

STATE OF NEW YORK  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 11-W-0484 - Petition for Approval, Pursuant to Public Service Law §113(2), of a Proposed Allocation of Certain Tax Refunds between Long Island Water Corporation d/b/a Long Island American Water and Ratepayers.

NOTICE INVITING COMMENTS ON  
PROPOSED RATE TREATMENT OF PROPERTY TAX REFUNDS FROM  
VILLAGES TO LONG ISLAND AMERICAN WATER

(Issued February 8, 2013)

The N.Y.S. Public Service Commission seeks public comments on a proposal ("Joint Proposal") regarding rate treatment of \$2,961,999 in past and future property tax refunds to New York American Water Co., Inc., formerly known as Long Island Water Corp. d/b/a Long Island American Water (LIAW or the company), from the Villages of East Rockaway, Atlantic Beach, Island Park, Lynbrook, and Valley Stream. The refunds resulted from the company's ongoing challenges to the villages' real property tax assessments starting in the tax year 1999/00.

The Joint Proposal, negotiated by the company and Staff of the N.Y.S. Department of Public Service and submitted for the Commission's review, is that the company retain \$335,983 (14%) of the net proceeds remaining after deducting \$562,122 in legal and related costs, and allocate the remaining \$2,063,895 (86%) to the company's current customers in the territory formerly served by LIAW (with interest, accruing until the customers' share has been fully refunded to them). The Joint Proposal states that the resulting credit would be about \$26.35 per customer.

The Commission may accept, reject, or modify the parties' proposals in whole or in part. It encourages the public to comment as follows.

Writing: Comments can be written and submitted electronically to the Acting Secretary at [secretary@dps.ny.gov](mailto:secretary@dps.ny.gov). Persons unable to submit comments electronically may mail or deliver them to Hon. Jeffrey C. Cohen, Acting Secretary, Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350. Your comment should refer to "Case 11-W-0484 - Long Island American Water village tax refunds."

Toll-Free Opinion Line: You can call the Commission's Opinion Line at 1-800-335-2120. This number is set up to take comments about pending cases from in-state callers at any time. Please press "1" and state that you are commenting about the Long Island American Water village tax refunds.

All comments by these methods must be received by the Acting Secretary no later than February 22, 2013. All such comments will become part of the record; will be posted for public viewing on the Commission's website at [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov), if written; and will be reported to the Commission for its consideration.

In addition to the comments, one can find the Joint Proposal, the parties' arguments supporting or opposing it, and any exhibits, affidavits, pleadings, and other documents issued or filed in this case by searching for Case 11-W-0484 on the above website. Many libraries offer free Internet access.

Individuals with difficulty understanding or reading English are encouraged to call the Commission at 1-800-342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this notice.

This matter is being heard in Case 11-W-0484, *Petition for Approval, Pursuant to Public Service Law Section 113(2), of a Proposed Allocation of Certain Tax Refunds between Long Island Water Corporation d/b/a Long Island American Water and Ratepayers.*

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