

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Division of Public Utilities

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Action Request Response

To: Public Service Commission of Utah

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Re: Docket No. 23-2443-01, In the Matter of WaterPro Inc.'s Application for Culinary

Water Rate Increase.

Recommendation (Acknowledge)

The Utah Division of Public Utilities (Division) recommends that the Public Service Commission of Utah (Commission) acknowledge the filing and accept it as substantially complete.

Issue

On May 9, 2023, the Division received an Action Request from the Commission to review and make recommendations pertaining to the application of WaterPro, Inc. (Company or WaterPro) for an increase in Culinary Water Rates. The following is the Division's response.

Background

On March 3, 2023, WaterPro filed with the Commission a Notice of Intent for a rate increase of culinary water rates. WaterPro's last rate increase was effective October 1, 2022, but the Company would like to promote water conservation and bring water rates more in line with the cost of service. The proposed changes generally will not increase rates but will modify

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the volumetric levels of each tier, which will encourage water conservation by customers and better capture the cost of service associated with increasing water use. The Company believes the modifications will provide a more equitable distribution of cost and improve conservation. On May 9, 2023, the Company submitted its application to the Commission, with the required information as mandated by Rule 746-700-50. The Division has reviewed the Company's application with the accompanying required documentation and found the application to be comprehensive and substantially complete.

Conclusion

The Division concludes that WaterPro's Application for Culinary Water Rate Increase is substantially complete and recommends the Commission acknowledge the filing.

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