

May 24, 2002

**NOTICE GRANTING IN PART EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE PETITION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW**

RE: WUTC v. Rainier View Water Company, Inc.
Docket No. UW-010877

TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD:

Commission Staff is granted an extension of time to file a petition for administrative review in this docket until Friday, May 24, 2002.

Rainier View's proposal for a limited extension of the suspension date conditioned upon a waiver of refunds of excess interim charges in the event of a lesser approved rate is not acceptable, and the Commission's schedule during the period in question will severely restrict its ability to decide contested matters if the time for answers to a petition for administrative review is extended.

Consequently, the time for answers to the petition for administrative review is not extended. In so stating, we note that the parties have had time to review the initial order and do not anticipate that the shortened time will impose a severe burden on the respondent. Rainier View may, after receiving the petition for administrative review, seek an extension of the time for answer.

Sincerely,

CAROLE J. WASHBURN
Secretary