

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND)	
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,)	
)	DOCKET UW-011381
Complainant,)	
)	ORDER DISMISSING
v.)	COMPLAINT AND ORDER
)	SUSPENDING CONTRACT,
SOUTH BAINBRIDGE WATER)	GRANTING CONTRACT
SYSTEM, INC.)	AND WAIVER OF RULE
)	WAC 480-110-445(1) & (5)
Respondent.)	
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BACKGROUND

- 1 On October 8, 2001, South Bainbridge Water System, Inc. (South Bainbridge Water or Company) filed with the Commission a line extension contract and requested waiver of WAC 480-110-445 (1) & (5), service connections and customer service lines.

- 2 On October 31, 2001, the Commission entered a Complaint and Order Suspending Contract pending an investigation to determine whether the contract provisions are fair, just and reasonable.

- 3 The Company requested this line extension contract is to allow the location of the meter off the customer's property and would establish areas of responsibility. This project includes the construction of approximately five hundred (500) feet of six (6) inch ductile iron pipe and the installation of two service meters. All construction cost will be paid by the customer and accounted for as Contributions In Aid of Construction (CIAC) on the company's books and records.

- 4 The contract between South Bainbridge Water and the customer is asking for a waiver of WAC 480-110-445 (1) & (5) which determines where service meters should be located and establishes areas of responsibility. By this line extension agreement the meter would be located approximately two hundred eighty (280) feet from the customer's property. The customer will be required to obtain an easement and install and maintain a service line (280 feet) from the meter to the customer's property.

FINDINGS

- 5 (1) South Bainbridge Water System, Inc., is a water utility company and is a public service company subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.
- 6 (2) It is consistent with the public interest to dismiss the Complaint and Order Suspending Contract in this docket and approve the contract to become effective on November 29, 2001.
- 7 (3) The limited waiver of WAC 480-110-445 (1) & (5) service connections and customer service lines, as described above, is reasonable and consistent with the public interest and should therefore be granted.

ORDER

8 THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 9 (1) The Commission dismisses the Complaint and Order Suspending Contract in this docket, dated October 31, 2001.
- 10 (2) The Contract filed in this docket, UW-011381, shall be effective on November 29, 2001.
- 11 (3) South Bainbridge Water System, Inc. is granted a limited wavier of WAC 480-110-445 (1) & (5) service connections and customer service lines.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 29th day of November, 2001.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN
Secretary