

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. W-354, SUB 411  
DOCKET NO. W-1148, SUB 22

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of  
Application by Carolina Water Service, Inc. of )  
North Carolina, and Mountain Air Utilities )  
Corporation for Authority to Transfer the ) ORDER CONTINUING  
Mountain Air Water and Wastewater Utility ) HEARING  
Systems and Public Utility Franchise in Yancey )  
County, North Carolina, and for Approval of Rates )

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On September 26, 2022, Carolina Water Service, Inc. of North Carolina (CWSNC), and Mountain Air Utilities Corporation (Mountain Air), filed with the Commission an Application for Transfer of Public Utility Franchise and for Approval of Rates (Application) seeking authority to transfer the water and wastewater utility systems and public utility franchise serving the Mountain Air Development in Yancey County, North Carolina, from Mountain Air to CWSNC and approval of rates.

On June 5, 2023, the Commission issued an Order Scheduling Hearings, Establishing Discovery Guidelines, and Requiring Customer Notice (Scheduling Order) scheduling, among other things, an expert witness hearing beginning at 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, August 15, 2023, in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

On August 11, 2022, CWSNC and the Public Staff requested that the Commission continue the expert witness until the week of August 21, 2023, and in support of their request, provided that CWSNC and the Public Staff have the basis of a settlement agreement and are working with all parties to reach settlement of the issues. Additionally, CWSNC and the Public Staff provided that Company counsel has an unresolvable conflict on the morning of August 15, 2023, and that the parties need additional time to prepare for the hearing in light of settlement negotiations.

Based on the foregoing, and the entire record herein, the Presiding Commissioner finds good cause to grant CWSNC and the Public Staff's request and continue the expert witness hearing in this matter to Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at 1:00 p.m.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 14th day of August, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tamika D. Conyers". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'T' and 'C'.

Tamika D. Conyers, Deputy Clerk