

May 11, 2020

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

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Hon. Robin L. Morrison, Chairman c/o Ectory Lawless, Docket Room Manager Tennessee Public Utility Commission 502 Deaderick Street, 4th Floor Nashville, TN 37243

RE: Petition of Tennessee-American Water Company Regarding the 2019 Investment and Related Expenses Under the Qualified Infrastructure Investment Program Rider, the Economic Development Investment Rider and the Safety and Environmental Compliance Rider, TPUC Docket No. 19-000105

Dear Chairman Morrison:

Pursuant to Rule 1220-4-1-.05 of the Rules of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission pertaining to the publication and posting of notice as to hearings in matters involving rate cases, the undersigned counsel for Tennessee-American Water Company hereby furnishes an original of this filing in connection with the hearing to be held in the above-referenced docket on May 11, 2020. The publication was made in a newspaper of general circulation in the areas in which the petitioner offers service to its customers and as to which notice is required:

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE

The LEGAL NOTICE OF HEARING regarding the May 11, 2020, hearing attached as Exhibit A was published in the Chattanooga Times Free Press, a newspaper of general circulation serving the greater Chattanooga, Tennessee area, on May 9, 2020. The affidavit from the Chattanooga Times Free Press attesting to such publication will be submitted as soon as it becomes available.

POSTING OF LEGAL NOTICE

The LEGAL NOTICE OF HEARING attached as <u>Exhibit A</u> was posted in the main lobby of Tennessee-American Water Company, 109 Wiehl Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee, beginning on May 7, 2020, and at its Whitwell operations at 600 N. Cedar Street, Whitwell, Tennessee, beginning on May 8, 2020. The LEGAL NOTICE attached as <u>Exhibit B</u> was posted in the main lobby of Tennessee-American Water Company, 109 Wiehl Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee, beginning on May 7, 2020, and at its Whitwell operations at 600 N. Cedar Street, Whitwell, Tennessee, beginning

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on May 8, 2020. <u>Exhibit A</u> is also posted on the Company's website, along with the Access Code for the Commission Conference.

Very truly yours,

BUTLER SNOW LLP,

Melvin J. Malone

Attachments

cc: Elaine K. Chambers, Tennessee-American Water Company

Daniel Whitaker, Assistant Attorney General, Financial Division, Consumer Advocate Unit

EXHIBIT A

LEGAL NOTICE OF HEARING

Tennessee Public Utility Commission Docket No. 19-00105

Tennessee American Water Company ("TAWC" or "Company") filed its annual Capital Recovery Riders Petition with the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (the "Commission") in Docket No. 19-00105 on November 15, 2019, seeking approval of certain expenditures under the Qualified Infrastructure Improvement Program ("QIIP"), the Economic Development Investment Program ("EDI") and the Safety and Environmental Compliance Program ("SEC") for the upcoming year, 2020.

The Capital Recovery Riders are authorized alternative regulatory methods and mechanisms that permit TAWC to recover certain costs without a full-blown general rate case, as long as specific criteria are satisfied, including, but not limited to, the Commission finding that such alternative methods and mechanisms are in the public interest. A further explanation of the Capital Recovery Riders is available through the Commission in both TPUC Docket Nos. 13-00130 and 19-00105. Below is a summation of the Capital Recovery Riders that will be reviewed in the upcoming hearing in Docket No. 19-00105.

2019 APPROVED SURCHARGES

Qualified Infrastructure Improvement Program Rider	11.65%
Economic Development Investment Program Rider	.65%
Safety and Environmental Compliance Program Rider	6.88%
Subtotal of Capital Recovery Riders	19.18%

Total of Capital Recovery Riders Percentages

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2020 PROPOSED SURCHARGES

Qualified Infrastructure Improvement Program Rider	14.28%
Economic Development Investment Program Rider	1.14%
Safety and Environmental Compliance Program Rider	<u>8.79%</u>
Subtotal of Capital Recovery Riders	24.21%

Total of Capital Recovery Riders Percentages	24.21%
Offset to Capital Recovery Riders for Tax Cuts and	-6.62%
Jobs Act ("TCJA") Savings	

If the surcharge changes proposed by TAWC are approved by the Commission, including the customer credit or offset resulting from the federal corporate income tax expense reduction, there will not be a change in rates, as the rates were permitted to be implemented on January 1, 2020, pursuant to Commission regulations. When the rates became effective on January 1, 2020, a typical residential customer living in the City of Chattanooga, and using an average of 4,154 gallons per month, experienced an increase in their bill of about \$1.09 per month, or \$13.08 per year. The TCJA offset resulted in the same customer experiencing a decrease in their bill of approximately \$1.43 per month, or \$17.16 per year. If the Commission lowers or disallows the rates that were implemented on January 1, 2020, after the hearing on May 11, 2020, a determination of applicable refunds or credits to customers, with interest, would also be made back to January 1, 2020.

Notice is hereby given that a hearing in this matter will be held by the Commission on May 11, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Central Standard Time via WebEx videoconferencing or teleconferencing platforms. Members of the public may participate in the hearing by dialing 1+(415) 655-0003 U.S. Toll // 1+(213) 306-3065 U.S. Toll // 1+ (720) 650-7664 U.S. Toll // 1+(617) 355-0704 U.S. Toll (the additional phone lines are provided for use if all circuits are busy). The Access Code will be available on the Commission's website (tn.gov/tpuc) on May 8, 2020. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there will not be an in-person hearing at the Tennessee Public Utility Commission, in the Andrew Jackson Building, 500 Deaderick Street, Hearing Room G.201, Nashville, Tennessee.

The Petition, and supporting documentation, is on file with the Commission in TPUC Docket No. 19-00105 at http://share.tn.gov/tra/dockets/1900105.htm and is open to public inspection and review via the Commission's website. A complete copy of the Petition, including the proposed tariff and surcharge changes and the reasons for them, is also on file with the Commission in Docket No. 19-00105 in the Andrew Jackson Building, 500 Deaderick Street, Nashville, Tennessee. The Commission may be closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Commission may be reached at 1-800-342-8359. The Petition, and supporting documentation,

including the proposed tariff and surcharge changes and the reasons for them, is also available for public inspection and review at the offices of TAWC at 109 Wiehl Street, Chattanooga, TN 37406.

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INTENT TO TITLE VEHICLE

The following vehicle located at 9216 River Oaks Rd, Harrison, TN 37341, is in the possession of Nicki Colvard, who is requesting title to said vehicle. All parties holding any legal interest in the vehicle contact the person in possession by certified mail, return receipt requested within 10 business days of this ad. 1986 Yamaha YX600

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Refer to our legal ads to bid on a public works project.

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2006, SUZUKI GSXR 1000: Orig. owner exc. cond. New tires & upgrades. , \$5,750, OBO. Call 865-850-2729

EXHIBIT B

TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION



NOTICE OF HEARING HELD ELECTRONICALLY VIA WEBEX

IN RE: PETITION OF TENNESSEE-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

REGARDING THE 2020 INVESTMENT AND RELATED EXPENSES UNDER THE QUALIFIED INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT PROGRAM RIDER, THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT RIDER AND THE SAFETY

AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE RIDER.

DOCKET NO.: 19-00105

DATE: May 1, 2020

An electronic Hearing using the WebEx videoconferencing platform will be held in the above-captioned matter during the Commission Conference beginning at 9:00 a.m. (CDT) on Monday, May 11, 2020.

Vice Chair Kenneth C. Hill, Commissioner Herbert H. Hilliard, and Commissioner John Hie, the voting panel assigned to this docket, will conduct the Hearing in accordance with the Tennessee Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-101 *et seq.* Members of the public may participate by filing written comments with the Commission Docket Room at TPUC.docketroom@tn.gov by 2:00 p.m. (CDT) on Friday, May 8, 2020. The Hearing will be held live and will be recorded. The public is invited to join the meeting by:

At least Fifteen (15) minutes before 9:00 a.m. start time:

- (1) Dial: 1+(415) 655-0003 U.S. Toll || 1+(213) 306-3065 U.S. Toll 1+(720) 650-7664 U.S. Toll || 1+(617) 355-0704 U.S. Toll
 - •Additional phone lines are provided for use if all circuits are busy
- (2) Enter Access Code: Provided in a separate notice issued on May 8, 2020 on the TPUC website, tn.gov/tpuc.
- (3) Place your telephone on mute.

Participants with disabilities who require special accommodations or alternate communications formats should contact the Tennessee Public Utility Commission ADA-EEO/AA Coordinator/Officer at 1-800-342-8359 or TDD (615) 741-3930,so that reasonable accommodations can be made.

Should you have questions, please contact Ectory Lawless, Dockets and Records Manager, at the above email or at (615) 770-6850 or (615) 651-0754.

FOR THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

Monica Smith-Ashford

Monica Smith-Ashford, Hearing Officer