

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

In the Matter of Community Water
Company, LLC

DOCKET NO. 16-098-01
ORDER REQUIRING DIVISION TO
FILE A PETITION FOR A RATE
INCREASE

ISSUED: March 15, 2016

On February 19, 2016, the Utah Division of Public Utilities (Division) filed with the Public Service Commission of Utah (Commission) a petition for an order requiring Community Water Company, LLC (CWC) to show cause why:

- (a) CWC should not be ordered to petition the Commission for a rate increase; or,
alternatively
- (b) the Division should not be ordered to petition the Commission for an increase in CWC's rates.

The Division brought the petition because CWC has filed two petitions for rate increases in the past two years, but has abandoned both cases. The Division alleges that CWC's current rates, which were established in 2001, are insufficient to maintain the company and fund a reserve account. The Division further alleges that CWC's infrastructure is aging, and that the necessary improvements will be costly.

On February 22, 2016, the Commission granted the Division's petition and issued the requested order to show cause. CWC responded on March 10, 2016. In brief, CWC does not contest that the company needs a rate increase and does not oppose the Division's being ordered to file a petition accordingly.

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ORDER

Given the foregoing, we direct the Division to file a petition on behalf of Community Water Company, LLC for an increase in rates. Where we issue this order at the request of the Division, we anticipate that the petition will be filed within a reasonable time. Therefore, we do not set a filing deadline.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, March 15, 2016.

/s/ Jennie T. Jonsson
Administrative Law Judge

Approved and confirmed March 15, 2016 as the Order of the Public Service Commission of Utah.

/s/ Thad LeVar, Chair

/s/ David R. Clark, Commissioner

/s/ Jordan A. White, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
Commission Secretary
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that on March 15, 2016, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served upon the following as indicated below:

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