

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. W-1263, SUB 4

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application by JPC Utilities, LLC, for)	
Authority to Adjust and Increase Rates for)	ORDER ESTABLISHING GENERAL
Water and Wastewater Utility Service in its)	RATE CASE AND SUSPENDING
Service Areas in Guilford County, North)	RATES
Carolina)	

BY THE COMMISSION: On September 6, 2023, JPC Utilities, LLC (Applicant) filed an application with the Commission seeking authority to increase its rates for providing water and wastewater utility service in its service areas in Guilford County, North Carolina. The Applicant provides water utility service to approximately 68 metered customers and wastewater utility service to approximately 57 metered customers. This is the first time the Applicant has come before the Commission requesting an adjustment and increase in its rates.

The Applicant was granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity by Commission Order issued on May 30, 2008, in Docket No. W-1263, Sub 0. The present water and wastewater utility rates have been in effect since February 13, 2015, pursuant to the Commission's Order in Docket Nos. W-1263, Sub 1, and M-100, Sub 138, which implemented rate changes to reflect changes in the tax laws.

The Commission finds that the application constitutes a general rate case and concludes 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 suspended for up to 270 days pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-134;
3. That the test year period is established as the 12-month period ending December 31, 2022; 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 3rd day October, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk