### **DECISION MEMORANDUM**

## TO: COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER COMMISSIONER SMITH COMMISSIONER REDFORD COMMISSION SECRETARY COMMISSION STAFF

### FROM: DONOVAN E. WALKER

### DATE: SEPTEMBER 14, 2007

# SUBJECT: BRIAN WATER'S APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN RATES, CASE NO. BRN-W-07-01

On September 10, 2007, Brian Water Corporation filed a one-page Application to increase its rates. The Company did not request an effective date for its proposed new rates.

### THE APPLICATION

The Company states that its last rate increase was in 2001. The Company proposes to raise its current rate of \$10.50 per month for the first 4,000 gallons to \$15.00 per month. The Company proposes no change to the charge of \$1.08/1,000 gallons of use over the initial 4,000 per month. The Company states that it has incurred \$12,000 in additional repair expenses, increased electric rates, and will need additional funds to replace aging meters.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Company's Application be processed by Modified Procedure. Because the request to increase rates will require an extensive audit, and because of the current workload and pending general rate cases at the Commission, Staff recommends that a comment deadline be set for January 25, 2008.

### **COMMISSION DECISION**

Does the Commission preliminarily find that the public interest may not require a hearing to consider the issues presented, and that this proceeding may be processed under Modified Procedure as requested by the Company and recommended by Staff?

Donovan E. Walker