

**BEFORE THE  
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Proposed Transfer of  
Property to Blue Rock Water Company, LLC

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PETITION FOR APPROVAL

This Petition for Approval is filed by Blue Rock Water Company, LLC ("Blue Rock" or the "Company") pursuant to a request from Commission Staff to have a Petition available should the Commission determine that the conditions surrounding Blue Rock constitute a transfer of property under Chapter 80.12 RCW. If the Commission determines that such circumstances exist, Blue Rock respectfully requests that the Commission approve the transfer of property to Blue Rock.

**BACKGROUND**

This matter grows out of the settlement of the Estate of David K. Dorland, Sr. who passed away on October 11, 2015. Mr. Dorland was the primary shareholder of Iliad, Inc. Iliad, Inc. held all of the membership interest in Iliad Water Company, LLC ("Iliad Water"). Iliad Water is a regulated water company subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.

The estate became contested. In order to resolve the issues related to the estate, all of the heirs agreed to enter into binding mediation. Mediation sessions were held before a retired judge. As a result of the binding mediation an agreement was reached which was entered in the court and has the force and effect of a court order. See RCW 11.96A.220.

The salient aspect of the settlement of the estate is that the ownership interest of Iliad Water was transferred to Blue Rock Management, LLC (mistakenly referred to in the court document as Blue Rock, LLC). As part of that transfer, it was required that the name of Iliad Water be changed within a very short period of time and was conditioned upon the prohibition that neither the name "Iliad" or "Dorland" could be used as part of the new name.

As a result of this situation, shortly after the court document was entered, Blue Rock Management, LLC as the now new holder of all of the membership interests of Iliad Water changed the name of Iliad Water to Blue Rock Water Company, LLC. The Commission was notified of the name change. A customer notice was developed, reviewed by Commission Staff

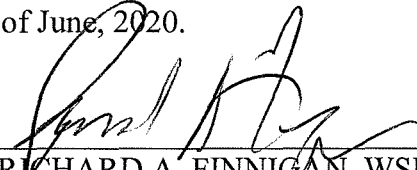
and sent to customers informing them of the name change and the new contact information, including address, telephone number and email address.

Commission Staff asserts that the above described situation constitutes a transfer of property under Chapter 80.12 RCW. The Company respectfully disagrees. The Company's position is that there has not been any transfer from one entity to another. The entity has remained the same. However, the ownership of the entity has changed and the name of the entity has changed. Both of these changes are pursuant to what is in essence a court order. In any event, the Company wishes to have this matter resolved as expeditiously as possible and therefore has agreed to file this Petition so that it is available if the Commission determines that this in fact constitutes a transfer of property under Chapter 80.12 RCW.

#### REQUESTED RELIEF

If the Commission determines that the above described situation constitutes a transfer of property under Chapter 80.12 RCW, the Company respectfully requests that the Commission approve the transfer of property so that this issue is resolved and the Company can devote its energies and attention to improving service to its customers.

Respectfully submitted this 22nd day of June, 2020.

  
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