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

IN RE: KENT COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY: DOCKET NO	
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## KENT COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY'S REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME

The Kent County Water Authority ("KCWA") is filing a request for a Rate Change before this Commission on the same date as the within Request. In its Rate Change application, KCWA test year ends on June 30, 2015 which is the end of its fiscal year. Under the Public Utilities Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure ("Rules") Rule 2.6 (a) "... The test year constitutes a historic year of actual data for a period ending within nine (9) month of the filing year. The test year may be for such other period as the Commission may allow." As a result, KCWA's test year is eight (8) days beyond the time allotted under Rule 2.6 (a).

Since KCWA's test year is based on the end of its fiscal year, all of the historical data in the Rate case is based on the actual end of the fiscal year and provides a full year's comparison with the proposed rate year. Moreover, the additional eight (8) days does not pose any changes in KCWA's test year's data. Therefore, KCWA respectfully requests that The Public Utilities Commission

("Commission") extend the test year in KCWA's current rate case by eight (8) days and accept the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015 as the test year

WHEREFORE, the Kent County Water Authority prays that the Commission grant the relief sought herein.

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proposed rate increase on the metered sales service charge with the assumption of the Public Fire Service Charge will result in a Service Charge increase of \$29.11 per quarter or 25.2% for an average customer using 2,000 cubic feet per quarter (166 gallons per day). The impact of the proposed rate increase on other retail customer classes is between -0.7% to 30.9%. Public Fire Service charge will be \$0.00 a decrease of 100% and the Private Fire Service is from 72.2% to 74.9%. The step increase proposed of 3.85% for July 1, 2017 and 6.28% for July 1, 2018 will remain the same.

Three additional tariff charges are being proposed with this rate filing:

- Meter Testing cost applicable to all requested testing of meters is requested to be increased from \$50.00 per occurrence to \$100.00 per occurrence.
- Billable Lost Water cost applicable to lost water caused by ruptured mains, service pipes and other system actions by others established at the tariff rate of 5/8" to 2" metered water rate.
- If Public Fire Service Charge is eliminated and assumed by the Metered Sales Service Charge, the cost of hydrant installation requested will be billed at cost to the requesting party.

While the new rates requested under the first step of this increase are proposed to become effective May 9, 2016, the Commission can suspend the rates up to eight months from the proposed effective date. No rate change will take effect until the Commission has conducted a full investigation and hearing on the proposal. The Commission will publish a notice of the hearing dates when they are scheduled. Ratepayers may comment on the proposed rate increases at that time.

A copy of this filing is on file at our office at 1072 Main Street or on our website <a href="https://www.kentcountywater.org">www.kentcountywater.org</a> and at the Public Utilities Commission, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, RI 02889 and may be examined by the public during business hours. Also, copies are available at the public libraries and the cities and towns we service.

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