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NEWS RELEASE: Commission schedules online public workshop to share information on proposed Falls Water Company rate increase.

BOISE (Dec. 18, 2020) – The Idaho Public Utilities Commission will host a live, virtual public workshop on Jan. 5 to share information regarding an application from Falls Water Company to raise the rates it charges for water service. Falls Water provides municipal water service to a portion of Bonneville County east of Idaho Falls and north of Ammon.

Falls Water proposes to raise rates between 11.2 percent and 27.3 percent, depending on the rate class customers are in. The customers affected are classified as residential, multi-family or commercial. In addition, the size of the meter determines how much rates would increase. For example, if the application was approved, residential 1” meter customers would see an increase of 23.8 percent, increasing their average bill from \$27.86 to \$34.49. Company revenues would increase by \$344,175. This represents a 19.12 percent increase.

The table below illustrates the proposed rate changes for all of the utility’s customers.

Rate Class	Current Rate Average Bill	Proposed Rate Average Bill	Percentage Increase	Percentage of Total Customers
Residential 5/8” & 3/4” Meters	\$25.45	\$29.96	17.7%	76.51%
Residential 1” Meters	\$27.86	\$34.49	23.8%	19.99%
Residential 1 1/2” Meters	\$52.40	\$59.98	14.5%	0.16%
Residential 2” Meters	\$51.25	\$43.31	-15.5%	0.02%
Commercial 5/8” & 3/4” Meters	\$24.58	\$27.48	11.8%	0.77%
Commercial 1” Meters	\$41.98	\$50.40	20.1%	0.13%
Commercial 1 1/2” Meters	\$125.11	\$159.32	27.3%	0.16%
Commercial 2” Meters	\$77.68	\$96.07	23.7%	0.75%
Commercial 4” Meters	\$87.85	\$97.66	11.2%	0.05%
Multi-Family 5/8” & 3/4” Meters	\$30.55	\$36.43	19.2%	0.72%
Multi-Family 1” Meters	\$43.05	\$51.47	19.6%	0.50%
Multi-Family 1 1/2” Meters	\$74.28	\$92.44	24.5%	0.02%
Multi-Family 2” Meters	\$65.19	\$76.91	18.0%	0.22%
Multi-Family 4” Meters	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	0%

The commission will host a live, online workshop on Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. (MST). To participate online, please visit idahogov.webex.com, and enter this meeting information: 177 343 7276. At the next window, enter your name, e-mail address and this password: Jan5Workshop. To participate via the phone, please call 1-415-655-0001 and enter this access code: 177 343 7276.

Commission staff will give a presentation, and will be available to answer questions.

Those interested in submitting written comments on the application can do so. Comments are due by Jan. 11, 2021. Written comments must contain a statement of reasons supporting them.

Comments can be mailed or e-mailed to:

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These comments should contain this case caption: In the matter of Falls Water Company's application for an order authorizing increases in the company's rates and charges for water service in the state of Idaho. Written comments also should contain this case number: Case No. FLS-W-20-03. In addition to the mailing addresses and e-mail addresses above, written comments can be submitted through the commission's website at www.puc.idaho.gov. Please

click on the “Case Comment Form” link on the lower right side of the page and complete the comment form using this case number: FLS-W-20-03.

For additional information on Falls Water Company’s application, please visit:
puc.idaho.gov/case/Details/6530.