

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. W-1205, SUB 14

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of)	
Application by Clarke Utilities, Inc.,)	
223 Highway 70 East, Suite 115, Garner,)	
North Carolina 27529-4062, for Authority)	ORDER ESTABLISHING
to Increase Rates for Providing Water)	GENERAL RATE CASE
and Sewer Utility Service in All of Its)	AND SUSPENDING RATES
Service Areas in Wake and Franklin)	
Counties, North Carolina)	

BY THE COMMISSION: On March 22, 2021, Clarke Utilities, Inc. (Clarke or Applicant) filed an application with the Commission seeking authority to increase its rates for water and sewer utility service in all of its service areas in Wake and Franklin Counties, North Carolina. The Applicant serves approximately 358 water customers and 312 sewer customers. The present rates have been in effect since January 1, 2017, pursuant to the Commission's Order issued on December 6, 2016, in Docket Nos. M-100, Sub 138, and W-1205, Sub 8.

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

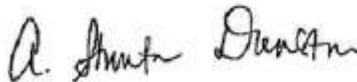
IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

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 pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-134; and.
3. 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 19th day of April, 2021.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



A. Shonta Dunston, Deputy Clerk