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MEMORANDUM

TO: Harris Bock, Esquire
Dispute Resolution Institute

FROM: Andre Dasent, Esquire

RE: Philadelphia Water Department Rate Proceeding (FY 2009-2012)

DATE: June 3, 2008

Attached please find the Proposed Schedule for the rate proceeding submitted on behalf of the Philadelphia Water Department. I plan to discuss same with the parties to narrow the issues for determination at the pre-hearing conference. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

cc: Service List (via e-mail)

PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR THE WATER DEPARTMENT RATE PROCEEDING

<u>Procedural Event</u>	<u>Explanation of Purpose</u>	<u>Time of Event</u>
Formal Discovery	Written Interrogatories	June 6 – July 21
Informal Discovery	Conferences to Informally Discuss Issues	June 13, June 30-July 1
Scheduling Conference	Conference with Hearing Officer to Discuss Discovery Problems (if any) Regarding Revenue Requirements, etc.	July 14
Intervener Testimony	Submission of Prepared Testimony Should be Exchanged by this Date	July 21
Public Input Hearings	Hearings for the General Public at Various Venues Around the City (four public hearings planned; with at least one day-time hearing)	July 22-25
Technical Hearings	Hearings for the Formal Parties (having intervened in the rate case – to be liberally permitted at the hearing officer’s discretion)	July 29-31
Simultaneous Briefs – All Formal Parties		August 18
Reply Briefs		August 27
Hearing Officer Report		September 12
Scheduling Conference	Conference with Hearing Officer to Discuss any Procedural Issues and Set Time-line for Hearing Regarding Stormwater Issues	September 15
Commissioner’s Decision	Determination as to Proposed Rates (Revenue Requirements, etc.)	September 19
New Rates Effective Date		October 1
Submission of Intervener Stormwater Testimony and Hearings		Dates to be determined

Additional Procedural Issues – The parties should designate whether it is their intention to participate in the technical or public input hearings. Those parties planning to participate in the technical hearings should file a pre-hearing memorandum outlining their tentative position within 10 days of the pre-hearing conference. If the primary interest of such a party concerns the

proposed stormwater regulations, that should be stated in the pre-hearing memorandum. Electronic filing of documents (testimony, motions, briefs, interrogatory responses, etc.) should be liberally permitted as long as hard copies of documents are promptly delivered to the parties via overnight delivery or hand delivery. The time-line for discovery responses should be 10 calendar days, unless otherwise directed.