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Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
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To The Commission:

Lehman Enterprises, Inc. (hereby referred to as "the Company") is seeking a general rate increase, and is requesting that the Commission approve the filing. We are requesting an effective date of May 1, 2013. The proposed rates would increase revenues to the Company by \$116,420 annually, which is a 52.8 percent increase. The last rate increase for Lehman Enterprises, Inc. went into effect on November 15, 2003. This applies to water identification numbers 04979V, 310406, 030995, 939458, 76976N, 15533A, 38451X, 62060V, 00678P, and 466703, all in Island County.

This filing represents an increase of the base rate for unmetered customers from \$17.50 to \$32.50 a month, which is a 46.1 percent increase; for ready-to-serve customers from \$5.00 a month to \$17.50 a month, which is a 71.4 percent increase; and no change to the base rate for metered customers, but a change in the usage tiers. Our current usage tiers are \$0.50 for 0-500 cubic feet, \$1.00 for 500-1000 cubic feet, \$1.25 for 1000-1500 cubic feet, \$1.50 for 1500-2000 cubic feet, \$2.00 for 2000-2500 cubic feet, \$2.50 for 2500-3000 cubic feet, and \$3.00 for all water above 3000 cubic feet. Our proposed tiers are \$1.50 for 0-500 cubic feet, \$2.75 for 501-1499 cubic feet, and \$5.50 for all water above 1500 cubic feet. The average metered customer, using 563 cubic feet per month, will see a monthly increase of \$5.95 or 22.2 percent.

The reason for the filing is that the Company has found that its cost of operation has exceeded revenues. We have not sought a rate increase in ten years. As such, we are having difficulty meeting the expanding costs of testing, wages, insurance, as well as the costs of operating expenses (postage, utilities, fuel, taxes, etc). More information is contained in the Customer Notice, a copy of which is attached.

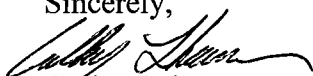
In this filing, the Company has included the following documents:

- Tariff Sheet No. 15 – Second Revision
- Tariff Sheet No. 16 – Second Revision
- Tariff Sheet No. 17 – First Revision
- Rate Increase Notice to Customers
- General Rate Case Workbook

The Customer Notice was approved by John Cupp of the Commission's Customer Protection section on March 15, 2013, and mailed via U.S. Mail on Tuesday, March 19, 2013.

The Commission may contact Culley Lehman at (360) 331-7388, or by e-mail at lehmanwater@whidbey.com. Please call or email when you need more information. Thank you for your attention to this filing.

Sincerely,



Culley Lehman
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