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## Action Request Response

**To:** Public Service Commission of Utah

**From:** Utah Division of Public Utilities

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**Date:** April 29, 2020

**Re:** **Docket No. 19-2438-01**, Request of Pineview West Water Company for a Rate Review for Approval of a Conservation Rate Increase.

### Recommendation (Suspend)

The Utah Division of Public Utilities (Division or DPU) has reviewed this filing of a request for a rate increase by Pineview West Water Company (Company or Pineview West) and concludes that the filing is not complete according to Utah Administrative Rule R746-700-50.

The Division recommends that the Utah Public Service Commission (Commission) postpone the scheduling conference for May 5, 2020, in this instant case until such time that the Company files a complete request for a rate increase according to Utah Administrative Rule R746-700-50.

## **Issue**

On April 24, 2020, the Commission issued an Action Request for the Division to review and make recommendations concerning the application of Pineview West's request for a rate increase. Per Utah Code Section 54-7-12(2) (b) (ii), parties have 14 days after the day on which the application is received by the Commission to challenge the completeness of an application.

## **Discussion**

Rule R746-700-50 lists the specific filing requirements for a general rate case application of a water corporation. The Division analyzed and compared the information contained in Pineview West's application to the filing requirements listed in R746-700-50 and has verified that it is not a complete filing.

In the attached spreadsheet, the Division listed each filing requirement for a water company contained in R746-700-50. It made a notation if the information was provided or was not included in the rate filing.

The Division has been in contact with Pineview West and has provided them with a worksheet specifically designed to assist water corporations in ensuring that it submits a complete filing. Additionally, the Division is available via email or phone to help the Company. The Division is confident that Pineview West can complete and submit a complete filing.

## **Conclusion**

The Division recommends that the Commission require Pineview West to submit a complete filing before its request for a rate increase is considered. The Division also recommends that the Commission postpone the telephonic scheduling conference set to be held on May 5, 2020, until such time that the Company files a complete request for a rate increase according to Utah Administrative Rule R746-700-50.

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