

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

CASCADIA WATER, LLC

Respondent.

DOCKET UW-240151

NOTICE OF PREHEARING
CONFERENCE

(Set for August 21, 2024, at
9:30 a.m.)

- 1 On February 29, 2024, Cascadia Water, LLC (Cascadia Water or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) tariff revisions that would generate approximately \$1,788,793 (75 percent) additional annual revenue. The Company serves approximately 4,000 customers. The Company's last general rate case was effective July 1, 2021, with phased-in rates.
- 2 On June 27, 2024, this matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled open meeting
- 3 On June 28, 2024, the Commission issued Order 01 Complaint and Order Suspending Tariff Revisions (Order 01) in Docket UW-240151. Order 01 set the matter for adjudication.
- 4 **STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to RCW 80.01.040, chapter 80.04 RCW including RCW 80.04.110 and RCW 80.04.380, chapter 80.28 RCW, and chapter 480-110 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC).
- 5 The Commission will hear this matter under the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), particularly Part IV of Chapter 34.05 RCW relating to adjudications. The provisions of the APA that relate to this proceeding include, but are not limited to RCW 34.05.413, RCW 34.05.422, RCW 34.05.431, RCW 34.05.440, RCW 34.05.449, and RCW 34.05.452. The Commission will also follow its procedural rules in WAC 480-07 in this proceeding.

6 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That it will hold a virtual prehearing conference in this matter at 9:30 a.m., on August 21, 2024. To attend via Zoom, please [click here to join meeting](#).¹ To attend by phone, please call (253) 215-8782 and enter the Meeting ID: 813 6630 1592# and Passcode: 015521#.**

7 The purpose of the prehearing conference is to consider requests for intervention, resolve scheduling matters including establishing dates for distributing evidence, to identify the issues in the proceeding, and determine other matters to assist the Commission in resolving the matter, as listed in WAC 480-07-430.

8 **INTERVENTION:** Persons who wish to intervene should file a petition to intervene in writing at least three business days before the date of the prehearing conference. *See* WAC 480-07-355(a). The Commission will consider oral petitions to intervene during the conference, but strongly prefers written petitions to intervene. Party representatives must file a notice of appearance with the Commission no later than the business day before the conference. *See* WAC 480-07-345(2). Any party or witness in need of an interpreter or other assistance should fill out the form attached to this Notice and return it to the Commission. The Commission will set the time and place for any evidentiary hearings at the prehearing conference, on the record of a later conference or hearing session, or by later written notice.

9 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That any party who fails to attend or participate in the prehearing conference set by this Notice, or any other stage of this proceeding, may be held in default under RCW 34.05.440 and WAC 480-07-450.**

10 The names and mailing addresses of all known parties and their known representatives are as follows:

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¹ <https://utc-wa-gov.zoom.us/j/81366301592?pwd=dYzHb7qOcYooHJhzbGyjdP0cac0f5.1>

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11 Administrative Law Judge M. Hayley Callahan, from the Commission's Administrative Law Division, will preside during this proceeding².

12 The Attorney General has designated Tad O'Neill from the Public Counsel Unit of the Washington Attorney General's Office (Public Counsel) to represent the public. You may

² Judge Callahan can be reached at hayley.callahan@utc.wa.gov or (360) 664-1189

use the Commission's address, shown below, for contacting Public Counsel, or you may contact Public Counsel directly by writing or calling the address or telephone number listed below.]

- 13 The Commission will give parties notice of any other procedural phase of the proceeding in writing or on the record, as appropriate during this proceeding.

DATED at Lacey, Washington, and effective **July 16**, 2024.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

JEFF KILLIP
Executive Director and Secretary

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If you need an interpreter, or have other special needs, please provide the information requested below via email to Stacey Brewster, paralegal, at stacey.brewster@utc.wa.gov:

(PLEASE SUPPLY ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION)

Docket: _____

Case Name: _____

Hearing Date: _____ Hearing Location: _____

Primary Language: _____

Hearing Impaired: (Yes) _____ (No) _____

Do you need a certified sign language interpreter:

Visual _____ Tactile _____

Other type of assistance needed: _____