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NEWS RELEASE: Commission will hold workshops and customer hearing on water utility's application to increase rates.

BOISE (**Feb. 20, 2025**) – Idaho Public Utilities Commission staff will hold workshops and a customer hearing regarding a northern Idaho water utility's application to increase rates.

Priest Lake Water, LLC serves 72 customers in the Marvin Estates Subdivision near Priest Lake, Idaho. When the subdivision is completely built out, Priest Lake Water could serve up to 113 lots. The utility is asking for commission approval to increase rates from the current single flat monthly rate of \$37 to a flat monthly rate of \$98 for residential customers and a flat monthly rate of \$100 for commercial customers.

The commission can approve, deny or modify the application.

Staff will present an overview of the utility's application and respond to questions on Thursday, Feb. 27, during an online workshop. It will begin at 6:00 p.m. (PST) and conclude at 8:00 p.m. or until all questions have been answered, whichever comes first. Those interested in participating online can visit idahogov.webex.com and enter meeting number 2870 734 7431 (no spaces between numbers). Then, click on the green "Join" button. At the next window, please enter this password: PriestLake. Next, please click on the green "Join Webinar" button. At the next window, please enter your name and e-mail address, and then click on the "Next" button. Then click on the green "Join Webinar" button.

To participate over the phone, please call 1-415-655-0001 and enter meeting number 2870 734 7431 when prompted.

For those unable to attend the workshop, a recording of it will be posted in the News Updates section at puc.idaho.gov on Feb. 28.

Commission staff will hold an in-person workshop on Tuesday, March 4, from 6:00 p.m. (PST) until 8:00 p.m. to present an overview of the utility's application and answer questions. The

workshop may conclude before 8:00 p.m. if all questions have been answered before then. The workshop will be held at the Inn at Priest Lake, 5310 Dickensheet Road, Coolin, ID, 83821.

An in-person customer hearing will be held Wednesday, April 16, to take testimony for the record. The hearing will begin at 6:00 p.m. (PDT) and conclude at 8:00 p.m. or after all testimony has been taken, whichever comes first. The hearing will be held at the Inn at Priest Lake, 5310 Dickensheet Road, Coolin, ID, 83821. In-person attendance is required to submit testimony. Those who want to listen to the hearing remotely can do so by calling 1-415-655-0001 and entering meeting number 2869 925 1196 when prompted.

Additional information on the utility's application is available at: puc.idaho.gov/case/Details/7451.