Notice of Sale of Wanship Cottages Water Company, Inc.

#### DOCKET NO. 22-067-01

ORDER AMENDING THE CERTIFICATE
OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY NO.
1925 PREVIOUSLY ISSUED TO WANSHIP
COTTAGES WATER COMPANY, INC.

ISSUED: October 5, 2022

#### BACKGROUND

On August 16, 2022, Wanship Cottages Water Company, Inc. ("Wanship Cottages") notified ("Notification") the Public Service Commission (PSC) of its pending sale, corporate reorganization, and name change to Wanship Water Company, LLC ("Wanship").

Wanship Cottages holds Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 1925 ("CCN") pursuant to which it provides culinary and domestic water to single family dwellings within its service area, originally granted by PSC order in Case No. 7079. The Notification states that other than Tariff Order No. 88-067-01, issued June 1, 1988, Wanship Cottages' tariff has not been updated or amended. It explains that there are no publicly available records regarding Wanship Cottages in the possession of the Division of Public Utilities ("DPU"). Wanship Cottages generally serves part-time and full-time homes within the Wanship Cottages subdivision located directly below Echo Reservoir Dam near Wanship, Utah, Sec. 29, T1N, R5E, SLBM. The Notification represents that the Utah Division of Drinking Water ("DDW") lists Wanship Cottages as serving 30 connections.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Wanship originally applied for its CCN during fiscal year 1978, but the CCN was issued during fiscal year 1980.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The CCN states Wanship Cottages is serving 15 connections.

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On September 9, 2022, DPU filed comments recommending the PSC acknowledge the sale and name change. DPU confirms the sale will not conflict with or adversely affect the company's operations, or result in the extension or expansion into the territory, of any existing certificated public utility supplying culinary water. DPU explains the sale will bring much-needed financial sustainability by providing financial and professional assistance to Wanship Cottages. Wanship wishes to initiate a long-overdue water rate increase to address infrastructure repairs, proper fire flows, and compliance with DDW requirements. DPU states Wanship reports that informal customer discussions indicate customer support for a rate increase to address several critical issues.

#### **DISCUSSION**

DPU's comments indicate Wanship's customers will likely benefit from the sale, corporate reorganization, and anticipated upgrades to Wanship's infrastructure. Wanship reports that informal customer discussions also show customer support for Wanship's plans to upgrade its system and address other critical system issues. The Notification shows Wanship updated its new name and regulatory contact information with DPU.

#### ORDER

Based on the PSC's review of the Notification and DPU's comments and recommendation, and since no party opposes the sale, corporate reorganization, and name change to "Wanship Water Company, LLC", the PSC concludes that the sale, corporate reorganization, and the name change warrant an amendment to Wanship's original CCN No.

1925 to "Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 1925," reflecting its new business

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organization and name. The amended CPCN is attached as <u>Exhibit A</u>. The PSC directs Wanship to file an updated map of its service territory either prior to, or in conjunction with, its anticipated rate increase request.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, October 5, 2022.

/s/ Thad LeVar, Chair

/s/ David R. Clark, Commissioner

/s/ Ron Allen, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg PSC Secretary DW#325757

## Notice of Opportunity for Agency Review or Rehearing

Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §§ 63G-4-301 and 54-7-15, a party may seek agency review or rehearing of this written order by filing a request for review or rehearing with the PSC within 30 days after the issuance of the order. Responses to a request for agency review or rehearing must be filed within 15 days of the filing of the request for review or rehearing. If the PSC fails to grant a request for review or rehearing within 30 days after the filing of a request for review or rehearing, it is deemed denied. Judicial review of the PSC's final agency action may be obtained by filing a Petition for Review with the Utah Supreme Court within 30 days after final agency action. Any Petition for Review must comply with the requirements of Utah Code Ann. §§ 63G-4-401, 63G-4-403, and the Utah Rules of Appellate Procedure.

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## EXHIBIT A

#### - BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

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# AMENDED CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

ISSUED: October 5, 2022

The Public Service Commission of Utah, pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 54-4-25, amends CCN No. 1925 to Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 1925 authorizing WANSHIP WATER COMPANY, LLC to provide culinary and domestic water to single family dwellings within its service area, within the State of Utah.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, October 5, 2022.

/s/ Thad LeVar, Chair

/s/ David R. Clark, Commissioner

/s/ Ron Allen, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg PSC Secretary DW#325757

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that on October 5, 2022, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served upon the following as indicated below:

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