



3 South Bainbridge Water requested this filing to add language to its tariff  
establishing a Cross Connection Control program and implementing charges for  
inspections.

4 The Washington State Department of Health (DOH) has established new rules  
and regulations (WAC 246-290-490) dealing with potential cross-connection  
hazards in water systems. A cross-connection hazard is a source of potential  
contamination to the public water supply that occurs from the customer's own  
water pipes. To help customers understand the concept of cross-connection  
control and its potential hazards, each company will provide an information  
notice about the program. To provide companies with the needed information,  
all customers will be sent an initial survey to determine the level of potential  
hazard and, if appropriate, possibly conduct an on-site visit pursuant to DOH  
regulations. The tariff has proposed that if a potential hazard related to cross-  
connection is detected, the customers will be required to take appropriate  
remedial action(s) as directed by the water company to minimize the potential  
hazard to the water system. The installation and annual certification cost of any  
back-flow prevention device will be the responsibility of the individual  
customer. The company has provided for customer disconnection from the  
water system if a back-flow prevention device is not installed or tested annually.

### FINDINGS

5 (1) South Bainbridge Water Company, Inc., is a water company and is a  
public service company subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.

6 (2) Respondent has demonstrated that the increased rates and charges in its  
revised tariff revision would result in rates that are fair, just, and  
reasonable.

- 7 (3) It is consistent with the public interest to dismiss the Complaint and Order  
Suspending Tariff Revision in this docket and to approve the revised tariff  
revision to South Bainbridge Water Company, Inc.'s Tariff WN U-2,  
effective on November 16, 2002.

**ORDER**

8 THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 9 (1) The Commission dismisses the Complaint and Order Suspending Tariff  
Revision in this docket, dated June 26, 2002.
- 10 (2) The revised tariff pages filed in this docket on November 7, 2002, shall be  
effective on November 16, 2002.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 15th day of November, 2002.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MARILYN SHOWALTER, Chairwoman

RICHARD HEMSTAD, Commissioner

PATRICK J. OSHIE, Commissioner