

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RALEIGH**

DOCKET NO. W-354, SUB 356

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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| In the Matter of                               |   |
| Application by Carolina Water Service,         | ) |
| Inc., of North Carolina, 5701 Westpark Drive,  | ) |
| Suite 101, Charlotte, North Carolina 28217,    | ) |
| for Authority to Adjust and Increase Rates for | ) |
| Water and Sewer Utility Service in All Its     | ) |
| Service Area in North Carolina Except Corolla  | ) |
| Light and Monteray Shores Service Areas and    | ) |
| Elk River Development                          | ) |

ORDER CLOSING HEARING  
AND REQUIRING FILING OF  
BRIEFS/PROPOSED ORDERS

BY THE CHAIRMAN: On March 31, 2017, Carolina Water Service, Inc., of North Carolina (Applicant or CWSNC) filed an application with the Commission seeking authority to increase rates for water and sewer utility service in all of its service areas in North Carolina except the Corolla Light and Monteray Shores service area and Elk River Development. On, June 2, 2017, the Commission issued an Order Scheduling Hearing and Requiring Customer Notice (the Order). The Order, among other things, scheduled an evidentiary hearing in this matter on September 20, 2017, at 9:30 a.m., in Raleigh, North Carolina.

On that date and at that time, the Commission convened the hearing to receive testimony from the Applicant and the Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission (Public Staff) in support of a Joint Stipulation between CWSNC and the Public Staff filed in this docket on September 19, 2017, resolving all issues in this case. After receiving such testimony, the Commission temporarily adjourned the hearing and directed the Public Staff and the Applicant to supply several late-filed exhibits to respond to several questions that were raised by the Commission during the hearing. All such exhibits have been duly provided.

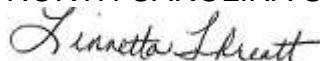
Whereupon, the Chairman, after carefully considering the late-filed exhibits and the record proper, and consulting with the Commissioners assigned to hear this case, finds and concludes that the late-filed exhibits shall be admitted into evidence and that this matter should be adjourned. Further, the Chairman hereby finds and concludes that all parties to the proceeding shall have 10 days to file briefs and proposed orders.

IT IS, THEREFORE, SO ORDERED.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 13th day of October, 2017.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



Linnetta Threatt, Acting Deputy Clerk