

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
OF VEOLIA WATER DELAWARE, INC.) PSC DOCKET NO. 25-0037
FOR AN INCREASE IN WATER BASE)
RATES (FILED JANUARY 15, 2025))

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

TO: ALL WATER CUSTOMERS OF VEOLIA WATER DELAWARE INC.:

A Hearing Examiner appointed by the Delaware Public Service Commission (the “Commission”) will conduct a hybrid format public comment session concerning the above-captioned case (as further explained below) at the following time and location:

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.	
IN PERSON	REMOTE ACCESS
Delaware Public Service Commission Hearing Room 861 Silver Lake Blvd. Cannon Building, Suite 100 Dover, DE 19904	Teleconference: 1-301-715-8592 Zoom VideoConference Link https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82399505463?pwd=oU8xVoVP0oupOHRhOlaH8hX0U7oIqM.1 Meeting ID: 823 9950 5463 Passcode: 855642

On January 15, 2025, Veolia Water Delaware, Inc. (“Veolia”) filed an application (the “Application”) with the Commission seeking approval for an increase in its water base rates and certain changes to its water tariff.

In its Application, Veolia seeks an increase in annual operating revenues of \$15,917,913, or an increase of 44.51% over existing base rates. The proposed increase includes \$350,000 of existing Distribution System Improvement Charge (“DSIC”) which will be rolled into base rates.

The following is a breakdown by service classification of Veolia's proposed increases:

Residential (per 1,000 gallons)		
Rate Tiers	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
0-2,000 Gallons	\$5.9167	\$8.8607
2,001-7,000 Gallons	\$7.1534	\$10.7126
Over 7,000 Gallons	\$10.0237	\$15.0105

Commercial (per 1,000 gallons)		
Rate Tiers	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
All Consumption	\$5.5503	\$8.2430

Industrial (per 1,000 gallons)		
Rate Tiers	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
0-1,400,000 Gallons	\$5.6329	\$8.3353
Over 1,400,000 Gallons	\$4.2036	\$6.2206

Public Authority (per 1,000 gallons)		
Rate Tiers	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
All Consumption	\$5.0894	\$7.5815

Sales for Resale (per 1,000 gallons)		
Rate Tiers	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
All Consumption	\$5.1019	\$7.5470

Fixed Customer Service Charge (per month)		
Meter Size	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
5/8"	\$15.00	\$21.70
3/4"	\$18.75	\$27.13
1"	\$30.00	\$43.40
1 ¼"	\$30.00	\$43.40
1 ½"	\$45.00	\$65.10
2"	\$60.00	\$86.80
3"	\$150.00	\$217.00
4"	\$225.00	\$325.50

6"	\$375.00	\$542.50
8"	\$500.00	\$759.50
10"	\$600.00	\$868.00
12"	N/A	\$976.50

Public Fire Hydrant Ready to Serve Charge (per month)		
Meter Size	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
5/8"	\$2.76	\$3.18
3/4"	\$4.14	\$4.77
1"	\$6.90	\$7.95
1 ¼"	\$10.38	\$7.95
1 ½"	\$13.83	\$15.90
2"	\$22.16	\$25.44
3"	\$41.54	\$47.70
4"	\$69.26	\$79.50
6"	\$138.58	\$159.00
8"	\$221.72	\$254.40
10"	\$318.73	\$365.70
12"	N/A	\$683.70

Public Fire Hydrant (per month)		
	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
Maintained by Company	\$150.83	\$173.45
Maintained by Customer	\$134.67	\$146.79

Private Fire Protection (per month)		
Meter Size	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
1 ½"	\$7.57	\$8.71
2"	\$31.44	\$36.16
4"	\$50.29	\$57.83
6"	\$125.64	\$144.49
8"	\$226.05	\$259.96
10"	\$351.76	\$404.52
12"	\$502.49	\$577.86
Charge Per Hydrant (per month)		
Maintained by Company	\$150.83	\$173.45
Maintained by Customer	\$134.67	\$146.79

On February 19, 2025, in Order No. 10645, the Commission, pursuant to 26 *Del. C.* § 306(a)(1), suspended the effect of the proposed new rates, tariff revisions and other requested relief pending further investigation, public comment sessions, and public evidentiary hearings, which will be held later after further public notice.

On March 12, 2025, in Order No. 10670, the Commission authorized Veolia to place a portion of its proposed increases into effect and reset its DSIC to zero on March 16, 2025, subject to refund, pursuant to 26 *Del. C.* § 306(c).

The Commission will make its decision on this matter on the basis of the record evidence taken at the public evidentiary hearings. The Commission may approve or reject, in whole or in part, the proposed increase and tariff revisions and may apply a different method for allocating any increase that it approves.

Written comments may be filed **on or before July 15, 2025**, on the Commission's docketing and file management system DelaFile (<https://delafile.delaware.gov>), by mail to Delaware Public Service Commission, 861 Silver Lake Blvd, Suite 100, Dover, DE 19904, or by email to psc@delaware.gov with "Docket No. 25-0037" in the subject line.

You may review Veolia's Application and supporting documents to determine how your interest may be affected by going to DelaFile (<https://delafile.delaware.gov>), the Commission's docketing and file management system, and by searching for Docket No. 25-0037.

If you would like to review documents at the Commission's offices, please contact the Commission Secretary, Crystal Beenick, at (302) 736-7500 or send an email addressed to Crystal.Beenick@delaware.gov. If you wish to request copies of documents in this matter, please submit a Freedom of Information Act Request Form. The link to this form can be found by visiting this web address: <https://sos.delaware.gov/foia-requests/>. The Commission will respond to your

request in accordance with the Delaware Freedom of Information Act, 29 *Del. C.* ch. 100.

If you have a disability and wish to participate or to review the materials in this matter, please contact the Commission to discuss any auxiliary aids or services you might need to help you. You may contact the Commission in person, by writing, by telephone (including text telephone), by email, or other means.

If you have questions about this matter, you may call the Commission at 1-800-282-8574 (toll-free in Delaware) or (302) 736-7500 (voice and text telephone). You may also send questions regarding this matter by Internet e-mail addressed to psc@delaware.gov with “Docket No. 25-0037” in the subject line.