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MEMORANDUM

TO: Sonny Popowsky, Chair, Philadelphia Water, Sewer and Storm Water Rate Board

FROM: Daniel W. Cantú-Hertzler, Senior Attorney *DWCH*

DATE: June 15, 2022

RE: 2022 Special Rate Proceeding – Redetermination of Water Department General Rates and Charges Beginning 9/1/2022

I have reviewed the attached Rate Determination of the Philadelphia Water, Sewer and Storm Water Rate Board. The Water Department commenced this Special Rate Proceeding by filing a [Formal Notice](#) on February 25, 2022 following its [Advance Notice](#) of January 21, 2022. Section I(t)(b) of the [Rate Board Regulations](#) authorized the Water Department to commence this proceeding as a Special Rate Proceeding, as directed by the Rate Board in Section VII(7) of its [Rate Determination of June 16, 2021](#) in the 2021 General Rate Proceeding. The Rate Board concluded this Special Rate Proceeding by adopting this Rate Determination on June 15, 2022.

The Rate Board is the independent rate-making body established by [ordinance](#) of City Council pursuant to [Section 5-801](#) of the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to fix and regulate rates and charges for water and sewer services. The attached document is the Rate Board's Rate Report under [Section 13-101\(8\)](#) of the Philadelphia Code, and is the Rate Board's Rate Determination pursuant to Sections I(o) and II.A.3 of the Rate Board Regulations. I find the attached Rate Determination to be legal and in proper form.

In accordance with Section 13-101(8) of the Philadelphia Code and Section II.A.3(c) of the Rate Board Regulations, you may forward the Rate Determination to the Department of Records for filing. As stated in the Rate Determination and consistent with Section 13-101(3)(e) of the Code and Section II.A.3(d) of the Rate Board Regulations, the effective date of the changes in the rates and charges will be September 1, 2022 if the Water Department files its conforming Rates and Charges at least ten days prior to that date.

Attachment

cc (w/att): All Rate Board Members (via E-mail)