

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. W-1343, SUB 1

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Application by GWWTP, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Wastewater Utility Service to Ginguite Woods Subdivision in Dare County, North Carolina and for Approval of Rates	) ) ) ) ) ) )	ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE REBUTTAL TESTIMONY
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BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On January 11, 2024, GWWTP, LLC (GWWTP) filed with the Commission an Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) and for Approval of Rates (Application) seeking to provide wastewater utility service to the Southern Shores Landing/Ginguite Mixed Use Subdivision (Ginguite Woods) in Dare County, North Carolina. By Commission Order issued on January 12, 2024, GWWTP was appointed as the emergency operator of the Ginguite Woods wastewater utility system effective January 1, 2024. As the emergency operator, GWWTP currently serves 38 residential customers in Southern Shores Landing. The Ginguite Mixed-Use area is in development and currently has no customers.

On February 14, 2024, the Commission issued an Order Scheduling Hearings, Establishing Discovery Guidelines, and Requiring Customer Notice (Scheduling Order) which requires, among other things, that GWWTP's prefiled rebuttal testimony and exhibits, if any, shall be filed on or before Friday, April 19, 2024.

On April 19, 2024, GWWTP filed a Motion for Extension to Extend Time to File Rebuttal Testimony (Motion) requesting an extension of time to file rebuttal testimony to Thursday, April 25, 2024. In support of its motion, GWWTP provides that it has been engaged in settlement negotiations with the Public Staff and needs the additional time to finalize those discussions. GWWTP also notes that this extension would require extending the period within which discovery and responses thereto, set forth in Paragraph 5 of the discovery guidelines in the Scheduling Order, for an additional six days. Further, the party served should still be afforded three business days to file with the Commission objections to the discovery requests. GWWTP states that it is authorized to notify the Commission that the Public Staff does not object to this motion.

Based on the foregoing, and the entire record, the Presiding Commissioner finds good cause to grant the Motion and extend the deadline to file rebuttal testimony to Thursday, April 25, 2024; the formal discovery requests related to the GWWTP's prefiled rebuttal testimony shall be served on GWWTP not later than 3 business days after such

testimony is filed; and the party served shall have up to 3 business days to file with the Commission objections to the discovery requests on an item-by-item basis. Discovery related to rebuttal testimony shall be limited to new material introduced in such rebuttal testimony and will be carefully scrutinized upon objection that such discovery should have been sought during the initial period of discovery. All other terms and conditions of the Scheduling Order shall remain in full effect as stated in the initial order.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 19th day of April, 2024.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk