

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. W-632, SUB 6

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of

Application by John T. Billingsley, et al.,	)	ORDER CANCELING
149 Penn Road, Reidsville, North Carolina	)	HEARING AND
27320, for Authority to Increase Rates for	)	REQUIRING
Water Utility Service in All of Its Service	)	CUSTOMER NOTICE
Areas in Rockingham County, North Carolina	)	

BY THE CHAIRMAN: On July 3, 2017, in the above-captioned docket, John T. Billingsley, et al. (Applicant), filed an application for rate increase with the Commission. On July 24, 2017, the Commission issued an Order declaring the proceeding to be a general rate case, suspending the proposed new rates for up to 270 days, and scheduling a public hearing for November 28, 2017, in Courtroom A, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, of the Rockingham County Courthouse, 170 Hwy 65, Reidsville, North Carolina. The hearing was scheduled subject to cancellation if no significant protests were received from consumers by September 28, 2017.

On September 28, 2017, the Applicant provided its certificate of service indicating that all customers have been served with notice of the proposed rate increase and hearing as required by the Commission's July 24, 2017 Order.

On October 5, 2017, the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission (Public Staff) filed a Motion to Cancel Hearing. In its motion, the Public Staff stated that the Applicant serves approximately 29 water customers and no consumer protests have been received. Furthermore, the Public Staff informed the Commission that it is continuing to conduct its investigation and believes that an evidentiary hearing should not be necessary. However, the Public Staff commented that in the event that an evidentiary hearing is necessary, it could be scheduled at a later date. As a result, the Public Staff recommended that the hearing scheduled for November 28, 2017, be canceled and that customer notice should be required.

Based upon the foregoing, the Chairman is of the opinion that the hearing scheduled for Tuesday, November 28, 2017, in Reidsville, North Carolina should be canceled and customer notice should be required.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

**1. That the public hearing previously scheduled for Tuesday, November 28, 2017, in Courtroom A, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, of the Rockingham County Courthouse, 170 Hwy 65, Reidsville, North Carolina, is canceled.**

2. That a copy of this Order shall be mailed with sufficient postage or hand delivered by John T. Billingsley, et al., to all its affected customers no later than October 16, 2017, and that the Applicant shall submit to the Commission the attached Certificate of Service, properly signed and notarized, no later than October 23, 2017.

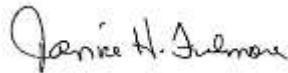
3. That, if deemed necessary, a further order of the Commission shall be issued scheduling an evidentiary hearing at a future date, time, and place to be determined; otherwise, this matter shall be decided on the filings.

4. That a further order of the Commission addressing the applied for rate increase shall be issued at a later date.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Janice H. Fulmore". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, mailed with sufficient postage or hand delivered to all affected customers a copy of the Order issued by the North Carolina Utilities Commission in Docket No. W-632, Sub 6, and such Order was mailed or hand delivered by the date specified in the Order.

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

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

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

The above named Applicant, \_\_\_\_\_, personally appeared before me this day and, being first duly sworn, says that the required copy of the Commission Order was mailed or hand delivered to all affected customers, as required by the Commission Order dated \_\_\_\_\_ in Docket No. W-632, Sub 6.

Witness my hand and notarial seal, this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2017.

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Notary Public

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

(SEAL) My Commission Expires:

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Date