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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. W-632, SUB 6

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Application by John T. Billingsley, et al, 149) Penn Road, Reidsville, North Carolina 27320, for) Authority to Increase Rates for Water Utility) Service in All of Its Service Areas in Rockingham) County, North Carolina)

MOTION TO CANCEL HEARING

NOW COMES THE PUBLIC STAFF – North Carolina Utilities Commission (Public Staff), by and through its Executive Director, Christopher J. Ayers, and moves that the hearing previously scheduled on this matter be canceled. In support of this motion, the Public Staff respectfully shows unto the Commission:

1. This proceeding commenced on July 3, 2017 with the filing by John T. Billingsley, et al (Applicant), of an application seeking authority to increase its rates for providing water utility service in its all of its service areas in Rockingham County, North Carolina. In an order issued on July 24, 2017 (Order), the Commission scheduled a public hearing for 7 p.m., on November 28, 2017, in Courtroom A, 2nd Floor, of the Rockingham County Courthouse, 170 Hwy 65, Reidsville, North Carolina. The hearing was scheduled subject to cancelation if no significant protests were received from consumers by September 28, 2017.

2. The Applicant serves approximately 29 water customers. By Certificate of Service dated July 26, 2017, and filed with the Commission on September 28, 2017, the Applicant stated that the Notice to Customers was mailed or hand delivered to all affected customers by the date specified in the Order. No consumer protests have been received.

3. The Public Staff is continuing to conduct its investigation and believes that an evidentiary hearing should not be necessary. In the event that an evidentiary hearing is necessary, it could be scheduled at a later date.

WHEREFORE, the Public Staff prays:

1. That the hearing on this matter currently scheduled for November 28, 2017, be canceled;

2. That the Applicant be ordered to notify its customers of the cancelation of the hearing; and

3. For such other and further relief as the Commission may deem just and proper.

Respectfully submitted this the 5th day of October, 2017.

PUBLIC STAFF Christopher J. Ayers Executive Director

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<u>Electronically submitted</u> /s/ Elizabeth D. Culpepper Elizabeth D. Culpepper Staff Attorney

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of the foregoing upon each of the parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record by emailing them an electronic copy or by causing a paper copy of the same to be hand-delivered or deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, properly addressed to each.

This the 5th day of October, 2017.

<u>Electronically submitted</u> /s/ Elizabeth D. Culpepper Elizabeth D. Culpepper