## **BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION **OF FALLS WATER CO., INC., FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS RATES** AND CHARGES FOR WATER SERVICE IN THE STATE OF IDAHO

CASE NO. FLS-W-23-01 **NOTICE OF VACATED CUSTOMER HEARING NOTICE OF CONTINUED SUSPENSION ORDER NO. 35963** 

On May 12, 2023, Falls Water Co., Inc., ("Falls Water" or "Company") applied to the Idaho Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") for authorization to raise the rates it charges for water service. The Company filed a corrected Application on May 15, 2023 ("Application"). The Company requested an approximate 47.3 percent increase in revenue collected and a 7.71 percent rate of return. The Company requested a July 1, 2023, effective date.

On June 5, 2023, the Commission issued a Notice of Application, Notice of Suspension of Proposed Effective Date, and Notice of Intervention Deadline.<sup>1</sup> Order No. 35806.

On August 2, 2023, the Commission issued a Notice of Modified Procedure and scheduled a virtual public workshop. Order No. 35872.

On September 7, 2023, the Commission scheduled a Customer Hearing for October 23, 2023. Order No. 35914.

Anticipating a proposed settlement being filed, on October 17, 2023, at the Commission's Decision Meeting, Staff recommended the Commission vacate the October 23, 2023, Customer Hearing set in Order No. 35914 and extend the suspension from December 1, 2023, as set in Order No. 35806 until December 15, 2023, pursuant to its authority under Idaho Code § 61-622(4). Staff recommended that the Commission schedule a Customer Hearing after the proposed settlement is filed.

The Commission now issues this Notice vacating the Customer Hearing and extending the suspension.

<sup>1</sup> The Commission suspended the Company's proposed effective date for five months opposed to the standard 30 days plus five months as allowed under Idaho Code § 61-622(4). NOTICE OF VACATED CUSTOMER HEARING NOTICE OF CONTINUED SUSPENSION **ORDER NO. 35963** 1

## NOTICE OF VACATED CUSTOMER HEARING

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Customer Hearing set for October 23, 2023, at the Idaho Falls Public Library, 457 West Broadway, Idaho Falls, Idaho, is vacated.

## NOTICE OF CONTINUED SUSPENSION

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission finds that the effective date of December 1, 2023, as established by Order No. 35806, does not provide adequate time to review the anticipated proposed settlement and to consider public input. Pursuant to *Idaho Code* § 61-622(4) the Commission extends the suspension of the Company's proposed effective date until December 15, 2023.

## ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the October 23, 2023, Customer Hearing is vacated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that suspension of the Company's proposed effective date is extended until December 15, 2023.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that parties comply with Order No. 35375, issued April 21, 2022. Generally, all pleadings should be filed with the Commission electronically and will be deemed timely filed when received by the Commission Secretary. Rule 14.02. Service between parties should continue to be accomplished electronically when possible. However, voluminous discovery-related documents may be filed and served on CD-ROM or a USB flash drive.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October 2023.

ERIC ANDERSON, PRESIDENT

OHN R. HAMMOND JR., COMMISSIONER

EDWARD LODGE, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Jan Noriyuki Commission Secretary

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