

November 11, 2024

### **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Hon. David Jones, Chairman c/o Ectory Lawless, Docket Room Manager Tennessee Public Utility Commission 502 Deaderick Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Nashville, TN 37243 TPUC.DocketRoom@tn.gov Electronically Filed in TPUC Docket Room November 11, 2024 at 2:12 p.m.

RE: Petition of Tennessee-American Water Company to Modify Tariff, Change and Increase Charges, Fees, and Rates, and for Approval of a General Rate Increase, TPUC Docket No. 24-00032

Dear Chairman Jones:

In compliance with Rule 1220-4-1-.05 of the Rules of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission ("Commission" or "TPUC") 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 and four copies of proof of publication in connection with the hearing to be held in the above-referenced docket on November 18, 2024. 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 November 18, 2024, hearing attached as <u>Exhibit A</u> was published in the Chattanooga Times Free Press, a newspaper of general circulation serving the greater Chattanooga, Tennessee area, on October 20, 2024. Attached as <u>Exhibit B</u> is an affidavit from the Chattanooga Times Free Press attesting to such publication.

### 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 October 20, 2024. The Commission's NOTICE OF HEARING attached as <u>Exhibit C</u> was posted in the main lobby of Tennessee-American Water Company, 109 Wiehl Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee, and at its Whitwell operations at 2400 Highway 283, Whitwell, Tennessee, beginning on November 11, 2024. As verification of such posting, attached as <u>Exhibit D</u> is a letter from the President of Tennessee American Water Company, Grant Evitts, dated November 11, 2024.

The Pinnacle at Symphony Place 150 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South, Suite 1600 Nashville, TN 37201 MELVIN J. MALONE 615.651.6705 melvin.malone@butlersnow.com

T 615.651.6700 F 615.651.6701 www.butlersnow.com Hon. David Jones, Chairman November 11, 2024 Page 2

This letter of publication and posting complies fully with Tennessee Public Utility Commission Rule 1220-4-1-.05.

Very truly yours,

BUTLER SNOW, LLP

Melvin J. Malone

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Attachment

cc: Bob Lane, TAWC

Shilina Brown, Consumer Advocate Division Victoria Glover, Consumer Advocate Division

Phillip Noblett, City of Chattanooga Frederick Hitchcock, City of Chattanooga

Scott Tift, UWUA

### **EXHIBIT A**

#### LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Tennessee-American Water Company (the "Company") filed a request for approval of a general rate increase with the Tennessee Public Utility Commission" or "TPUC") on May 1, 2024. The proposed rate changes are set forth in the Company's Petition to Modify Tariff, Change and Increase Charges, Fees and Rates and for Approval of a General Rate Increase, which is on file with the Commission in Docket No. 24-00032. The proposed rate changes will apply to all customers now being served or who may be served in the future. The Commission may adopt or reject the proposed rates are approved, the monthly bill for an average residential customer who is currently served under the Chattanooga are two unlit ornesse by approximately \$4.98, and an average business customer's monthly bill would increase by approximately \$69.22 per month (For illustrative purposes, the average business customer's monthly bill increase estimate is based on the average run of the commission of the commission of the server of the public are increased and an average business customer in Chattanooga. With a \$78 inch meter). The revised rate schedules, tariffs and reasons apporting the proposed rate changes are on file with the Commission at the gov/tra/dockets/2400032.htm or https://share.n.gov/tra/dockets/2400032.htm and are available for public inspection at the Commission or at the Company's office at 109 Wiehl Street, Chattanooga. The Commission may be reached at 1-800-342-8359. The Commission will also public comment meeting in Chattanooga, TN on Monday, October 28, 2024, from 2:00 p.m. (EDT) to 7:00 p.m. (EDT) at the Chattanooga Convention Center in Meeting Room 12 located at One Carter Plaza, Chattanooga. TN 37402. Members of the public are invited to attend and present comments on the Company's Petition and proposed general rate increases will be held by the Commission on November 18, 2024, beginning at 10:00 and (CST) in Nashville, TN in Hearing Room G.201, Andrew Jackson State Office Building, 500 Dead

approved. The public will have an opportunity to provide notice of any such change on its website. ADA-EEO/AA Coordinator/Officer at 502 Deade rates and charges and the proposed rates and char	Participants with rick Street, 4th F	disabilities wh loor, Nashville	o require special	accommodation	is or alternate con	nmunications f	ormats should co	ntact the Tenne	ssee Public Utilit	y Commission
	Resider Current	ntial	Commo	ercial	Indust Current	rial	Other Public	Authority	Other Wate	er Utility
Monthly Service Charges Chattanooga	Including Riders	Proposed	Including Riders	Proposed	Including Riders	Proposed	Including Riders	Proposed	Including Riders	Proposed
5/8" 3/4" 1"	19.11 32.10 53.39	21.50 32.25 53.75	24.39 40.97 68.17	27.50 41.00 68.50	50.86 85.49 142.14	27.50 41.00 68.50	22.35 37.54 62.45	27.50 41.00 68.50	19.35 32.52 54.09	27.50 41.00 68.50
1.5" 2" 3"	106.83 170.92 320.99	107.50 172.00 344.00	136.40 218.23 409.21	137.50 219.50 438.50	284.42 455.02 853.11	137.50 219.50 438.50	124.96 199.93 374.86	137.50 219.50 438.50	108.22 173.09 324.63	137.50 219.50 438.50
4" 6" 8"	534.14 1068.27 1709.19	537.50 1075.00 1720.00	682.04 1364.10 2182.54	686.50 1372.50 2196.50	1421.94 2843.87 4550.15	686.50 1372.50 2196.50	624.78 1249.58 1999.27	686.50 1372.50 2196.50	541.10 1082.15 1731.41	686.50 1372.50 2196.50
Lakeview 5/8"	21.43	21.50	27.39	27.50	54.67	27.50	25.05	27.50	21.71	27.50
3/4" 1" 1.5"	32.10 53.38 106.83	32.25 53.75 107.50	40.97 68.17 136.40	41.00 68.50 137.50	81.88 136.20 272.51	41.00 68.50 137.50	37.54 62.52 125.03	41.00 68.50 137.50	32.52 54.09 108.22	41.00 68.50 137.50
2" 3" 4"	170.92 320.47 534.14	172.00 344.00 537.50	218.23 409.20 682.04	219.50 438.50 686.50	435.97 817.44 1362.45	219.50 438.50 686.50	199.94 374.86 624.78	219.50 438.50 686.50	173.09 324.63 541.10	219.50 438.50 686.50
6" 8"	1068.27 1709.19	1075.00 1720.00	1364.10 2182.54	1372.50 2196.50	2724.90 4359.75	1372.50 2196.50	1249.58 1999.27	1372.50 2196.50	1082.15 1731.41	1372.50 2196.50
Lookout Mountain 5/8" 3/4"	21.43 32.10	21.50 32.25	27.39 40.97	27.50 41.00	54.67 81.88	27.50 41.00	25.07 37.57	27.50 41.00	21.71 32.52	27.50 41.00
1" 1.5" 2"	53.39 106.83 170.94	53.75 107.50 172.00	68.17 136.40 218.23	68.50 137.50 219.50	136.20 272.51 435.97	68.50 137.50 219.50	62.47 125.03 199.93	68.50 137.50 219.50	54.09 108.22 173.09	68.50 137.50 219.50
3" 4" 6"	320.47 534.14 1068.27	344.00 537.50 1075.00	409.20 682.04 1364.10	438.50 686.50 1372.50	817.44 1362.45 2724.90	438.50 686.50 1372.50	374.86 624.78 1249.58	438.50 686.50 1372.50	324.63 541.10 1082.15	438.50 686.50 1372.50
8" Suck Creek	1709.19	1720.00	2182.54	2196.50	4359.75	2196.50	1999.27	2196.50	1731.41	2196.50
5/8" 3/4" 1"	41.88 41.88 41.88	21.50 32.25 53.75	53.46 53.46 53.46	27.50 41.00 68.50						
1.5" 2" 3"	41.88 41.88 41.88	107.50 172.00 344.00	53.46 53.46 53.46	137.50 219.50 438.50						
4" 6" 8"	41.88 41.88 41.88	537.50 1075.00 1720.00	53.46 53.46 53.46	686.50 1372.50 2196.50						
Whitwell Inside City 5/8"	27.99	21.50	27.99	27.50			27.99	27.50		
3/4" 1" 1.5"	27.99 27.99 27.99	32.25 53.75 107.50	27.99 27.99 27.99	41.00 68.50 137.50			27.99 27.99 27.99	41.00 68.50 137.50		
2" 3" 4"	27.99 27.99 27.99	172.00 344.00 537.50	27.99 27.99 27.99	219.50 438.50 686.50			27.99 27.99 27.99	219.50 438.50 686.50		
6" 8"	27.99 27.99	1075.00 1720.00	27.99 27.99	1372.50 2196.50			27.99 27.99	1372.50 2196.50	 	
Whitwell Outside City 5/8" 3/4"	31.99 31.99	21.50 32.25	31.99 31.99	27.50 41.00			31.99 31.99	27.50 41.00		
1" 1.5" 2"	31.99 31.99	53.75 107.50	31.99 31.99	68.50 137.50			31.99 31.99	68.50 137.50		
2 3" 4" 6"	31.99 31.99 31.99	172.00 344.00 537.50 1075.00	31.99 31.99 31.99	219.50 438.50 686.50			31.99 31.99 31.99	219.50 438.50 686.50		
8"  Jasper Highlands	31.99 31.99	1720.00	31.99 31.99	1372.50 2196.50			31.99 31.99	1372.50 2196.50		
5/8" 3/4" 1"	71.38 71.38 71.38	52.15 52.15 52.15	71.38 71.38 71.38	52.15 52.15 52.15			71.38 71.38 71.38	52.15 52.15 52.15		
1.5" 2"	71.38 71.38	52.15 52.15	71.38 71.38	52.15 52.15			71.38 71.38	52.15 52.15		
3" 4" 6"	71.38 71.38 71.38	52.15 52.15 52.15	71.38 71.38 71.38	52.15 52.15 52.15			71.38 71.38 71.38	52.15 52.15 52.15		
8"  Consumption Charges  Chattanooga	71.38	52.15	71.38	52.15			71.38	52.15		
First 30 hgal Next 456 hgal	0.04881 0.77407	0.00000 1.28091	0.04318 0.68371	0.05969	0.04504 0.71532	0.05969	0.04606 0.73072	0.05969 0.94791	0.04264 0.67630	0.05969 0.94791
Next 3,254 hgal Next 33,660 hgal Next 74,600 hgal	0.48631 0.36358 0.27791	1.28091 1.28091 1.28091 1.28091	0.42962 0.32110 0.24534	0.59574 0.42075 0.32145 0.19122	0.44956 0.31751 0.24257	0.59574 0.42075 0.32145	0.45906 0.34322 0.26235	0.59574 0.42075 0.32145 0.19122	0.42489 0.31766 0.24282	0.59574 0.42075 0.32145 0.19122
Over 112,000 hgal  Lookout Mountain  First 30 hgal	0.16502	0.00000	0.14574	0.05969	0.14430	0.19122	0.15579	0.05969	0.14419	0.05969
Next 456 hgal Next 3,254 hgal Next 33,660 hgal	0.99710 0.70934 0.49524	1.28091 1.28091 1.28091	0.88065 0.62656 0.43800	0.94791 0.59574 0.42075	0.88299 0.62818 0.43917	0.94791 0.59574 0.42075	0.94125 0.66964 0.46816	0.94791 0.59574 0.42075	0.87118 0.61976 0.43330	0.94791 0.59574 0.42075
Next 74,600 hgal Over 112,000 hgal	0.41049 0.29760	1.28091	0.36280 0.26283	0.32145 0.19122	0.36351 0.26354	0.32145 0.19122	0.38749 0.28093	0.32145 0.19122	0.35864 0.26001	0.32145 0.19122
<b>Lakeview</b> First 30 hgal Next 456 hgal	0.08984 0.85303	0.00000 1.28091	0.07912 0.75350	0.05969 0.94791	0.07956 0.75526	0.05969 0.94791	0.08459 0.80519	0.05969 0.94791	0.07849 0.74528	0.05969 0.94791
Next 3,254 hgal Next 33,660 hgal Next 74,600 hgal	0.56529 0.40399 0.31855	1.28091 1.28091 1.28091	0.49942 0.35705 0.28145	0.59574 0.42075 0.32145	0.50056 0.35776 0.28209	0.59574 0.42075 0.32145	0.53363 0.38137 0.30072	0.59574 0.42075 0.32145	0.49387 0.35297 0.27831	0.59574 0.42075 0.32145
Over 112,000 hgal	0.20567	1.28091	0.18148	0.19122	0.18212	0.19122	0.19414	0.19122	0.17968	0.19122
First 15 hgal Next 79 hgal Over 94 hgal	0.00000 0.83123 0.62346		0.00000 0.73271 0.55078							
First 30 hgal Next 456 hgal		0.00000 1.28091		0.05969 0.94791						
Next 3,254 hgal Next 33,660 hgal Next 74,600 hgal		1.28091 1.28091 1.28091		0.59574 0.42075 0.32145						
Over 112,000 hgal  Whitwell Inside City		1.28091		0.19122						
First 20 hgal Next 20 hgal Next 20 hgal	0.00000 0.65698 0.62413		0.00000 0.65698 0.62413				0.00000 0.65698 0.62413			
Over 60 hgal	0.57349	0.00000	0.57349	0.05969			0.57349	0.05969		
First 30 hgal Next 456 hgal Next 3,254 hgal		1.28091 1.28091 1.28091		0.94791 0.59574				0.94791 0.59574 0.42075		
Next 33,660 hgal Next 74,600 hgal Over 112,000 hgal		1.28091 1.28091 1.28091		0.42075 0.32145 0.19122				0.32145 0.19122		
Whitwell Outside City First 20 hgal	0.00000		0.00000							
Next 20 hgal Next 20 hgal Over 60 hgal	0.80343 0.72815 0.59812		0.80343 0.72815 0.59812							
First 30 hgal Next 456 hgal		0.00000 1.28091		0.05969 0.94791				0.05969 0.94791		
Next 3,254 hgal Next 33,660 hgal Next 74,600 hgal		1.28091 1.28091 1.28091		0.59574 0.42075 0.32145				0.59574 0.42075 0.32145		
Over 112,000 hgal  Jasper Highlands		1.28091		0.19122				0.19122		
First 25 hgal Next 25 hgal Next 25 hgal	0.00000 1.79300 1.60138	0.00000 1.11790 1.11790	0.00000 1.79300 1.60138	0.00000 1.11790 1.11790			0.00000 1.79300 1.60138	0.00000 1.11790 1.11790		

Special Contract Usage Rates (hgal)	Current Including Riders	Proposed
Catoosa County	0.22236	0.2285
Fort Oglethorpe	0.19292	0.1983
Signal Mountain	0.18928	0.1945
Walker County	0.18499	0.1901

Next 25 hgal Over 75 hgal

	Mor	ithly	Quarterly		
	Current Including		Current Including		
Private Fire Service	Riders	Proposed	Riders	Proposed	
1"	4.20	4.70	12.59	14.10	
1-1/2"	9.47	10.70	28.4	32.10	
2"	16.84	19.00	50.52	57.00	
2-1/2"	25.68	28.90	77.03	86.70	
3"	37.84	42.60	113.55	127.80	
4"	75.80	85.50	227.38	256.50	
6"	151.47	170.75	454.41	512.25	
8"	303.19	341.65	909.58	1024.95	
10"	454.82	512.40	1364.47	1537.20	
12"	606.48	683.30	1819.45	2049.90	
Private Hydrant	144.49	162.86	433.49	488.58	

1.11790 1.11790

1-1/2"	9.47	10.70	28.4	32.10
2"	16.84	19.00	50.52	57.0
2-1/2"	25.68	28.90	77.03	86.70
3"	37.84	42.60	113.55	127.8
4"	75.80	85.50	227.38	256.50
6"	151.47	170.75	454.41	512.2
8"	303.19	341.65	909.58	1024.9
10"	454.82	512.40	1364.47	1537.2
12"	606.48	683.30	1819.45	2049.9
Private Hydrant	144.49	162.86	433.49	488.5
Other Operating Revenue Fees	Current	Proposed		
Activity Fee	\$15.00	\$0.00		
New Service Fee	\$25.00	\$0.00		
Activation Fee	\$0.00	\$25.00		
Disconnection-Reconnection Fee	\$15.00	\$30.00		

\$0.00 \$15.00 \$15.00 \$30.00 Disconnection-Reconnection Fee Sewer NSF Charge Usage Data After Hours Fee \$20.00 \$20.00 \$0.02 \$0.00 \$0.02 \$40.00 Meter Tampering Charge \$92.00 \$250.00

## **EXHIBIT B**

# Chattanooga Times Free Press

Account #: AP100722

Company: TENNESSEE AMERICAN WATER CO

109 WIEHL ST

CHATTANOOGA, TN 37403

Ad number #: 448905

PO #:

Matter of: TN AMERICAN WATER

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Before me personally appeared Samara Swafford, who being duly sworn that she is the Legal Sales Representative of the CHATTANOOGA TIMES FREE PRESS, and that the Legal Ad of which the attached is a true copy, has been published in the above named newspaper and on the corresponding newspaper website on the following dates, to-wit:

Times Free Press 10/20/24; TimesFreePress.com 10/20/24

And that there is due or has been paid the CHATTANOOGA TIMES FREE PRESS for publication the sum of \$2,741.51.

Samora Swafford

Sworn to and subscribed before me this date:25th day of October, 2024



My Commission Expires 12/14/2026

Shorigua Klambrick

Chattanooga Times Free Press

400 EAST 11TH ST CHATTANOOGA, TN 37403

### **EXHIBIT C**

### TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Electronically Filed in TPUC Docket Room November 8, 2024 at 4:04 p.m.



502 Deaderick Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Nashville, TN 37243-0001

#### NOTICE OF HEARING

IN RE: PETITION OF TENNESSEE-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY TO

MODIFY TARIFF, CHANGE AND INCREASE CHARGES, FEES, AND RATES, AND FOR APPROVAL OF A GENERAL RATE

**INCREASE** 

**DOCKET NO.:** 24-00032

DATE: NOVEMBER 8, 2024

In accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-5-101 et seq., a hearing on the Petition of Tennessee-American Water Company to Modify Tariff, Change and Increase Charges, Fees, and Rates, and for Approval of a General Rate Increase filed by Tennessee-American Water Company on May 1, 2024, has been scheduled in the above-styled docket. The hearing will be held in Hearing Room G.201 located on the Ground Floor of the Andrew Jackson State Office Building, 500 Deaderick Street, Nashville, Tennessee, beginning at 10:00 a.m. (CST) on November 18, 2024, and will continue as needed each weekday through November 21, 2024, in the discretion of the panel.

This matter will be heard by Chairman David F. Jones, Vice Chairman John Hie, Commissioner Herbert H. Hilliard, Commissioner Clary R. Good, and Commissioner David Crowell, the voting panel of Commissioners assigned to this docket, and will be conducted in accordance with the Tennessee Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-101 et seq. All parties are entitled to be represented by counsel at their own expense.

Members of the public may participate by presenting verbal comments during the hearing and/or filing written comments in the docket file by completing the comment form at <a href="https://www.tn.gov/tpuc/agency/public-participation-/tpuc-online-public-comment-form.html">https://www.tn.gov/tpuc/agency/public-participation-/tpuc-online-public-comment-form.html</a> or by sending an email to **contact.tpuc@tn.gov** with a reference to **Docket No. 24-00032** in the subject line of the email. In addition, the public is invited to join the meeting by:

### At least Five (5) minutes before the 10:00 a.m. start time:

(1) Dial: 1+(615) 747-4911 || 1+(415) 655-0001 U.S. Toll ||

(2) Enter Access Code: 2301 359 7765

### (3) Place your telephone on mute.

A copy of the Petition and related filings and notices can be found in their entirety under Docket No. 24-00032 on the Active Docket Index page of the Commission's website at **tn.gov/TPUC** or by navigating to the following link: <a href="https://share.tn.gov/tra/dockets/2400032.htm">https://share.tn.gov/tra/dockets/2400032.htm</a>.

Participants with disabilities who require special accommodations or alternate communications formats should contact the Tennessee Public Utility Commission ADA-EEO/AA Coordinator/Officer at 502 Deaderick Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505, 1-800-342-8359 or TDD (615) 741-3930, so that reasonable accommodations can be made.

### FOR THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

Monica Smith-Ashford, Administrative Judge

## **EXHIBIT D**



November 11, 2024

Hon. David Jones, 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 to Modify Tariff, Change and Increase Charges, Fees, and Rates, and for Approval of a General Rate Increase, TPUC Docket No. 24-00032

Dear Chairman Jones:

In compliance with Rule 1220-4-1-.05 of the Rules of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission ("Commission"), by this letter I confirm that a copy of the Legal Notice of Hearing setting forth the proposed rates in the above-captioned matter was posted on October 20, 2024, and the Commission's Notice of Hearing issued was posted on November 11, 2024, in the main lobby of Tennessee-American Water Company, 109 Wiehl Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee, and at its Whitwell operations at 2400 Highway 283, Whitwell, Tennessee. The notices will remain posted until after the hearing concludes.

Sincerely,

Grant A. Evitts, President