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 COMMENT DEADLINES ORDER NO. 35975

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.¹ 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.

On October 13, 2023, the Commission issued a Notice of Amended Comment Deadline moving the public comment deadline to October 26, 2023. Order No 35960.

On October 20, 2023, the Commission issued a Notice of Vacated Customer Hearing and a Notice of Continued Suspension changing the suspended effective date until December 15, 2023, and vacating the established customer hearing until a later one can be scheduled. Order No. 35963.

At the Commission's October 24, 2023, Decision Meeting, Staff presented a Decision Memorandum recommending the Commission vacate the October 26, 2023, public comment deadline and November 2, 2023, Company reply deadline established by Order Nos. 35872 and 35960. Staff indicated the parties would propose additional procedure when the proposed settlement was filed.

¹ 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).

The Commission issues this Notice vacating the public comment and Company reply deadlines.

NOTICE OF VACATED COMMENT DEADLINES

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the public comment deadline established by Order No. 35960 and the Company reply deadline established by Order No. 35872 have been vacated to allow the parties time to file a proposed settlement.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the parties will recommend additional procedure when the proposed settlement is filed. This procedure will provide opportunity for public comment and a customer hearing.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the October 26, 2023, public comment deadline is vacated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the November 2, 2023, Company reply deadline is vacated.

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.

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DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 30th day of October 2023.

ERIC ANDERSON, PRESIDENT

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Commission Secretary

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