

September 15, 2014

Steven V. King, Executive Director & Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: UW-141301

Sale and Transfer of Cristalina Water System to Washington Water Service Company.

Dear Mr. King;

In the acquisition agreement for the purchase of the Cristalina Water system, Washington Water Service Company (WWSC) is assuming the loan that Cristalina obtained in 2009 through the Public Works Board for a loan from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund program.

In Docket UW-090516 Cristalina was approved to collect a \$32 per customer per month surcharge. WWSC will be retaining this item of the Cristalina tariff. One of the conditions of the surcharge is that the company must maintain a separate bank account for the funds collected through the surcharge. (WAC 480-110-455(4). WWSC is asking for an exemption of this requirement

A deposit account held at Bank of America under our parent account would have a monthly fee of approximately \$20 per month offset with an earnings allowance of less than \$10 per month; resulting in a deficient of the fund. We propose creating a separate general ledger account that would allow for tracking and reporting of the surcharge to the commission.

Please do not hesitate to call me at 253-851-3422 ext 1105, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Charlene E. Pratt Accounting Manager