with the modifications described herein to become effective upon at least one day's notice after entry of the Commission's Final Order in this matter.

- 5. That the Commission direct Lock Haven to begin providing its customers with a customer notice whenever Lock Haven files a tariff or tariff supplement that proposes to increase its PENNVEST Surcharge outside of a general rate increase filing, consistent with the following directives:
  - a. This notice shall indicate the impact of the proposed increase on an average customer in each customer class served by Lock Haven and shall include a statement that customers may contact Lock Haven at a given telephone number to get further information on the proposed increase or to find out what actions they may take.
  - b. Lock Haven shall provide this notice by bill insert and shall publish the contents of this notice on Lock Haven's website.
  - c. Upon completion of notice requirements, Lock Haven shall certify to the Commission its compliance with this directive, provide the pertinent dates and include a copy of the customer notice provided with this certification.
- 6. That the Formal Complaint filed by the Pennsylvania Office of Consumer Advocate in this proceeding at Docket No. C-2024-3049646 be deemed satisfied and marked closed.
- 7. That the Formal Complaint filed by the Pennsylvania Office of Small Business Advocate in this proceeding at Docket No. C-2024-3049713 be deemed satisfied and marked closed.

- 8. That the Petition at Docket No. P-2024-3049249 be granted consistent with the Joint Petition for Settlement and modifications described herein.
  - 9. That the Petition at Docket No. P-2024-3049249 be marked closed.
- 10. That the investigation at Docket No. R-2024-3049248 be marked closed.

BY THE COMMISSION,

Rosemary Chiavetta

Secretary

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ORDER ADOPTED: March 27, 2025

ORDER ENTERED: March 27, 2025