

1                   **WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF DARRIN JENSEN-PETERSON**

2                   **2025 Water Rate Increase Application (Docket #25-2443-01)**

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4   **Q.     Please state your name, business address, and present position with WaterPro Inc.**  
5           **(the “Company”), a subsidiary of Draper Irrigation Company.**

6   A.     My name is Darrin Jensen-Peterson, my business address is 12421 South 800 East,  
7           Draper, Utah, and I am the Chief Executive Officer and General Manager of the  
8           Company.

9   **Q.     Briefly describe your educational and professional background.**

10 A.     I have served as the Company’s Chief Executive Officer and General Manager since  
11         2008. From 1999 to 2008, I served as the Company’s Chief Financial Officer and  
12         Comptroller. I have a Bachelor’s Degree from the University of Utah in business and  
13         finance. Additionally, I served on the Conservation Board of the American Water Works  
14         Association (AWWA) from 2008 to 2011 and a variety of other boards over my career. I  
15         am a member of Rural Water of Utah Association and American Water Works  
16         Association (AWWA).

17 **Q.     What are your responsibilities as the Chief Executive Officer and General Manager**  
18 **of the Company?**

19 A.     As a wholly-owned subsidiary of Draper Irrigation Company, WaterPro is a water  
20         company that is ultimately owned by its more than 8,300 customers. As the Chief  
21         Executive Officer and General Manager of the Company, I have the responsibility to  
22         make sure that the Company provides its customers with clean, safe, and affordable  
23         drinking water.

24 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

25 A. The fundamental purpose of my testimony is to introduce our case requesting an increase  
26 in water rates for our customers. Without an increase in rates, the Company is currently  
27 projected to operate at an increasing loss and will be unable to make necessary capital  
28 improvements and continue to provide its high standard of service to its customers. To  
29 be clear, the capital improvements we are projecting in connection with this rate request  
30 are improvements necessary to continue operating our current system and serving our  
31 current customers efficiently. These are not improvements intended to help us deal with  
32 new service connections, which are addressed through impact fees. The requested  
33 increase of 9.5% is recommended by our independent consulting engineers and represents  
34 our Board of Director's best effort to balance the Company's need for increased revenue  
35 against the interests of our customers.

36 **Q. Please identify the other witness to be called by the Company to support the**  
37 **application.**

38 A. Josh Bean, who is employed by Bowen Collins & Associates, our third-party consulting  
39 engineering firm, has filed direct testimony and will testify concerning the Company's  
40 overall revenue requirements based on the forecasted results of operations. This will  
41 form the basis for our requested rate increase.

42 **Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?**

43 A. Yes.