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May 2, 2023

Docketing Division  
Public Utilities Commission of  
Ohio 180 East Broad Street  
Columbus OH 43215

RE: *In the Matter of the Joint Application of Aqua Ohio, Inc. and Aqua Ohio Wastewater, Inc. to Amend Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity, Case No. 23-0175-WS-AAC,*

*In the Matter of the Joint Application of Aqua Ohio, Inc. and Aqua Ohio Wastewater, Inc. for Approval to Amend Tariff Pages, Case No. 23-0176-WS-ATA*

Dear Docketing Division:

Enclosed please find the Staff's Review and Recommendation in regard to Aqua Ohio, Inc. and Aqua Ohio Wastewater, Inc.'s joint application in Case No. 23-0175-WS-AAC for approval to amend certificates of public convenience and necessity and in Case No. 23-0176-WS-ATA for tariff revisions.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Regulatory Utility Services  
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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

Enclosure  
Cc: Parties of Record

**Aqua Ohio, Inc.**  
**Aqua Ohio Wastewater, Inc.**  
**23-0175-WS-AAC, et al.**

**SUMMARY OF APPLICATION:**

On March 6, 2023, Aqua Ohio, Inc. (Aqua) and Aqua Ohio Wastewater, Inc. (AWI) (collectively, Aqua Companies) filed a joint application to amend Aqua’s Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 12 and AWI’s Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 1 (collectively, Certificates) to reflect amendments to both service territories. The Aqua Companies seek to the expand the Franklin Division Lake Darby Service Area to serve the Girl Scouts of Ohio’s Heartland (“GSOH”)’s Camp Ken Jockety. The Aqua Companies stated that no additional construction (excluding main extensions) will be necessary to serve the amended territory. Regarding rates, the Aqua Companies will provide waterworks and wastewater service to the GSOH in accordance with its currently approved rates and schedules in its Tariffs for its customers in Franklin County, Ohio, which include water rates as part of Rate Group 3.

The Aqua Companies also proposed amending the maps in their respective tariffs to reflect the service area. The Aqua Companies requested waiver of any legal or public notice and hearings under Ohio Administrative Code 4901:15-04 and 4901:1-15-05.

**STAFF’S REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Staff reviewed the application for compliance with the rules established in Ohio Adm. Code 4901:1-15-07. Staff worked with the Aqua Companies to address technical discrepancies between the proposed map and the proposed metes and bounds description. Staff confirmed that all investment needed to fund this extension will be paid for by the new customer and will be recognized when turned over to Aqua as contribution-in-aid of construction (CIAC).

**CONCLUSION:**

Staff recommends that the Commission approve the Aqua Companies’ application filed on March 6, 2023.

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Summary: Staff Review and Recommendation electronically filed by Mr. Workineh  
Negewo on behalf of PUCO.