

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. W-354, SUB 400

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of	
Application by Carolina Water Service, Inc. of North Carolina for Authority to Adjust and Increase Rates and Charges for Water and Sewer Utility Service in All Service Areas of North Carolina and Approval of a Three-Year Water and Sewer Investment Plan)
) MOTION OF THE PUBLIC STAFF FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME NUNC PRO TUNC

NOW COMES the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission, by and through its Executive Director, Christopher J. Ayers, and respectfully moves the North Carolina Utilities Commission (Commission) to extend the deadline, nunc pro tunc, for the Public Staff to file its confidential and public versions of its proposed order and exhibit (Draft Proposed Order). In support of this motion, the Public Staff respectfully shows the Commission the following:

1. On January 31, 2022, this Commission issued an Order requiring the parties to this case to file proposed orders and/or briefs in this proceeding on or before February 2, 2022.
2. The Public Staff has worked diligently and assiduously to meet this deadline. However, difficulties arose with integrating (in Word) the joint portions of the draft proposed order with the Public Staff’s non-joint sections of the draft proposed order which discussed the Public Staff’s findings of fact and the section discussing the Public Staff’s evidence and conclusions.

3. The Public Staff was unable to rectify the integration issues prior to the close of business on February 2, 2023.

4. As of the signing of this motion, the integration issues have been resolved and the Public Staff has transmitted, after the close of business, to the Clerk the Draft Proposed Order. The Public Staff has also transmitted its Draft Proposed Order to counsel via email after the close of business.

5. The Public Staff has notified the Commission staff and attorneys for CWSNC of this issue. Counsel for CWSNC has graciously agreed to not oppose this motion.

6. The Public Staff respectfully requests the Commission extend the deadline nunc pro tunc and accept the Draft Proposed Order as being timely filed.

WHEREFORE, the Public Staff respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order granting the Public Staff an extension of time to file its Draft Proposed Order, nunc pro tunc, and accept for review and consideration the late-filed Draft Proposed Order and for such other and further relief as the Commission may deem just and proper.

Signed after the close of business this 2nd day of February, 2022.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Motion on all parties of record in accordance with Commission Rule R1-39, by United States mail, postage prepaid, first class; by hand delivery; or by means of facsimile or electronic delivery upon agreement of the receiving party.

This the 2nd day of February, 2022, after the close of business.

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