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## CONSUMER ALERT: PUBLIC COMMENT ON PROPOSED MERGER OF AQUARION WATER COMPANY AND VALLEY WATER SYSTEMS

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The Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA) is accepting public comment from customers, public officials, and all other interested stakeholders regarding a proposed merger of Aquarion Water Company and Valley Water Systems that is currently being considered in PURA <u>Docket No. 21-04-23</u>. A live <u>public comment hearing</u> will be held via Zoom on June 7, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. OCC encourages all interested members of the public to participate and provide their perspective on the proposed merger, Aquarion and Valley's quality of service, and other relevant topics. The public may also submit public comment in writing via e-mail to <u>Pura.ExecutiveSecretary@ct.gov</u> referencing Docket No. 21-04-23. All public comments, both live and in writing, will become an official part of the record and assist OCC, PURA, and other stakeholders in their consideration of the proposed merger. Formal evidentiary hearings will be held starting on July 6, 2021.

The Zoom public comment hearing may be accessed directly at: https://ctdeep.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUkf-2opj8pE9zp0xHftLcrq9bGKfmLLHNg