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

IN RE: CITY OF WOONSOCKET WATE DIVISION DOCKET NO. 4320 APPLICATION TO CHANGE RATES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions Rhode Island General Laws §§ 39-1-1 and 39-3-11, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") will conduct hearings on the following dates and locations to accept public comment regarding the City of Woonsocket Water Division proposed rate application:

May 17, 2012 @ 6:00 P.M.	Woonsocket City Hall, Council Chambers
	169 Main Street
	Woonsocket, Rhode Island
September 25, 2012 @ 9:30 A.M.	Public Utilities Commission
	89 Jefferson Boulevard
	Warwick, Rhode Island

In this docket, the Commission will examine the propriety of an application by the City of Woonsocket Water Division seeking approval to implement new rates designed to generate additional operating revenues in the amount of \$813,326 to support a total cost of service of \$8,301,954. As proposed, the bill impact on a typical residential customer in Woonsocket with an annual consumption of 10,000 cubic feet per year is an increase of \$58.00 per year or 11.58%. The bill impact on other Woonsocket residents is in the range of 8.33% to 12.77% based on meter size and consumption. The impact to ratepayers in other communities served by Woonsocket Water is an increase in the range of 7.77% to 9.52%. The Commission may approve different rates that may be higher or lower than that proposed by the Woonsocket Water Division.

The application is on file for examination at the Commission's office and at office of Woonsocket Water Division, 169 Main St., Woonsocket, Rhode Island. The application can also be accessed at <u>www.ripuc.org</u>, Commission's Docket Menu, Docket No. 4320. Reference is made to Chapters 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

These buildings are accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Clerk's office at 780-2017 seventy-two hours in advance of hearing date.

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk May 6, 2012