

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
MIDDLESEX WATER COMPANY
NOTICE OF FILING OF PETITION FOR APPROVAL TO
CHANGE THE LEVELS OF ITS PURCHASED WATER ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE (“PWAC”)
BPU Docket No. WR24100782**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, on October 7, 2024, Middlesex Water Company (“Company”), pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:9-7.1 et seq., filed a Petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“Board”) for approval to implement a Purchased Water Adjustment Clause (“PWAC”). Through the PWAC, the Company recovers its costs for purchasing water from suppliers, including recovery of increased purchased water costs, deferred costs, PWAC rate case expenses, and associated gross receipts and franchise taxes. The proposed rates would increase annual revenues by \$563,554 or by 0.45%. The PWAC surcharge provides no profit to the Company and is a pass-through of actual charges from New-Jersey American Water Company and the New Jersey Water Supply Authority.

The proposed PWAC rates for those customers impacted by the rate increase are contained in the tariff sheets and Petition filed with the Board and covered under the following tariffs:

		<u>Current Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
• Rate Schedule No. 1:	General Water Service (GS) (Tariff Sheet 33A)	\$0.0000	\$0.5557 per thousand cubic feet
• Rate Schedule No. 5:	Service Under Contract (SC) (Tariff Sheet 40A)	\$0.00	\$21.75 per million gallons

IF APPROVED, AN AVERAGE RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER USING 2,100 CUBIC FEET (15,708 GALLONS) OF WATER PER QUARTER WILL SEE HIS/HER BILL INCREASE FROM \$233.24 TO \$234.41, AN INCREASE OF \$1.17 PER QUARTER, OR APPROXIMATELY 0.50%.

Any relief determined by the Board to be just and reasonable may be allocated by the Board to any class or classes of customers of the Company in such manner and in such amounts or percentages as the Board may deem appropriate. The Board may choose to impose a greater portion of the increase on any present or future class or classes and group or groups of customers, may exclude from any increase any of the foregoing, or may vary the amount of percentage increase applicable to any of the foregoing.

The complete tariff for the proposed PWAC is part of the Petition filed with the Board, which was served upon the Director of the New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel. The Petition was also served on the Clerks of the Municipalities and on the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners in the service area of the Company pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-32.2, and a copy of this Notice will also be served on such Clerks. Further information and copies of the Petition may be obtained at the Board’s offices located at 44 South Clinton Avenue, 1st Floor, Trenton, NJ 08625-0350 or at the Company’s offices located at 485C Route 1 South, Suite 400, Iselin, New Jersey 08830. The Petition, testimony, and all attachments are also available for public inspection on the Company’s website at <http://www.middlesexwater.com/customer-care/regulatory>.

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

Date: December 17, 2024
Times 4:30 pm and 5:30 pm

Join Zoom Meeting
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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 by using the Meeting ID or Dial-in Number set forth above and may express their view on the Petition. All comments will be made a part of the final record in the proceeding. In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for special accommodations, such as interpreters or listen assistance, 48 hour prior to the above hearing to the Board Secretary at board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov.

The Board is also accepting written and electronic comments. Comments may be submitted directly to the specific docket listed above using the "Post Comments" button on the Board's Public Document Search tool at <https://publicaccess.bpu.state.nj.us>. Comments are considered public documents for the purposes of the State's Open Public Records Act. Only documents that are intended for the public should be submitted 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 also be filed electronically via the Board's e-filing system or by e-mail to the Secretary of the Board at board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov. Please included "Confidential Information" in the subject line of any e-mail. Instructions for confidential e-filing are found on the Board's webpage at www.nj.gov/bpu/agenda/efiling/.

E-mailed and/or written comments may also be submitted to:

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