BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BAR CIRCLE "S" WATER COMPANY FOR AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH COMMERCIAL FIRE PROTECTION TARIFF RATES.	)))))))))))))

CASE NO. BCS-W-05-1

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YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on April 22, 2005, Robert Turnipseed, president of Bar Circle "S" Water Co. (Bar Circle; Company) filed an Application with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (Commission) requesting authority to establish commercial fire protection tariff rates. Bar Circle is located in Hayden, Idaho and provides water service to approximately 129 customers.

Bar Circle does not currently have an approved commercial fire protection tariff. As reflected in its Application, at the request of Waterford Park LLC, a boat and RV condominium storage facility, the Company entered into an agreement with Waterford to provide fire protection service required for the facility. Attached to the Application is a copy of the Waterford agreement and a copy of the engineer's master plan for the storage facility that shows the location of water lines, fire hydrants and sprinkler service lines that are being installed to meet the fire protection requirements. Waterford is paying the cost to move existing lines and install new lines and hydrants.

Bar Circle states that it must dedicate a large portion of its existing storage reservoir to the fire suppression leads of the Waterford facility. The Company reports that nearly a third of Bar Circle's existing reservoir will be dedicated to meeting the required 53,400-gallon storage requirement.

Bar Circle anticipates that additional growth will occur in the area in the near future and that the Company will expand to serve new customers. Because of the large portion of the existing reservoir that will be dedicated to fire protection for the Waterford facility, the Company

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states that it will need to construct additional storage to meet its growth requirement sooner than anticipated. Attached to the Company's Application is an engineering estimate for the construction of a new 20,000-gallon reservoir. Total cost of the new reservoir is expected to be $90,000.

Bar Circle requests approval of commercial fire protection rates as follows:

Monthly rate for commercial private hydrants $146.05

Monthly rate for commercial sprinklers per connection $ 97.65

The rates were developed using the cost of the new reservoir that could be avoided were it not for the dedication of a portion of the Company's existing facilities. Because the new reservoir is much smaller than the dedicated portion of the Company's existing reservoir, the Company believes its calculations are conservative. The fire protection rates when applied to the entire Waterford facility, the Company contends, will generate monthly revenue of $1,121.68.

As reflected in attachments to the Company's Application, the dedicated portion of the existing reservoir is the equivalent of 23 residential customers' average daily requirements during the peak season of the year. The fire flow requirement for the Waterford facility, the Company contends, is nearly twice the average demand of the existing residential customers connected to the system.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has reviewed the filings of record in Case No. BCS-W-05-1. The Commission has preliminarily found that the public interest in this matter may not require a technical hearing to consider the issues presented and that issues raised by the Company's filing may be processed under **Modified Procedure**, i.e., by written submission rather than by hearing. Reference Commission Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201-204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the **deadline for filing written comments or protests** with respect to Bar Circle's Application and the use of Modified Procedure in Case No. BCS-W-05-1 is **Friday, June 3, 2005**.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the deadline, the Commission may consider the matter on its merits and may enter its Order without a formal hearing. If comments or protests are filed within the deadline, the Commission will consider them and in its discretion may set the matter for hearing or may

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decide the matter and issue its Order based on the written positions before it. Reference IDAPA 31.01.01.204.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that written comments concerning Case No. BCS-W-05-1 should be mailed to the Commission and the Company at the address reflected below.

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All comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this document. Persons desiring to submit comments via e-mail may do so by accessing the Commission's home page located at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click the "Comments and Questions" icon, and complete the comment form, using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. These comments must also be sent to the Applicant at the address listed above.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application in Case No. BCS-W-05-1 may be viewed at www.puc.idaho.gov by clicking on "File Room" and "Water Cases," or can be viewed during regular business hours at the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, 472 W. Washington Street, Boise, Idaho or by contacting the Company's general business office at (208) 665-9200.

DATED at Boise, Idaho this 11th day of May 2005.
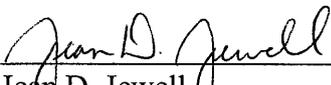
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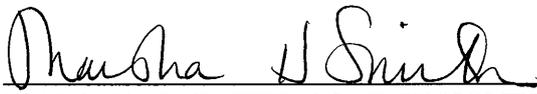
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