

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. W-1034, SUB 13

In the Matter of)	
Application of Water Resources, Inc.,)	SUPPLEMENTAL
for Authority to Adjust and Increase Rates)	TESTIMONY OF
for Water Utility Service in Rocky River)	EVAN M. HOUSER
Plantation Subdivision in Cabarrus County)	PUBLIC STAFF –
and River Walk Subdivision in)	NORTH CAROLINA
Mecklenburg County, North Carolina)	UTILITIES COMMISSION

April 26, 2024

1 **Q. Please state your name, business address, and present position.**

2 A. My name is Evan M. Houser. My business address is 430 North Salisbury
3 Street, Dobbs Building, Raleigh, North Carolina. I am a Public Utilities
4 Engineer with the Water, Sewer, and Telephone Division of the Public Staff
5 – North Carolina Utilities Commission (Public Staff).

6 **Q. Are you the same Evan M. Houser who filed direct testimony on behalf**
7 **of the Public Staff in this proceeding on April 12, 2024?**

8 A. Yes.

9 **Q. Are your qualifications and duties the same as stated in your direct**
10 **testimony?**

11 A. Yes.

12 **Q. What is the purpose of your supplemental testimony.**

13 A. The purpose of my supplemental testimony is to provide updates to the
14 Public Staff’s recommended rates following changes to the service revenue
15 requirements recommended by Public Staff Witness Feasel.

16 **Q. What are the updated service revenue requirements recommended by**
17 **Public Staff Witness Feasel?**

18 A. Public Staff Witness Feasel has advised me that the updated service
19 revenue requirements are \$138,027 and \$38,706 for the Rocky River and
20 River Walk service areas respectively.

1 **Q. What are the revised recommended rates?**

2 A. The Public Staff recommends the following:

3 Rocky River

4 Base Charge, zero usage:

5 Residential \$ 26.32

6 Bulk (McMillan Acres) \$ 447.44

7 Usage Charge, per 1,000 gallons \$ 11.87

8 River Walk

9 Base Charge, zero usage:

10 Residential \$ 24.79

11 Usage Charge, per 1,000 gallons \$ 13.88

12 My revised calculations can be found in **Revised Houser Exhibit 2**.

13 The Public Staff's revised recommended rates would result in a 215%
14 increase in the average customer bill in the Rocky River subdivision and a
15 10.5% increase in the average customer bill for a customer in the River
16 Walk subdivision.

17 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

18 A. Yes, it does.

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Revenue at Public Staff Recommended Rates

PS Recommended Rates

WATER

Billing Type	Usage	Usage Rate	Usage Revenue	EOP Customers	EOP x 12 months	Base Charge	Base Charge Revenue	Total Revenue
Rocky River								
< 1"	7,091,541	\$11.87	\$84,177	114	1,368	\$26.32	\$36,006	\$120,182
4" Meter	1,052,127	\$11.87	\$12,489	1	12	\$447.44	\$5,369	\$17,858
Total Rocky River	8,143,668		\$96,665	115	1,380		\$41,375	\$138,040
River Walk								
< 1"	1,952,928	\$13.88	\$27,107	39	468	\$24.79	\$11,602	\$38,708
Total River Walk	1,952,928		\$27,107	39	468		\$11,602	\$38,708
Total Revenue:								\$176,749

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the foregoing has been served on all parties of record or their attorneys, or both, in accordance with Commission Rule R1-39, by United States Mail, first class or better; by hand delivery; or by means of facsimile or electronic delivery upon agreement of the receiving party.

This the 26th day April, 2024.

Electronically submitted
/s/ Gina C. Holt
Staff Attorney