

July 22, 2005

Honorable Joan Decker
Records Commissioner
City Hall, Room 158
Philadelphia, PA 19107

VIA HAND DELIVERY

RE: Water Commissioner's Decision and Revised Regulations

Dear Commissioner Decker:

On February 26, 2004, and on December 17, 2004, the Water Department filed with the Department of Records five regulations proposing revised water and sewer rates and charges as follows:

- General Service Water Rates (Sections 301.0, et seq.);
- General Service Sewer Rates (Sections 302.0, et seq.);
- Miscellaneous Water Charges (Sections 303.0, et seq.);
- Miscellaneous Sewer Charges (Sections 304.0, et seq.); and
- General Fire Service Rates (Sections 308.0, et seq.).

In accordance with The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, The Philadelphia Code, and applicable regulations, the Hearing Officer, Henri P. Marcial, Esq., held hearings on the above noted regulations on 3/30/05, 3/31/05, 4/2/05, 4/6/05, 4/7/05, 4/13/05, 4/14/05, and 4/15/05. The Hearing Officer's report, dated June 17, 2005, was delivered to me on June 19, 2005, and is enclosed. Also enclosed is my decision on the proposed regulations as well as revised final versions of the five regulations. These regulations have been approved by the City Law Department and are intended to become effective August 1, 2005.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Bernard Brunwasser
Water Commissioner