

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. W-1166, SUB 17

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application by MECO Utilities, Inc., Post)
Office Box 2369, Swansboro, North) ORDER CANCELING
Carolina 28584-2369, for Authority to) HEARING AND REQUIRING
Increase Rates for Water and Sewer Utility) CUSTOMER NOTICE
Service to Mobile Estates Mobile Home)
Park in Wake County, North Carolina)

BY THE CHAIRMAN: On December 18, 2017, the Commission issued an Order Establishing General Rate Case, Suspending Rates, Scheduling Hearing, and Requiring Customer Notice in the above-captioned docket. Said Order stated that the hearing may be canceled and the matter decided on the filings if no significant protests were received on or before February 15, 2018.

On March 9, 2018, the Public Staff filed a Motion to Cancel Hearing. In said motion the Public Staff stated:

1. This proceeding commenced with the filing on December 4, 2017, of an Application for Rate Increase by MECO Utilities, Inc. In an order issued on December 18, 2017, the Commission scheduled a public hearing for 7 p.m., on March 22, 2018, in the Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. The hearing was scheduled subject to cancelation if no significant protests were received from consumers on or before February 15, 2018.
2. MECO Utilities, Inc. serves approximately 271 residential customers. By Certificate of Service filed December 21, 2017, MECO Utilities, Inc. stated that the Notice to Customers had been delivered to all affected customers. No consumer protests have been received.
3. The Public Staff has conducted its investigation and believes that an evidentiary hearing is not necessary. The Public Staff has not discovered any service problems. MECO Utilities, Inc. has agreed to the Public Staff recommended revenue requirements and rates.

Based upon the foregoing, the Chairman is of the opinion that the hearing scheduled for March 22, 2018, should be canceled, customer notice should be required, and a proposed order should be filed.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. **That the hearing previously scheduled for Thursday, March 22, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., in the Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina is canceled.**

2. That a copy of this Order shall be mailed with sufficient postage or hand delivered by MECO Utilities, Inc., to all customers in the above-captioned service area no later than two business days after the date of this Order, and that MECO Utilities, Inc. shall submit to the Commission the attached Certificate of Service properly signed and notarized no later than five business days after the date of this Order.

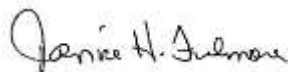
3. That the Public Staff shall file with the Commission a proposed order concerning the general rate increase application filed by MECO Utilities, Inc. on December 4, 2017.

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 12th day of March, 2018.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



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 this Docket No. W-1166, Sub 17, dated March ____, 2018, and such Order was mailed or hand delivered by the date specified in the Order.

This the ____ day of March, 2018.

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 March ____, 2018, in Docket No. W-1166, Sub 17.

Witness my hand and notarial seal, this the ____ day of March, 2018.

Notary Public

Printed Name

(SEAL) My Commission Expires: _____
Date