

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

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| In the Matter of a Penalty Assessment Against | DOCKET UW-170425 |
| WASHINGTON WATER SUPPLY, INC. | ORDER 01 |
| in the amount of \$1,000 | ORDER GRANTING PAYMENT ARRANGEMENT |

BACKGROUND

- 1 On June 22, 2017, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) assessed a \$1,000 penalty (Penalty Assessment) against Washington Water Supply, Inc. (Washington Water or Company) for 10 violations of Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 480-110-505, which requires water companies to file their annual report and pay regulatory fees by May 1 each year.
- 2 On August 17, 2017, Commission staff (Staff) contacted the Executive Director and Secretary of the Commission explaining that Washington Water requested to pay the penalty in installments, and that Staff supports the Company's request. Staff noted that the Company made its first payment of \$250 on August 17. The Company and Staff jointly propose the following payment schedule for the remaining \$750 balance:

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| September 25, 2017 | \$250 |
| October 25, 2017 | \$250 |
| November 27, 2017 | \$250 |

- 3 Staff also proposes that if Washington Water misses one payment, the entire balance will become due and payable immediately, and if the Company fails to pay the penalty in full by November 27, 2017, the Commission may refer the balance to the Attorney General's Office for enforcement.

DISCUSSION

- 4 The installment payment schedule Staff and the Company propose is reasonable. We approve the proposed payment arrangement subject to the conditions that Staff proposes with one modification. Washington Water may make additional payments in advance of the payment due dates or pay an increased amount on the due dates, but no additional

payment or increased amount will relieve the Company of its obligation to make timely monthly installments of \$250 until the full amount of \$1,000 is satisfied.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 5 (1) The remaining balance of the \$1,000 penalty is due and payable to the Commission in installments as set out in paragraph 2, above.
- 6 (2) If Washington Water Supply, Inc. fails to pay any installment by 5 p.m. on the date it is due, the unpaid balance will immediately become due and payable without further order by the Commission.
- 7 The Secretary has been delegated authority to enter this order on behalf of the Commissioners under WAC 480-07-904(1)(h).

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective August 28, 2017.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

STEVEN V. KING
Executive Director and Secretary

NOTICE TO PARTIES: This is an order delegated to the Executive Secretary for decision. As authorized in WAC 480-07-904(3), you must file any request for Commission review of this order no later than 14 days after the date the decision is posted on the Commission's website.