**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS**

 **IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF AQUA NEW JERSEY, INC.**

**FOR APPROVAL OF A RESILIENCY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEM INVESTMENT CHARGE FOUNDATIONAL FILING AND RELATED SURCHARGE**

**BPU Docket No. WR25060367**

**TO OUR CUSTOMERS:**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on June 26, 2025, Aqua New Jersey, Inc. (“Company”) filed a Petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“Board”), seeking approval of a Foundational Filing to implement a Resiliency and Environmental System Investment Charge (“RESIC”), pursuant to N.J. S. A. 48:19-29 *et seq.* A RESIC is a regulatory mechanism that enables timely cost recovery of investments in certain non-revenue producing water and wastewater system components that are needed to comply with requirements addressing existing or emerging chemical elements or compounds; as well as investments to enhance water and wastewater system resiliency, and the health, safety or environmental protection of customers, employees, or the public. A RESIC rate is interim, subject to refund, until the Company’s investments are reviewed in a subsequent base rate case.

Any rate adjustments with resulting changes in bill impacts found by the Board to be just and reasonable may be modified and/or allocated by the Board in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 48:2-21 and for other good and legally sufficient reasons to any class or classes of customers of the Company. Therefore, the described charges may increase or decrease based upon the Board’s decision. The Petition and applicable exhibits as well as the Public Hearing Notice for this proceeding can be viewed on the Company’s website at [www.aquawater.com](http://www.aquawater.com).

The maximum proposed monthly RESIC rates are contained in the Petition filed with the Board, as set forth below.

PROPOSED RESIC SURCHARGE RATES BASED ON
METER SIZE OR EQUIVALENT

Maximum Monthly RESIC Surcharge - Water and Wastewater:

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| Size of Meter | Proposed Rate |
| 5/8 | $1.42 |
| 3/4 | 2.13 |
| 1 | 3.55 |
| 1-1/2 | 7.10 |
| 2 | 11.36 |
| 3 | 21.30 |
| 4 | 35.50 |
| 6 | 71.00 |
| 8 | 113.60 |
| 10 | 163.30 |
| 12 | 305.30 |

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that virtual public comment hearings will be conducted on the following date and times so that members of the public may present their views on the Petition:

Date: October 14, 2025

Times: 4:30 and 5:30 pm

Link: <https://saul.zoom.us/j/93665033629?pwd=b8aM7ZaZ7hd1QFblegx6Kabcm0XA8Y.1>

Dial-In Number: 1 -877-853-5247

Meeting ID: 936 6503 3629

Passcode: 811197

Representatives from 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 by utilizing the link or dial-in information set forth above to express their views on the Petition. All comments will be made part of the final record of the proceeding to be considered by the Board. In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for needed accommodations, such as interpreters and/or listening assistance, at least 48 hours prior to the above hearing to the Board Secretary at board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov.

Comments may be submitted directly to the specific docket listed above using the “Post Comments” button on the Board’s Document Search tool, https://publicaccess.bpu.state.nj.us. Comments are considered public documents for purposes of the State’s Open Public Records Act. Only submit public documents using the “Post Comments” button on the Board’s Public Document Search tool. Any confidential information should be submitted in accordance with the procedures set forth in N.J.A.C. 14:1-12.3. In addition to hard copy submissions, confidential information may be filed electronically via the Board’s e-filing system or by email to the Secretary of the Board, Sherri Lewis. Please include “Confidential Information” in the subject line of any email. Instructions for confidential e-filing are found on the Board’s webpage, https://www.nj.gov/bpu/agenda/efiling/.

Emailed and/or written comments may also be submitted to:

Sherri Lewis, Secretary of the Board

44 South Clinton Ave., 1st Floor

PO Box 350

Trenton, NJ 08625-0350

Email: board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov.

Please include BPU Docket No. **WR25060367** in any written or emailed comments.

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