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January 15, 2021

Hon. Dr. Kenneth C. Hill Chair c/o Ectory Lawless, Dockets & Records Manager Tennessee Public Utility Commission Andrew Jackson State Office Building 502 Deaderick Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Nashville, TN 37243

Re: INFORMATIONAL FILING OF TENNESSEE-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY ("TENNESSEE-AMERICAN WATER") DOCKET NO.: 20-00047 RELATED TO MEASURES TAKEN DURING THE CORONAVIRUS COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

#### Dear Chair Hill:

Tennessee-American Water Company ("Tennessee-American Water") would like to provide you with an update of the measures and activities we are taking to assist and keep our customers, employees, and communities safe and engaged during the COVID-19 health emergency.

At Tennessee-American Water our employees work hard every day to deliver clean, safe, reliable, and affordable water services because our customers deserve nothing less.

The current health emergency is a fast-moving event, and we continue to assess, evolve, adapt, as we execute on our daily operations.

We welcome the opportunity to continue to inform you of the measures we are taking to assist our customers, employees, and communities.

### Acquisition and Integration of Jasper Highlands Customers Completed

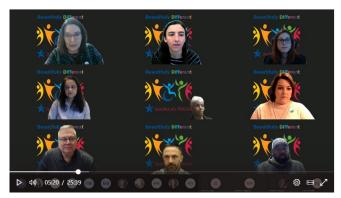


The Jasper Highlands acquisition was officially completed on December 31, 2020. The new customers were integrated into our customer service management systems. A press release was issued on December 31, and direct communications via email and letters through the United States Postal Service were sent during the first full business week of 2021, welcoming the Jasper Highlands residents as new Tennessee American Water customers.



## **American Water Celebrates Inclusion Day**

On Tuesday, Jan. 12, American Water celebrated Inclusion Day. Inclusion means that every employee, regardless of their race, religion, identity, gender, or ability, can fully participate in our company's success. Activities included an all-employee local meeting discussing the importance of inclusion to creating successful teams. American Water held a live podcast on the power and impact of inclusion. Chief Inclusion & Diversity Officer,



Val Armstrong, led a discussion with American Water Chief Executive Officer Walter Lynch, Inclusion & Diversity Executive Sponsor Bruce Hauk, Lexmark's Sheri Evans Depp, and sixtime Olympic medalist Jackie Joyner-Kersee.

# Marking Martin Luther King, Jr. Day



At American Water, we recognize that our different ideas, viewpoints, experiences, and backgrounds have made us a stronger company. We encourage one another to respect and value those differences. This legacy is why American Water recognizes Martin Luther King Jr. Day as a company holiday.

But this day is so much more than a "day off." We celebrate it as a "day on" because one of Dr. King's most enduring messages was to ask, "What are you doing for others?" Since 2015, Tennessee American Water has joined the City of Chattanooga's Multicultural Affairs Office in its MLK Day of Service activities. With COVID-19 safety protocols in place,

employees are invited to join the City's live Facebook event on January 18<sup>th</sup> to celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Additionally, the American Water Charitable Foundation will make a \$10,000 contribution to the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change.

#### **COVID-19 Safety Protocols Remain in Place**

Tennessee-American Water's essential employees have been and remain at our facilities and in the field providing reliable water service across our service areas. We continue to respond to COVID, focusing on employee safety as well as the safety of their families, our customers, and the communities we serve. Our work from home option as well as our travel ban is in place until March 15, 2021.



Social-distancing practices remain in effect until further notice and the company continues to communicate with federal, state, and local authorities on the latest updates on the pandemic. Any revisions to our COVID-19 directives will be made with careful consideration and with the safety of employees and customers as the guiding priority.

## Report An Emergency Functionality Added to Website

In December, Tennessee American Water added new functionality to its website allowing customer and members of the community to report a water emergency. The "Report a Water Emergency" feature allows anyone to report an emergency straight from the website or from the individual customer's MyWater account. Emergencies may be reported by providing information on the nature of the emergency (e.g., leak at a street/sidewalk or at a hydrant), whether it is causing damage, description of the leak location, and contact information. Customers were informed via direct email and also ongoing social media outreach.



## **Requested Customer Data for Reporting Period**

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Attached please find a spreadsheet that details for the reporting period the:

- Aggregate number of customers disconnected for nonpayment of service by customer class;
- Aggregate number of customers who have entered a payment arrangement by customer class;
- Aggregate number and amount of delinquent customer accounts by customer; and the
- Aggregate number and amount of customer accounts written off to bad debt expense, or allowance for bad debt, by customer class.

Tennessee-American Water is grateful to the Commission for its leadership and stands ready to answer any questions you may have. Please feel free to contact me at 423-771-4792 or grant.evitts@amwater.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Grant Evitts
President

Tennessee-American Water

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Personal commercial   1,756   1,716	Docket 20-00047 COVID Monthly Report Count -Customers Disconnected for Nonpayment	Jan-20	Feb-20	Mar-20	Apr-20	May-20	Jun-20	Jul-20	Aug-20	Sep-20	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20	Total
Companies   150		2,365	1,713	480	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,068	1,074	985	7,685
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Commercial   77,454   50,702   55,776   75,879   87,574   71,213   78,178   82,684   89,497   82,139   65,629   51,776   868,499   10,4151   1,416		130 888	306 134	437.008	524 830	572 056	600 355	608 701	707 575	\$872 680	\$788.070	\$730.058	\$710 222	¢ 7 577 682
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