# BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application for the	)	
Sale and Transfer of Northwest Water	)	
Services, LLC of 50% Membership From	)	DOCKET
Carol Rofkar	j) ,	
To	)	APPLICATION FOR SALE
Kelly Wynn	)	AND TRANSFER OF 50%
	)	MEMBERSHIP AND TARIFF
	)	ADOPTION
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# **BACKGROUND**

Application is hereby made to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission for an Order authorizing the transfer of 50% membership under the provisions of chapter 80.12 RCW and chapter 480-143 WAC.

# INTRODUCTION

- Northwest Water Services, LLC is a Washington Limited Liability Corporation formed to act as a utility ownership company. Northwest Water Services, LLC is located in Bellingham and Mount Vernon Washington, currently owns a water system serving over 400 customers. The 50% Membership transfer involving the water system to be transferred consists of wells, pumps, transmission mains, reservoirs, hydrants, distribution mains, meters, and appurtenances to serve the customers of the Northwest Water Services, LLC. The offices will move fully to the Mount Vernon Washington address. The water system is currently operating under a green operating permit issued by the Washington State Department of Health and has no outstanding orders or letters directing action.
- As a result of this sale and transfer of 50% Membership, Kelly Wynn will hold 100% membership of Northwest Water Services, LLC. The rates currently in effect will remain as will the current tariff of Northwest Water Services, LLC.

# **EXHIBITS**

- Pursuant to WAC 480-143-120 and WAC 480-143-130, please find attached the following exhibits:
- Exhibit 1 Instrument of Transfer. (Agreement on the Sale and Transfer of 50% Membership)
- Exhibit 2 Adoption of Tariff Notice.
- 8 Exhibit 3 Customer notice of transfer of membership of water system(s).

#### **METHOD OF FINANCE**

The purchase price for \_\_50%\_ percent of Membership of the company is for goods and consideration will be in monthly installments.

# TRANSFER IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST

- The benefits of this transfer of company of 50% Membership and sale of the water system include consolidation of accounting and direct access to water quality staff which provide all aspects of water system ownership, repairs and maintenance. The prior partner in Northwest Water Services, LLC no longer desires to own and operate the company. Customers were notified of the sale and transfer along with their most recent billings. The proposed tariff adoption bears an effective date of February 1, 2020. This date is to coincide with company billing periods and allows a mutually agreed closing date. For accounting purposes, the bookkeeping records should be considered transferred and effective on that date.
- The current staff of Northwest Water Services, LLC has been temporarily retained for 30 days to continue customer support and transfer of accounting of the business under the ownership of Kelly Wynn.

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As a result of the sale and transfer of 50% Membership, the water rates and service charges will not change. Kelly Wynn will adopt the full tariff of Northwest Water Services, LLC., without change of any rate or charge contained therein as occasioned by this transfer.

# **PRAYER**

Based on the foregoing, the Applicants request approval of their application respectfully submitted this 1<sup>st</sup> day of January 2020.

Kelly Wynn Northwest Water Services, LLC Carol Rofkar

Northwest Water Services, LLC

Owner

Owner

# FORM OF VERIFICATION FOR APPLICATION

STATE OF	WASHINGTON
County of	5kggit

\_) being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he/she is Owner, Northwest Water Services, LLC., the applicant in the proceeding entitled above, that he/she has read the foregoing application and knows the contents thereof; that the same is true of his/her own knowledge, except as to matter which are therein stated on information or belief, and as to those matters he/she believes them to be true.

**President** 

Notary Public in and for the State of Washington, residing

At Edwards