STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. W-354, SUB 360

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application by Carolina Water Service, Inc. of North Carolina, 4944 Parkway Plaza Boulevard, Suite 375, Charlotte, North Carolina 28217, for Authority to Adjust and Increase Rates for Water and Sewer Utility Service in All of Its Service Areas in North Carolina, Except Corolla Light and Monteray Shores Service Area)))))	ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

BY THE CHAIRMAN: On April 27, 2018, Carolina Water Service, Inc. of North Carolina. (Applicant or CWSNC), filed an application with the Commission seeking authority to adjust and increase its rates for providing water and sewer utility service in all of its service areas in North Carolina, except the Corolla Light/Monteray Shores service area.

On May 22, 2018, the Commission issued an Order declaring this proceeding a general rate case, suspending rates, scheduling hearings, and requiring customer notice. Pursuant to that Order, the Public Staff and intervenors shall prefile testimony on or before September 26, 2018, and the Applicant shall prefile rebuttal testimony on or before October 5, 2018.

On October 22, 2018, this matter came on for hearing as scheduled. In open hearing, the Chairman ordered that proposed orders and/or briefs be filed within 30 days of the transcript being made available to the parties. Pursuant to that ruling, proposed orders and/or briefs are due to be filed on or before November 19, 2018.

On November 19, 2018, the Public Staff filed a motion requesting that the Commission extend the deadline for filing of proposed orders and briefs to November 27, 2018. In support of its motion, the Public Staff states that it and CWSNC "just recently agreed to a regulatory commission expense amount related to settled issues that were to be reflected in the Partial Joint Settlement Agreement and Stipulation filed on October 19, 2018." The Public Staff further states that it is preparing late-filed exhibits that reflect its updated revenue requirement, and that the Public Staff intends to file a schedule of rates based on the updated revenue requirement. The Public Staff argues that it needs the requested extension "[b]ecause of the additional work and the impending

State Holiday...." Finally, the Public Staff states that there is no opposition to its requested extension.¹

Based upon the foregoing and the entire record herein, the Chairman finds good cause to grant the Public Staff's requested extension of time for all parties to file proposed orders and briefs.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that on or before November 27, 2018, the parties may file proposed orders and/or briefs in the above-captioned proceeding.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 19th day of November, 2018.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk

¹ The Public Staff, on behalf of CWSNC, also requested that the Commission issue a notice of decision in this case; however, the Chairman withholds consideration of that request in this Order. The Commission will proceed appropriately upon receipt of the parties' proposed orders and briefs.