

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. W-218, SUB 497

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of	
Application by Aqua North Carolina,)
Inc., 202 MacKenan Court, Cary, North)
Carolina 27511 for Authority to Adjust)
And Increase Rates for Water and)
Sewer Utility Service for all Areas)
in North Carolina)
	ORDER ALLOWING
	COMMENTS

BY THE PRESIDING COMMISSIONER: On December 18, 2018, in Docket No. W-218, Sub 497, the Commission issued an Order Approving Partial Settlement Agreement and Stipulation, Granting Partial Rate Increase, and Requiring Customer Notice.

Ordering Paragraph No. 26 of the Commission's December 18, 2018 Order, at page 186, provides as follows:

26. That Aqua NC shall take the appropriate measures to share the 40-day read history collected by the Company's AMR [advanced meter reading] technology with the AMR-metered customers and shall notify the Commission when such information is being shared, including how such information is being provided to customers.

Further, Ordering Paragraph No. 27 of the Commission's December 18, 2018 Order, at page 186, provides as follows:

27. That within six months following the issuance date of this Order, Aqua NC shall file a report informing the Commission regarding the specific nature of the expected benefits to be achieved on a consolidated basis for the Aqua America subsidiaries, including Aqua NC, once full deployment of AMR technology is completed in all Aqua America operating states. Such report shall also indicate the planned timing of such expected benefits.

On June 18, 2019, Aqua North Carolina, Inc. (Aqua NC or Company), filed in the above-captioned docket the affidavit of Lisa Gresehover, National Metrology Manager, Aqua America, Inc., in compliance with Ordering Paragraph Nos. 26 and 27 of the Commission's December 18, 2018 Order. Affiant Gresehover commented that, as required by Ordering Paragraph No. 26, Aqua NC will notify the Commission at such time as the Company determines that it will be in a position to share the 40-day read history

collected by its AMR technology with its AMR-metered customers, including a description of how such information will be provided to its customers. Further, Affiant Gresehover provided Aqua NC's report on AMR benefits in compliance with Ordering Paragraph No. 27. Aqua NC requested that the Commission accept and acknowledge its June 18, 2019 Report on AMR benefits as being in full compliance with the requirements of Ordering Paragraph No. 27.

Based on the foregoing and the entire record in this proceeding, the Presiding Commissioner finds good cause to allow comments from interested parties regarding Aqua NC's response to Ordering Paragraph Nos. 26 and 27, regarding Aqua NC's comment concerning the status of sharing the 40-day read history collected by the Company's AMR technology with AMR-metered customers and Aqua NC's report on AMR benefits, respectively.

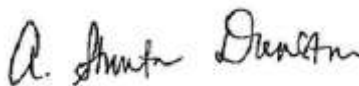
IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That on or before Friday, July 26, 2019, interested parties may file comments regarding Aqua NC's response to Ordering Paragraph Nos. 26 and 27 of the Commission's December 18, 2018 Order, as noted herein.
2. That on or before Friday, August 9, 2019, Aqua NC may file reply comments.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 27th day of June, 2019.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



A. Shonta Dunston, Deputy Clerk