

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IN RE: KENT COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY  
APPLICATION TO CHANGE RATE SCHEDULES

DOCKET NO. 4142

**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 a public hearing on **Wednesday, March 24, 2010 @ 6:00 P.M.** in the Council Chambers of Warwick City Hall, located in 3275 Post Road, Warwick, Rhode Island. The purpose of this hearing is to solicit public comments regarding the Kent County Water Authority’s proposed rate filing that is pending before the Commission. The evidentiary hearing will follow on Wednesday, April 7, 2010 @ 1:00 P.M. at the Commission’s office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island.

In this docket, the Commission will examine the propriety of the Kent County Water Authority’s (“KCWA”) application to implement new rates designed to generate additional revenues in the amount of \$1,460,031 to support a total revenue requirement of \$19,341,701. This application represents a revenue decrease of \$359,992 from that which was previously approved by the Commission. KCWA maintains that while it proposes to reduce its revenue requirement, it has experienced a significant decline in consumption sales and purchases and KCWA seeks approval to implement an across the board rate increase of approximately 8.2% based on actual consumption figures for the calendar year 2009. If approved, the impact on a residential customer’s bill with an annual consumption of 110 HCF will be an increase of \$45.12, from \$552.72 to \$597.84 per year. The Commission can approve different rates that may be higher or lower than that proposed by the KWCA.

The deadline to file a Motion to Intervene in this docket is March 10, 2010. The filing is on file for examination at the Commission’s office and at the office of Kent County Water Authority, 1072 Main Street, West Warwick, RI. The application can also be accessed under the Commission Docket Menu at [www.ripuc.org](http://www.ripuc.org).

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 building are accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requesting interpreter services must notify the Commission Clerk’s office at 401-780-2107 seventy-two hours in advance of hearing date.

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk  
February 26, 2010