STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: CITY OF NEWPORT WATER DIVISION
APPLICATION TO CHANGE RATE SCHEDULES

DOCKET NO. 4025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 39-1-1 and 39-3-11 of the General Laws, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") will conduct public hearings on the following dates and locations:

March 26, 2009 @ 7:00 P.M. Newport City Hall, Council Chambers

43 Broadway

Newport, Rhode Island

May 27, 2009 @ 9:30 A.M. Public Utilities Commission

89 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, Rhode Island

The hearings may continue thereafter from day to day and time to time as required.

In this docket, the Commission will examine the propriety of an application by the City of Newport Water Division seeking approval to implement new rates designed to generate additional revenues in the amount of \$3,353,023 to support total cost of service of \$12,754,756 or an overall increase of 35.7% over current authorized revenues. If approved, the impact on a residential customer's bill will be an increase of \$92.84 per year or 28.8%. The impact on other retail customers' bills will vary from 28.8% to 28.9% based on classification and consumption. The Commission can approve different rates that may be higher or lower than those proposed by the Newport Water Division.

The filing is on file for examination at the Commission's office and at office of the Newport Water Division, 70 Halsey Street, Newport, Rhode Island. The application can also be accessed at www.ripuc.org, Commission Docket Menu, Docket 4025.

Reference is made to Chapters 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws; specifically Sections 39-1-7, 39-1-8, 39-1-11, 39-1-12, 39-1-16, 39-1-18, 39-1-20, 42-35-8 and 42-35-10.

These buildings are accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Commission Clerk's Office at 941-4500, seventy-two hours in advance of hearing date.

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk March 16, 2009