**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

 Rainier View Water Co., Inc. is filing a general rate increase with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission. If approved, the effective date of the increase will be **June 16, 2017**.

 The change in rates will produce approximately $430,632 in additional annual revenue. This represents a 6.7 percent increase in revenue. The reason for the increase is to respond to the increasing costs of operation, primarily in employee wage increases and insurance.

 The increase will only affect the base rate, and not usage rates. The change in rates for Metered Rate Service is as follows:

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| **Meter Size** | **Current Base Rate** | **Proposed Base Rate** | **Percent of Increase** |
| 3/4-inch | $13.90 | $15.75 | 13.31 |
|  1-inch | $17.75 | $26.30 | 48.17 |
| 1 1/2-inch | $46.40 | $53.50 | 15.30 |
| 2-inch | $74.20 | $86.25 | 16.24 |
| 3-inch | $139.00 | $161.75 | 16.37 |
| 4-inch | $231.70 | $270.50 | 16.75 |
| 6-inch | $463.40 | $542.00 | 16.96 |

 The commission has the authority to set final rates that may be lower or higher than the company’s request, depending on the outcome of its investigation. You can submit comments by going to www.[utc.wa.gov](http://www.utc.wa.gov) and clicking “Submit a Comment,” or by one of the following options:

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW

P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA  98504-7250

E-mail:  comments@utc.wa.gov

Telephone:  1-888-333-WUTC (9882)

 Commission staff will make a recommendation to the commissioners at an open meeting in Olympia, which is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on **June 15, 2017**, and you will have an opportunity to comment in person at this meeting. If you are unable to attend the open meeting, you can participate by telephone by calling 360-664-1234 the day before the open meeting for instructions and to sign in.

 A memo containing the staff recommendation will be available on the commission website about three days prior to the open meeting. To view the memo, go to www.utc.wa.gov. Click on the link near the bottom that says "Documents." Under "Open Meetings," click on "Agendas, meeting minutes, orders." When the open meeting date (see above) appears, click on the memo for this filing. This will take you to a page with the memo and any associated attachments.

 The commission is committed to providing reasonable accommodation to participants with disabilities. If you need reasonable accommodation, please contact the commission at (360) 664-1132 or human\_resources@utc.wa.gov.

 If you have further questions about the surcharge, please contact us at (253) 537-6634.

Sincerely,

Rainier View Water Co., Inc.