

**Attachment A**

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. W-992, SUB 7  
DOCKET NO. M-100, SUB 138

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. W-992, SUB 7	)	
	)	
In the Matter of	)	
Crosby Utilities, Inc. Tariff Filing to Reflect House	)	ORDER APPROVING
Bill 998	)	TARIFF REVISION
	)	AND REQUIRING
DOCKET NO. M-100, SUB 138	)	CUSTOMER NOTICE
	)	
In the Matter of	)	
Implementation of House Bill 998 – An Act to Simplify	)	
the North Carolina Tax Structure and to Reduce	)	
Individual and Business Tax Rates	)	

BY THE COMMISSION: Pursuant to Section 2.4.(a) of Session Law 2015-6 (House Bill (HB) 41), the Commission must adjust the rate for the sale of electricity, piped natural gas, and water and wastewater service to reflect all of the tax changes as enacted in Session Law 2013-316 (HB 998). Under G.S. 105-130.3A, as enacted in HB 998, an automatic reduction in the State corporate income tax rate from 4% to 3% will become effective for the taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2017, because certain net General Fund tax collection levels were met for the State’s fiscal year 2015-2016.

On September 19, 2016, the Commission issued its Order Requiring Revised Tariff Filings, Proposed Customer Notices, and Requesting Review and Comments by the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission (Public Staff). In the Order, the Commission concluded, among other things, that water and wastewater public utilities must adjust their rates, effective for the taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2017, to reflect the reduction from 4% to 3% in the State corporate income tax rate. Therefore, the Commission required, among other things, that all water and wastewater public utilities file revised tariffs and proposed customer notices by no later than October 12, 2016, reflecting the new rates at the 3% State corporate income tax rate. The Order further requested the Public Staff to file comments on the tariff filings and proposed customer notices by November 2, 2016. Finally, the Commission requested that the Public Staff file comments by no later than Wednesday, November 16, 2016<sup>1</sup>, that

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<sup>1</sup> On November 15, 2016, the Public Staff filed a Motion for Extension of Time to file its comments and proposed revised tariffs and customer notices for the utilities that did not timely file as required in the September 19, 2016 Order by no later than November 21, 2016. By Order dated November 15, 2016, the Commission granted the Public Staff’s Motion.

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specify the utilities that did not timely file revised tariffs and proposed customer notices. The Public Staff was further requested to file proposed revised tariffs and customer notices for those utilities.

Crosby Utilities, Inc. (Crosby or the Company) did not file its revised tariff and proposed customer notice as required in the September 19, 2016 Order.

On November 21, 2016, the Public Staff filed its comments as requested in the September 19, 2016 Order. The Public Staff provided a proposed tariff and customer notice for Crosby to reflect the January 1, 2017 reduction in the State corporate income tax rate from 4% to 3%.

Based on the record of evidence in these dockets, the Commission finds it appropriate to approve the proposed tariff, effective January 1, 2017, and customer notice for Crosby provided by the Public Staff on November 21, 2016. The Company is required to provide a customer notice, as attached, and file a verification that it has adjusted its rates accordingly.

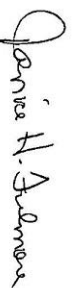
IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That the Schedule of Rates, attached as Appendix A, is approved and is deemed filed with the Commission pursuant to G.S. 62-138. This Schedule of Rates is effective for service rendered on and after January 1, 2017.
2. That a copy of the Notice to Customers attached as Appendix B be mailed with sufficient postage or hand delivered by the Company to all of its customers contemporaneously with the first billing of customers that reflects the new rates.
3. That the Company shall file with the Commission the attached Verification properly signed and notarized not later than thirty (30) days after January 1, 2017.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the \_\_\_7<sup>th</sup>\_\_\_ day of December, 2016.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk

SCHEDULE OF RATES

for

CROSBY UTILITIES, INC.

for providing water and sewer utility service in

BAYWOOD FOREST SUBDIVISION

and

for providing sewer utility service in

COTTONWOOD SUBDIVISION

Wake County, North Carolina

Monthly Metered Water Rates:

Base Charge, zero usage	\$ 9.60
Usage Charge, per 1,000 gallons	\$ 1.92

Monthly Flat Rate for Sewer Service: \$ 44.03

Reconnection Charges:

If water service cut off by utility for good cause	\$ 33.57 <sup>1/</sup>
If water service discontinued at customer's request	\$ 33.57 <sup>1/</sup>
If sewer service cut off by utility for good cause by any method other than above	Actual cost <sup>1/</sup> <sub>2/</sub>

If payment for water and/or sewer utility service is not received by the past due date, customers may, in addition to all past due and current charges, have to pay late payment finance charges, in order to avoid having water and/or sewer utility service disconnected.

To resume water and/or sewer utility service after discontinuance for good cause, customers must pay the reconnection charge(s) indicated above, plus any delinquent water and/or sewer bill(s), including finance charges.

Reconnection Charges (continued):

1/ Neglect or failure to pay amounts due or to otherwise comply with provisions of this tariff shall be deemed sufficient cause for discontinuance of service. Prior to disconnection, Crosby Utilities, Inc. (Crosby) will diligently try to induce the customer to pay or otherwise comply with the tariff. After such effort, Crosby will give the customer written notice of at least five days (excluding Sundays and holidays) prior to disconnection. Such notice will contain, at a minimum, a copy of this provision, and the procedures which Crosby will perform to discontinue service.

In the event an emergency or dangerous condition is found to exist, or fraudulent use of the wastewater system is detected, sewer utility service may be cut off without such notice. In such an event, notice as described above will be given as soon as possible.

2/ If discontinuance of sewer utility service becomes necessary, and water utility service is not provided by Crosby, then Crosby will install a valve or other device to cut off and/or block the sewer line. Prior to installing the valve or device, Crosby will provide a detailed good faith estimate of the actual cost of disconnection.

Returned Check Charge: \$ 23.99

Bills Due: On billing date

Bills Past Due: 15 days after billing date

Billing Frequency: Shall be monthly for service in arrears

Finance Charge for Late Payment: 1% per month will be applied to the unpaid balance of all bills still past due 25 days after billing date.

Security Deposit: Two-twelfths of estimated annual bill 3/

3/ Pursuant to Commission Rule R12-4.

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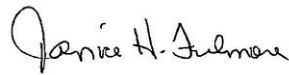
Issued in Accordance with Authority Granted by the North Carolina Utilities Commission in Docket No. W-992, Sub 7, on this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016, effective January 1, 2017.

**NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS**

Notice is hereby given that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has approved a rate decrease for Crosby Utilities, Inc. to reflect a tax change enacted by the North Carolina General Assembly. Under House Bill 998, an Act to Simplify the North Carolina Tax Structure and to Reduce Individual and Business Tax Rates, effective January 1, 2017, the State corporate income tax rate was decreased from 4% to 3%. The Company has decreased its rates by 0.02% for water service and by 0.09% for sewer service to reflect the decrease in the State corporate income tax rate, effective January 1, 2017.

This the 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janice H. Fulmore".

Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk

VERIFICATION

I, \_\_\_\_\_, state and attest that Crosby Utilities, Inc. has:

- (1) Adjusted its rates as ordered in Docket No. W-992, Sub 7, and
- (2) Mailed with sufficient postage or hand delivered to all affected customers the customer notice issued by the North Carolina Utilities Commission in Docket No. W-992, Sub 7, by the date specified in the Order.

This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Utility Company

Sworn to and subscribed before me

This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_