STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. W-1141, SUB 8

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of	
Application by 904 Georgetown) ORDER REVISING
Treatment Plant, LLC, for Authority to) TIME OF EXPERT WITNESS
Increase Rates for Sewer Utility Service) HEARING AND ALLOWING FILING
in Sandpiper Bay Golf and Country Club) OF STIPULATION AND
in Brunswick County, North Carolina	SUPPORTING TESTIMONY

BY THE HEARING EXAMINER: On July 7, 2023, in the above-captioned docket, 904 Georgetown Treatment Plant, LLC (904 Georgetown or Applicant), filed an application with the Commission seeking authority to increase its rates for providing sewer utility service in Sandpiper Bay Golf and Country Club in Brunswick County, North Carolina.

On July 31, 2023, the Commission issued an Order Establishing General Rate Case and Suspending Rates, which declared this proceeding to be a general rate case and suspended the proposed new rates for up to 270 days pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-134.

On August 21, 2023, the Commission issued an Order Scheduling Hearings, Establishing Discovery Guidelines, and Requiring Customer Notice (Scheduling Order). By the Scheduling Order, the Commission, among other things, scheduled an expert witness hearing at 1:00 p.m., on Monday, November 13, 2023, in Raleigh, North Carolina. On August 29, 2023, the Applicant filed its Certificate of Service stating that customer notice was provided as required in the Scheduling Order.

On October 17, 2023, the Public Staff filed Notice of Affidavit and Affidavit of John R. Hinton, Director of the Economic Research Division; the Testimony and Exhibits of Evan M. Houser, Public Utilities Engineer, Water, Sewer, and Telephone Division, and Iris Morgan, Public Utilities Regulatory Analyst with the Accounting Division, Water, Sewer, and Telecommunications.

On November 1, 2023, the Applicant filed Rebuttal Testimony of Julie Perry, Principal Utility Consultant and Co-Owner of Peedin & Perry Consulting, LLC.

On November 9, 2023, in a filing with the Commission, the Applicant notified the Hearing Examiner, among other things, that a verbal settlement had been reached between 904 Georgetown and the Public Staff resolving all contested issues in this proceeding. There are no other parties to this proceeding.

Based upon the foregoing, the Hearing Examiner finds good cause to revise the time of the hearing on November 13, 2023, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. to allow the Applicant and the Public Staff (the Stipulating Parties) to file the Settlement Agreement and Stipulation (Stipulation) along with the testimony in support of the Stipulation in the docket prior to the start of the expert witness hearing.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

- 1. That the expert witness hearing in this proceeding is rescheduled to begin on Monday, November 13, 2023, at 3:00 p.m., in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 N. Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina; and
- 2. That the Stipulating Parties shall file the Stipulation along with the testimony in support of the Stipulation in the docket prior to the start of the expert witness hearing.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 13th day of November, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk