

NEW JERSEY-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

**NEW JERSEY-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC. NOTICE OF FILING OF
PETITION FOR APPROVAL TO CHANGE THE LEVEL OF ITS
PURCHASED WATER ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE AND
PURCHASED WASTEWATER TREATMENT ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE
BPU Docket No. WR22110693**

TO OUR CUSTOMERS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on November 15, 2022, New Jersey-American Water Company, Inc. (“Company”) filed with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“Board”), pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 48:2-21 and *N.J.A.C.* 14:9-7.1, *et seq.*, a petition seeking to increase rates for water and sewer service through revisions to the Purchased Water and Purchased Wastewater Treatment Adjustment Clauses (“PWAC” and “PSTAC”, respectively). The proposed rates in the petition would increase annual revenues by \$6,994,958, or 0.84%. The proposed changes in rates provide no profits to the Company. The changes represent the pass-through of charges from purveyors who provide water and wastewater treatment services to the Company. The proposed rates are further described in this Notice after the information regarding public comments.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that virtual public comment hearings on the petition have been scheduled as follows:

FEBRUARY 23, 2023

4:30 P.M.

Dial in to **1-862-294-2638** and enter conference ID: **242 367 640#**, or join by video conference at **<https://bit.ly/3Y2LgFX>** via the Internet.

5:30 P.M.

Dial in to **1-862-294-2638** and enter conference ID: **994 539 572#**, or join by video conference at **<http://bit.ly/3R8jHEU>** via the Internet.

The virtual public comment hearings will be presided over by a hearing officer designated by the Board. Representatives of the Company, Board Staff and the New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel will participate in the virtual public hearings. Members of the public are invited to participate and express their views on the proposed rates. Such comments will be made a part of the final record in the proceeding.

Whether or not you attend the virtual public hearings, written comments may be submitted to the Board. 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 WR22110693, and post by utilizing the "Post Comments" button. Comments may also be emailed to the Secretary of the Board, in pdf or Word format, at board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov. Written comments may also be mailed to the attention of the Honorable Carmen Diaz, Acting Secretary at the Board of Public Utilities, 44 South Clinton Avenue, 1st Floor, P.O. Box 350, Trenton, NJ 08625-0350. Persons submitting written comments should include Docket No. WR22110693 in their submissions.

IN ORDER TO ENCOURAGE FULL PARTICIPATION IN THIS OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE SUBMIT ANY REQUESTS FOR NEEDED ACCOMMODATIONS, INCLUDING INTERPRETERS OR MOBILITY ASSISTANCE, TO THE COMPANY 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE HEARINGS TO JAMIE HAWN, SENIOR MANAGER OF RATES AND REGULATION, NEW JERSEY-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC. AT (856) 955-4797.

PURCHASED WATER ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE (PWAC)

The existing rates for GENERAL METERED, GENERAL SALES FOR RESALE, COMMODITY-DEMAND, OFF-PEAK DEMAND, SERVICE TO OTHER SYSTEMS,

PEAKING SERVICE, and OPTIONAL INDUSTRIAL WHOLESALE water customers served throughout the State of New Jersey, are proposed to be adjusted as follows.

In addition to all other charges for metered service, the following additional charges, per Rate Schedule O-1 of the Company’s Tariff B.P.U. No. 8, per 100 gallons and per 1,000 gallons, for all sales will be made to recover purchased water costs not currently recovered in the consumption charge or any other charge:

	<u>Gallons Per Month</u>	<u>Rate Per 100 Gallons</u>	<u>Rate Per 1,000 Gallons</u>
Non-Exempt	All	\$0.05406	\$0.5406
Exempt	All	\$0.04669	\$0.4669

SET FORTH IN THE CHART BELOW ARE THE PRESENT AND PROPOSED CHARGES FOR THE TYPICAL RESIDENTIAL WATER CUSTOMER CONSUMING 5,520 GALLONS PER MONTH AND THE RESULTING CHANGES:

	<u>Present Per Month</u>	<u>Proposed Per Month</u>	<u>Amount Change</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
Statewide - GMS	\$65.31	\$65.75	\$0.44	0.67%
Statewide - SFR	\$65.31	\$65.75	\$0.44	0.67%
Rate Schedule A-15	\$62.76	\$63.20	\$0.44	0.70%
Rate Schedule A-16	\$41.46	\$41.90	\$0.44	1.06%

PURCHASED WASTEWATER TREATMENT ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE (PSTAC)

In addition to all other existing charges for General Metered Sewer Service in OCEAN CITY, CAPE MAY COUNTY the following PSTAC charges per 100 gallons and per 1,000 gallons, will be included within the Minimum Service Charge rates as set forth on Rate Schedule 1-A of the Company’s Tariff B.P.U. No. 8 – Sewer:

	<u>Gallons Per Month</u>	<u>Rate Per 100 Gallons</u>	<u>Rate Per 1,000 Gallons</u>
Non-Exempt and Exempt	All	\$3.36195	\$33.6195

THE TYPICAL RESIDENTIAL WASTEWATER SERVICE CUSTOMER IN OCEAN CITY WITH SUMMER QUARTER USAGE OF 16,560 GALLONS, 66,240 GALLONS ANNUALLY, PRESENTLY PAYING \$76.56 PER MONTH, WOULD PAY \$77.86 PER MONTH UNDER PROPOSED RATES, WHICH IS AN INCREASE OF \$1.30 OR 1.70%.

<u>Present Per Month</u>	<u>Proposed Per Month</u>	<u>Amount Increase</u>	<u>Percentage Increase</u>
\$76.56	\$77.86	\$1.30	1.70%

In addition to all other existing charges for General Metered Sewer Service in LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP, OCEAN COUNTY, the following PSTAC charges per 100 gallons and per 1,000 gallons, for all sales will be made to recover purchased wastewater treatment and disposal costs not included in the Sewer Usage Charge or any other charges set forth on Rate Schedule 2-A of the Company’s Tariff B.P.U. No. 8 – Sewer:

	<u>Gallons Per Month</u>	<u>Rate Per 100 Gallons</u>	<u>Rate Per 1,000 Gallons</u>
Non-Exempt and Exempt	All	\$0.46241	\$ 4.6241

THE TYPICAL RESIDENTIAL WASTEWATER SERVICE CUSTOMER IN LAKEWOOD WITH WINTER QUARTER USAGE OF 16,560 GALLONS, 66,240 GALLONS ANNUALLY, PRESENTLY PAYING \$65.76 PER MONTH, WOULD PAY \$65.46 PER MONTH UNDER PROPOSED RATES, WHICH IS A DECREASE OF \$0.30 OR 0.46%.

<u>Present Per Month</u>	<u>Proposed Per Month</u>	<u>Amount Decrease</u>	<u>Percentage Decrease</u>
\$65.76	\$65.46	\$0.30	0.46%

In addition to all other existing charges for General Metered Sewer Service in the Adelpia section of the TOWNSHIP OF HOWELL, MONMOUTH COUNTY the following PSTAC charges per 100 gallons and per 1,000 gallons for all sales will be made to recover purchased wastewater treatment and disposal costs not included in the Sewer Usage Charge or any other charges set forth on Rate Schedule 3-A of the Company's Tariff B.P.U. No. 8 – Sewer:

	<u>Gallons Per Month</u>	<u>Rate Per 100 Gallons</u>	<u>Rate Per 1,000 Gallons</u>
Non-Exempt and Exempt	All	\$0.68909	\$6.8909

THE TYPICAL RESIDENTIAL WASTEWATER SERVICE CUSTOMER IN HOWELL WITH USAGE OF 66,240 GALLONS ANNUALLY, PRESENTLY PAYING \$77.26 PER MONTH, WOULD PAY \$79.04 PER MONTH UNDER PROPOSED RATES, WHICH IS AN INCREASE OF \$1.78 OR 2.30%.

<u>Present Per Month</u>	<u>Proposed Per Month</u>	<u>Amount Increase</u>	<u>Percentage Increase</u>
\$77.26	\$79.04	\$1.78	2.30%

NO INCREASES ARE PROPOSED FOR PUBLIC OR PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE CUSTOMERS NOR ARE ANY INCREASES PROPOSED FOR ANY OF THE COMPANY'S FIXED SERVICE CHARGES OR DEMAND CHARGES APPLICABLE TO METERED WATER SERVICE.

Notice of the petition was served on the clerk, executive or administrator of each municipality and county in the service area of the Company. Further information and copies of the petition may be obtained at the Board of Public Utilities' Offices located at 44 South Clinton

Avenue, 1st Floor, Trenton, New Jersey 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.gov. Additionally, the petition and applicable attachments as well as the Public Hearing Notice for this proceeding can be viewed on the Company's website at www.newjerseyamwater.com by first selecting Customer Service and then Your Water and Wastewater Rates.

Any relief determined by the Board of Public Utilities to be just and reasonable may be applied by the Board of Public Utilities in such manner as it may deem appropriate.

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