



Idaho Public Utilities Commission

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Case No. FLS-W-20-04

Order No. 34774

Telephonic hearing, online public workshop scheduled in proposed acquisition of eastern Idaho water company

BOISE (Sept. 16, 2020) - The Idaho Public Utilities Commission is hosting a telephonic public hearing and Commission staff will host an online public workshop to share information regarding an application from Falls Water Co. to acquire the assets of the Morning View Water Company.

Falls Water, which is regulated by the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, has operated a water system near Idaho Falls since 1958, and serves about 5,500 customers. Falls Water also is a subsidiary of NW Natural Water of Idaho, LLC, which through its parent companies is owned by NW Natural Holdings. Morning View also is regulated by the commission, and serves approximately 118 residential customers in and around Rigby.

Under the proposed acquisition, Falls Water would acquire and operate the Morning View water system. In addition, Falls Water is not requesting any change to rates or rate structure at this time.

Those interested in the proposed acquisition can attend an online public workshop on Wednesday, Sept. 30, starting at 6:00 p.m. (MDT). The workshop will provide customers with an overview of the application and commission staff's analysis of how Falls Water's acquisition of Morning View's water system will impact each company's customers. During the workshop, commission staff will be available to answer questions and explain how customers may participate in future proceedings. Falls Water representatives also will be available to answer questions.

The commission is located at 11331 W. Chinden Boulevard, Building 8, Suite 201-A. Because of health concerns regarding Covid-19, the public is encouraged to participate through the online workshop instead of in person.

Those interested can participate by calling 1-415-655-0001, and entering access code 133 427 6105. Participation also can be done online by visiting idahogov.webex.com and entering 133 427 6105. At the next window, participants will be asked to enter their name, e-mail address and the password WednesdayHearing.

On Wednesday, Oct. 7, the commission is hosting a telephonic hearing at 6:00 p.m. (MDT) to allow those interested in the proposed acquisition to formally submit testimony. Testimony can

be submitted by calling 1-800-920-7487 and entering 6674832# when prompted. Those planning on testifying are encouraged to start calling in to the hearing at 5:30 p.m. (MDT) on Oct. 7.

To identify callers and manage the hearing efficiently, those interested in testifying are encouraged to contact Adam Rush at adam.rush@puc.idaho.gov or call 1-208-334-0339 and provide their name and the telephone number they will be calling in on. Please provide this information no later than 4:00 p.m. (MDT) on Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2020. Additional callers will not be prohibited from testifying, but will be accommodated after the identified callers have testified.

Written comments on the proposed acquisition are being accepted until Oct. 15, 2020. To comment by e-mail, please visit www.puc.idaho.gov. Click on the “Consumers” tab, then “Case Comment Form” and complete the form using case number FLS-W-20-04. Comments sent via e-mail must also be e-mailed to Falls Water at the e-mail addresses listed below.

Written comments also can be mailed to:

For the Idaho Public Utilities Commission:

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Comments that are mailed to the public utilities commission must also be mailed to Falls Water.

For additional information on the proposed acquisition, please visit
puc.idaho.gov/case/Details/6544.