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Recommendation

To: Public Service Commission of Utah

From: Utah Division of Public Utilities

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Date: May 29, 2020

Re: **Docket No. 19-2438-01**, An Update to the Public Service Commission as to the Completeness of Pineview West Water Company's Application for a Rate Review and Approval of a Conservation Rate Increase.

Recommendation Order Scheduling Conference

The Utah Division of Public Utilities (Division or DPU) has reviewed the additional documentation and explanation provided by the Pineview West Water Company (Company or Pineview West) to support its filing of a request for a rate increase and concludes that the filing is now complete according to Utah Administrative Rule R746-700-50.

The Division recommends that the Utah Public Service Commission (Commission or PSC) Order a Scheduling Conference for this docket.

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 also dated April 24, 2020. The Division notified the Commission, on April 29, 2020, that it had reviewed the application and concluded it was not a complete filing according to Utah Administrative Rule R746-700-50. The Commission subsequently issued an Order dated May 19, 2020, ordering the following:

1. *The Company's Application is incomplete;*
2. *The PSC finds the deficiencies in the Company's current filing are material;*
3. *The 240-day period described in Utah Code Ann. § 54-7-12(3)(a) will start over when the Company files a completed application that complies with all applicable PSC rules including those referenced in this Order.*
4. *The DPU will provide an update to the PSC as to the completeness of the Company's Application by no later than Monday, June 1, 2020.*

Discussion

To provide the necessary elements needed to complete its application, Pineview West's President, Peter Turner, and its Treasurer, Susan Allen participated in a virtual meeting as well as numerous emails back and forth with the Division providing additional commentary and documentation required to ensure a complete filing.

The Division has attached an updated spreadsheet, titled "*19-2438-01 Pineview West Complete Filing Updated EXHIBIT 1.xlsx*," that the Division initially included in its aforementioned memo dated April 29, 2020, used to show that Pineview's initial filing, of April 24, 2020, was incomplete. This updated Exhibit 1 shows the additional information provided by Pineview West to complete the application

Conclusion

The Division recommends the Commission consider Pineview West's application for a rate increase complete. The updated Exhibit 1 shows that all requirements, according to Utah Administrative Rule R746-700-50, have been met for a complete filing.

The Division also recommends the Commission, based on a complete filing, order a Scheduling Conference at its earliest convenience.

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