# **Outreach and Customer Communication Plan** Regarding **The New York American Water Company, Inc. Transaction**



### **Key Messages**

As part of its commitment to clear and effective customer communication, following the stock sale of New York Water Company, Inc. ("NYAW") and its renaming to Liberty Utilities (New York Water) Corp. ("Liberty Water NY" or the "Company"), Liberty Water NY will focus on three themes in its outreach to customers and stakeholders over the next several months concerning the transaction:

#### Who We Are, Values & Purpose

- Quality, Reliable Service
- Safety
- Environmental and Social Responsibility

#### **Benefits of Liberty Water NY**

- Bill Savings
- Local Customer Service

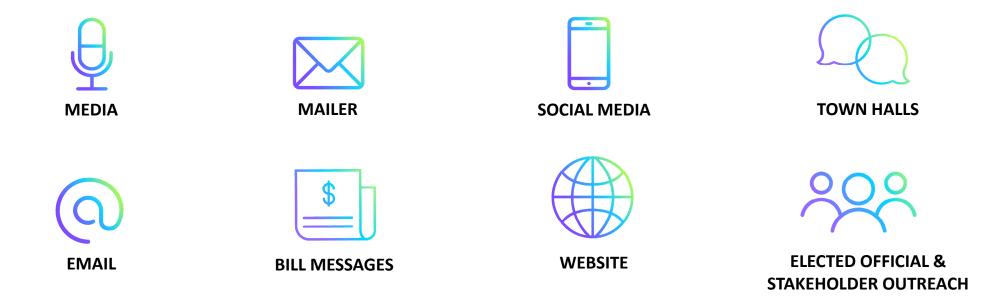
#### **What Customers Can Expect**

- Responsive, Caring Culture
- Accurate Billing
- Timely Customer Service



### **Communication Tactics**

To reach customers, the Company will leverage the following tactics:





### **Customer Letter**

Liberty Water NY mailed this introduction letter to its customers.

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January 1, 2022

To learn more about Liberty and its regulated water, wastewater, natural gas, and electric utility business across North America, please visit www.libertyenergyandwater.com. Sincerely,

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Chris Alario President, Liberty – New York Water

"New York Water" from the drop-down menu).

#### Your Bill Will Decrease.

for the future.

Greetings:

We are happy to report that Liberty is eliminating the "Make Whole" sucharge effective January 1, 2022. New York American Water was scheduled to implement a rate increase in April 2020, but the increase was delayed in response to the COVID pandemic. The PSC had granted the Make Whole sucharge, which was implemented May 1, 2021, to recover the lost revenue due to this delay. Following the elimination of this surcharge, a typical residential customer using 8,000 gallons/month will see approximately \$6-11 reduction in their bill per month, depending on location. To see specific bill impacts for all rate classes and areas please visit our website at www.libertyenergyandwater.com (select "New York Water from the drop-down menu).

Following NYS Public Service Commission (PSC) approval, we are pleased to announce that New York

American Water is now Liberty Utilities (New York Water) Corp. (Liberty). We are very excited to be your

water/wastewater provider and are working with New York American Water's former parent company,

Liberty is committed to providing safe and reliable service and a great customer experience. We support the communities we serve and strive to create greener, cleaner, and more sustainable systems

American Water, to ensure this transition is as smooth as possible.

#### What's Changing?

You will soon see new Liberty communications, bills, signage, uniforms, and vehicles. American Water will continue to provide billing and payment services for Liberty for a period of time. During the transition period, you may encounter the American Water logo and name on occasion when doing business with us, including when using our phone system.

#### What's Staying the Same?

Our phone number, hours, and services are staying the same for a period of time, as well as your billing account information and payment options.

www.libertyenergyandwater.com

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We will keep you informed of any changes that are upcoming. If you have any questions, please contact us at 1-877-426-6999 or visit us on our updated website at www.libertyenergyandwater.com (select



## **Social Media**

### The Company's social media outreach campaign is live and ongoing. For example:

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Liberty provides regulated water, electricity, and gas utility services to 1+ million customer connections across the US and Canada. We are committed to providing our customers with safe, high-quality, and reliable services and look forward to serving you.

Learn more: https://algonquinpower.com/about-us/what-we-do.html

### **Liberty**

#### Get to Know Liberty: What We Do

utility services to over 1 million customer connections in North America.



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Effective January 1, 2022, New York American Water is now Liberty. Liberty is committed to providing safe and reliable service and a great customer experience. We support the communities we serve and strive to create greener, cleaner and more sustainable systems for the future. We're happy to be your water supplier. Learn more here: https://newyork-water.libertyutilities.com/.../welcome...



It's official! We're 🕒 Liberty



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"Need to contact us? Our phone number is still the same! Call us at 1-877-426-6999, Monday - Friday from 7 am - 7pm. Emergency calls are accepted 24/7.

Learn what has changed and what has stayed the same since becoming Liberty: https://bit.ly/3nep6wr

Liberty How to Contact Us

🕲 (877) 426-6999

Business Hours: Monday-Friday | 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.

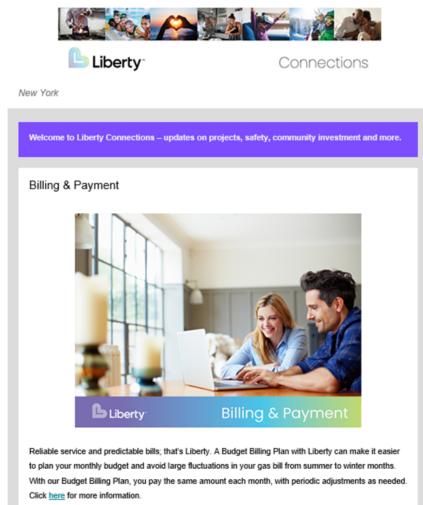


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## Email

### **Liberty Connections**

• The Company will launch a monthly email newsletter, called "Liberty Connections," to all customers in February 2022.



Corporate Citizenship: Caring For Our Environment

## **Bill Message**

The Company included welcome (see fig. 7.1) and other educational messaging (see fig. 7.2) in its January bills.

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Liberty	Account No.	1	
	Total Amount Due:	\$19.39	
Service Address:	Payment Due By:	February 1, 2022	
WEST HEMPSTEAD, NY 11552-3304	Billing Date: January 10, 2022 Service Period: Dec 10 to Jan 06 (28 Days) Total Gallons: 900		
THANK YOU FOR BEING OUR CUSTOMER			
Important Account Messages	Account Summary – See page Prior Billing:	3 for Account Detail \$20.24	
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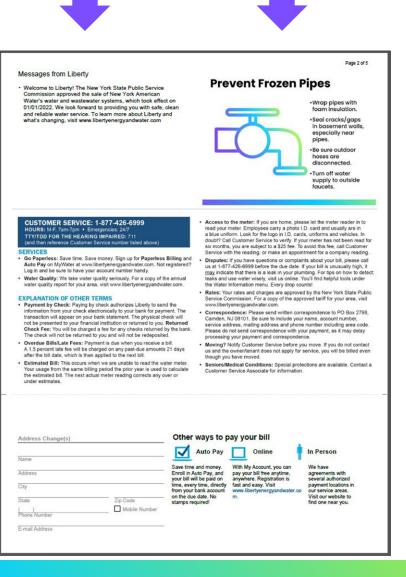


Fig. 7.2

Fig. 7.1



## Website

The Company has included an introductory message on its homepage and, as the next slide demonstrates, included educational messages on popups throughout its website about the acquisition.

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#### New York American Water is now...



Effective January 01, 2022, Liberty is managing your water and wastewater services. To learn more about Liberty please click the libertyenergyandwater.com option below and select the "Who We Are" and "What We Do" tabs. If you would like to access your account or pay your bill, choose one of the account options below. For a period of time, American Water will continue to provide payment

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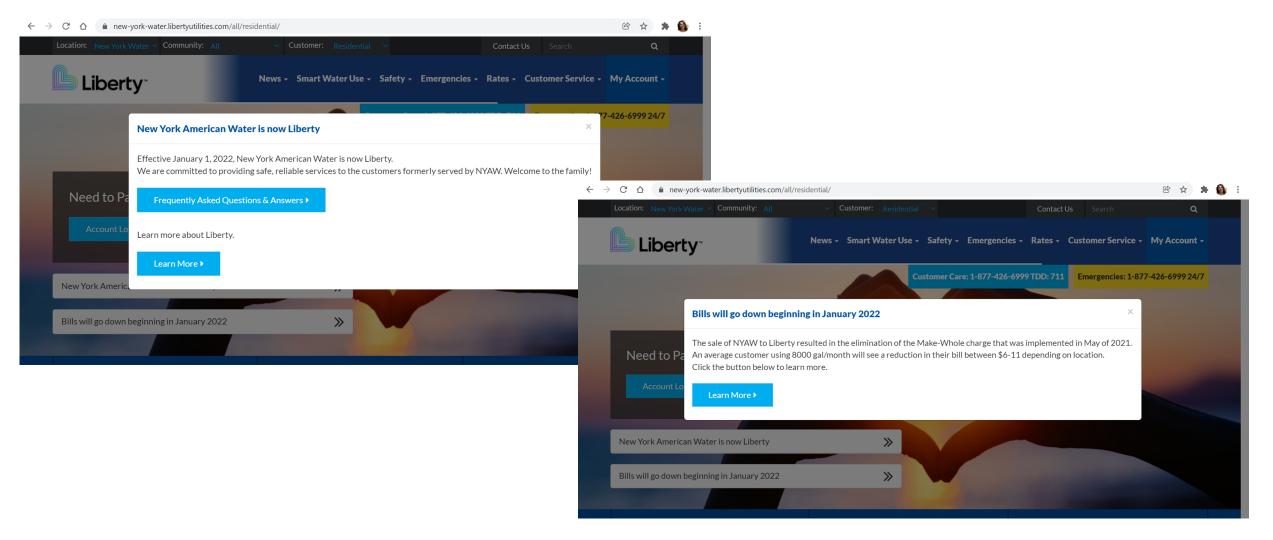
libertyenergyandwater.com My Account

One-Time Payment Portal Report Emergency





## Website





### Media

Liberty Water NY has also used press releases to disseminate details of its purchase of NYAW through traditional media outlets (see e.g., Newsday article from 1/3/22). LONG ISLAND / POLITICS

### Liberty completes purchase of NY American Water



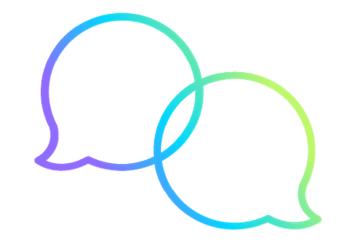
Newsday Article Jan 3, 2022



### **Town Halls**

# A town hall meeting will be held in-person or virtually in Q1 2022.

 During the first quarter of 2022, the Company will host a town hall-style event to engage with customers, answer questions, and stress our commitment to serving them. Existing COVIDrelated restrictions will determine whether this event is conducted in person or virtually.





## **Elected Official and Stakeholder Engagement**

The Company intends to reach out to elected officials in its service territory during the first quarter of 2022 to outline its commitment to customers.

#### 1. Elected Official Welcome Email

- Will be distributed to State, county, town and village elected officials

#### 2. Elected Official Meetings

 Liberty leadership will contact elected officials and offer in-person or virtual meetings to discuss issues specific to each official/district

#### 3. Stakeholder Outreach

 Liberty contact key stakeholders and community groups to offer the Company's participation or input



## **Relationship Building**

Liberty Water NY will focus on building relationships at the local level by creating touchpoints at regular intervals; assisting local point of contact in managing water service-related constituent issues; and offering customers tools and tips to use water more efficiently.

