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## Recommendation

**To:** Utah Public Service Commission

**From:** Utah Division of Public Utilities

Chris Parker, Director

William Duncan, Telecommunications and Water Manager

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**Date:** June 18, 2018

**Re:** **Request for Exemption for Summit Vista Water Company**, Docket No.  
18-2604-01

## Recommendation (Approve)

The Utah Division of Public Utilities (Division) recommends that Summit Vista's Water Company's (Summit Vista) request for an exemption from Public Service Commission (Commission) regulation be approved and that the Commission issue Summit Vista a Letter of Exemption.

## Discussion

On or about May 30, 2018 the Commission received an Application and Exhibits for Exemption for Summit Vista Water Company. The Division reviewed the application and found the following:

Summit Vista is an "Active" corporation and is in "Good Standing" according to the records of the Utah Division of Corporations.

Summit Vista's sole customer and shareholder is Summit Life Plan Communities, LLC, a retirement/continuing care community, under construction in Taylorsville, UT. Summit Vista owns no water rights and operates no water storage of independent water sources. Rather, Taylorsville-Bennion Improvement District (TBID) has committed to provide sufficient water rights, storage, and sourcing for the Project. Summit Vista's role in providing water to the Project is transporting water supplied by TBID, maintaining the delivery infrastructure within the Project, and maintaining pump stations to supply sufficient pressure for water service and fire protection to the Project.

The Utah Division of Drinking Water (Drinking Water) has reviewed Summit Vista's plans and specifications for the proposed public water system that will operate and maintain the drinking water infrastructure serving the Summit Vista Retirement Community development. Drinking Water indicates that this development is anticipated to be developed in three phases, and will serve approximately 3,000 residents and associated employees at full buildout.

On this basis, the plans for the wholesale connection to receive water from TBID, new water lines and Summit Vista Pump Facility serving the Summit Vista Retirement Community pertaining to construction were approved by Drinking Water on or about February 22, 2018.

## **Conclusion**

Summit Vista is providing water service to a single customer in its water service area boundary, Summit Life Plan Communities, LLC. Summit Vista is not serving the public generally and therefore meets the requirements as established by the Commission to operate free of Commission regulation and the Division recommends that the Commission issue a Letter of Exemption to Summit Vista.

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