

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

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In the Matter of the Request for a Rate )  
Increase of Hidden Creek Water Company ) DOCKET NO. 09-2440-01  
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) ORDER  
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ISSUED: April 5, 2010

By The Commission:

On March 25, 2010 the Commission ordered the Company as follows:

The Company shall provide notice of the technical conference to each ratepayer **NO LATER THAN 15 DAYS** before the scheduled date of the technical conference as follows:

*Dear customer:*

*You are invited to attend a technical conference that will be held on (date) at (time) in (location of technical conference). The purpose of this technical conference is to allow officers of Hidden Creek Water Company to present the reasons for a proposed rate increase. The rate increase could raise the rates you pay for water usage.*

*Hidden Creek officers will first present the reasons for their requested increase. Personnel for the Utah Division of Public Utilities will also be in attendance. The Division will then present its recommendation. Previously, the Division had recommended that Hidden Creek be allowed to increase its rates in order to maintain a viable water system. Afterward, there will be some time for questions and answers.*

No later than 1 week before the technical conference, the Company shall provide verification to the Commission that it provided the notice as ordered herein;

*Order of Stay and Order for Technical Conference, pp.2-3.*

On April 5, 2010, the Company provided notice to the Commission that it sent out, on or about April 1, 2010, the notice of the proposed April 22, 2010 technical conference.

Although the first two paragraphs of the notice provided the language the Commission directed, the Company also inserted statements of its own beliefs and understanding of the law in the form of a third and final paragraph. That paragraph commences with the statement “It is important to note that the company complied . . . .” and ending with the statement “which is why each customer’s March 1, 2010 invoice reflected the new rate and fee charges.”

ORDER

At the future technical conference, the Company shall note that the third paragraph was inserted on the Company’s own initiative and does not reflect any findings or conclusions of the Commission. Since the Company officers may not be completely familiar with the administrative and legal process, and might not have understood the Commission’s order clearly, the Commission will not direct the Company to issue another notice at this time. In the future however, if the Commission provides the language of the notice to the Company, the Company shall provide it simply as directed by the Commission.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2010.

/s/ Ruben H. Arredondo  
Administrative Law Judge

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Approved and confirmed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2010 as the Order of the Public  
Service Commission of Utah.

/s/ Ted Boyer, Chairman

/s/ Ric Campbell, Commissioner

/s/ Ron Allen, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Julie Orchard  
Commission Secretary  
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