## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

**DOCKET NO. W-1300, SUB 60** 

## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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) ORDER ESTABLISHING
) GENERAL RATE CASE AND
) SUSPENDING RATES
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BY THE COMMISSION: On June 29, 2021, Old North State Water Company, LLC, (ONSWC) filed an application with the Commission seeking authority to adjust and increase its rates for providing water utility service in all of its service areas in North Carolina. ONSWC serves approximately 1,576 water customers in eight counties in the state. This is the first time ONSWC has come before the Commission requesting an adjustment and increase in its rates.

ONSWC was first granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide water utility service in Leone Landing Subdivision by a Commission order issued on July 21, 2014, in Docket No. W-1300, Sub 4. Since that time, ONSWC has acquired 36 water systems and been approved to charge rates that vary by system. In its application, ONSWC requests uniform rates for all its water service areas in North Carolina.

The Commission finds 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 hereby suspended for up to 270 days pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-134;
- 3. That the test year period is established as the 12-month period ending December 31, 2020; 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 26th day of July, 2021.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Lindsey A. Worley, Acting Deputy Clerk

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Commissioner Jeffrey A. Hughes did not participate in this decision.