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 Treatment)	ORDER CANCELING
Plant, LLC, for Authority to Increase Rates)	PUBLIC WITNESS HEARING
for Sewer Utility Service in Sandpiper Bay)	AND REQUIRING CUSTOMER
Golf and Country Club in Brunswick County,)	NOTICE
North Carolina)	

LI, HEARING EXAMINER: On July 7, 2023, 904 Georgetown Treatment Plant, LLC (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 August 21, 2023, the Commission issued an Order Scheduling Hearings, Establishing Discovery Guidelines, and Requiring Customer Notice in the above-captioned docket that, among other things, scheduled a public witness hearing to be held on Wednesday, September 27, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., at the Brunswick County Courthouse in Bolivia, North Carolina. The public witness hearing was scheduled for the sole purpose of receiving testimony from the sewer utility customers. According to its application, the Applicant serves approximately 795 metered sewer customers in Sandpiper Bay Golf and Country Club. The August 21, 2023 Order stated that the public witness hearing is subject to cancellation if no significant protests are received from customers by the deadline stated in the customer notice.

On August 29, 2023, the Applicant filed its Certificate of Service indicating that all of its customers had been served with notice of the proposed rate increase and public witness hearing.

On September 22, 2023, the Public Staff filed a motion requesting that the public witness hearing scheduled for September 27, 2023, be canceled. In support of its motion, the Public Staff states that it has reviewed the one consumer statement of position that had been filed in this proceeding and that the consumer identified a concern regarding the rates proposed by Applicant. The Public Staff further states that the issue set forth in the consumer statement of position is well explained. The Public Staff notes that neither the Public Staff nor the Applicant have received any other customer protests made in connection with this proceeding. Finally, the Public Staff considers that neither the quantity nor contents of the filed consumer statement of position constitutes the "significant protests" necessary to avoid the cancellation provision set forth in the

Commission's August 21, 2023 Order. The Public Staff represents in its motion that the Applicant did not object to canceling the public witness hearing.

Based upon the foregoing, the Hearing Examiner finds that the public witness hearing scheduled for September 27, 2023, in Bolivia, North Carolina should be canceled and notice to customers of the cancellation should be required.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

- 1. That the public witness hearing previously scheduled for 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, September 27, 2023, at the Brunswick County Courthouse, in Bolivia, North Carolina is hereby canceled; and
- 2. That a copy of this Order shall be mailed with sufficient postage or hand delivered by 904 Georgetown Treatment Plant, LLC to all affected customers no later than September 25, 2023, and that 904 Georgetown Treatment Plant, LLC shall submit to the Commission the attached Certificate of Service, properly signed and notarized, no later than September 26, 2023.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 22nd day of September, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk

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