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Sent: Wednesday, August 25, 2021 9:37 AM
To: Dayn Hardie
Subject: RE: Eagle Water Company Acquisition Case

Dayn,

I have spoken with my client, Eagle Water Customer Group (EWCG) regarding the question of potentially adopting a Modified Procedure in this matter.

A Technical Hearing was held in the South County Water Company/United Water Idaho sale and transfer case no. UWI-W-98-2 [19981119Order No 27798.pdf \(idaho.gov\)](#). That matter resolved several of the same issues involved in this matter (e.g., purchase price v. value; acquisition adjustment; large percentage rate increase; proposed 5-year phase-in for rate-increase; and customer billing matters). An opportunity for cross-examination of witnesses by the Commissioners, PUC attorneys, and counsel for the parties seems appropriate in this matter, as well.

EWCG therefore does not support adoption of a Modified Procedure in this matter and requests that a Technical Hearing instead be held. We understand that this will not change the overall schedule/timeline for a Commission decision, but believe it is important to the process, given the nature of the matter and the issues to be resolved by the Commissioners.

Thank you.

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Hi all,

As we discussed today, here are the issues Staff plans to address along with the dates and procedure that will be recommended to the Commission at next week's decision meeting (August 31st). Please note that the date for the technical hearing, if needed, has been moved to November 15th—from November 4th—due to a scheduling conflict with the Commissioners. The proposed schedule also includes a customer workshop and a customer hearing—neither of which we discussed during today's meeting.

Staff Key Issues/Concerns

Purchase Price

\$10.5 million (increased in Supplemental)

Acquisition Adjustment

Value received

Savings

Avoided costs

Investments on both systems

Necessity of each

Safety and Security

All others

Rate Transition

5-year phase-in

Updated in the supplemental

Customer Billings and Tariff Changes

For EWC Customers

Surcharge Value

Use as a transition

Schedule

August 27, 2021

Party positions by noon

September 14, 2021

Settlement Meeting (9:30 am to 12:30 pm)

(Preston will send Zoom invite)

October 5, 2021 Staff Customer Workshop (6 pm)

October 13, 2021 Comments or prefile testimony

October 20, 2021 Reply Comments or rebuttal

November 15, 2021 Public Customer Hearing (6 pm)

November 16, 2021 Technical Hearing (9 am to 5 pm)

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

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