STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. W-1299, SUB 4

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BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Application by Dry Ridge Properties, LLC, Post Office Box 11, Barnardsville, North Carolina 28709, for Authority to Adjust and Increase Rates for Water and Sewer Utility Service in Eden Glen Mobile Home Park in Buncombe County, North Carolina

ORDER ESTABLISHING GENERAL RATE CASE AND SUSPENDING RATES

BY THE COMMISSION: On March 22, 2023, Dry Ridge Properties, LLC (Dry Ridge), filed an application with the Commission seeking authority to increase its rates for providing water and sewer utility service in Eden Glen Mobile Home Park in Buncombe County, North Carolina. On April 10, 2023, Dry Ridge filed an amended application. The amended application states that Dry Ridge serves approximately 54 metered water and sewer customers. This is the first time Dry Ridge has come before the Commission requesting an adjustment and increase in its rates.

Dry Ridge was first granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide water and sewer utility service in Glen Eden Mobile Home Park by Commission order approving transfer of franchise issued on February 1, 2012, in Docket No. W-1299, Sub 0. The present rates have been in effect since October 8, 2015, pursuant to Commission order issued in Docket Nos. M-100, Sub 138 and W-1299, Sub 1, implementing rate changes to reflect changes in the tax laws.

The Commission finds that the application constitutes a general rate case and concludes that the proposed new rates should be suspended pending investigation.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That this proceeding is declared a general rate case pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-137;

2. That the proposed new rates are suspended for up to 270 days from the proposed effective date of June 1, 2023, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-134;

3. That the test year period is established as the 12-month period ending December 31, 2021; and

4. That the Commission shall issue an order establishing discovery guidelines, scheduling hearings, and requiring customer notice at a later date.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 22nd day of May, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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