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Amanda Maxwell
Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Wood Square Loop S.E. Lacey, WA 98503
P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Great Basin Water Company LLC General Rate Filing

Dear Ms. Maxwell:

Great Basin Water Company LLC wishes to revise our current tariff with the Commission. The company has not requested an increase in rates since 2008, when the water system was owned by Harrison-Ray Water Company, Harrison Water Company Kiona, LLC and Sunrise Acres Water Services, LLC. Since that time, there has been significant increases in expenses that we cannot cover without additional revenue provided by a rate increase. We have experienced a 30% increase in auto expenses (\$5,595), a 119% increase in office/phone/ internet/postage/supplies expenses (\$9,294), a 266% increase in rent expense (\$7,562), a 185% increase in repairs & maintenance (\$16,126), a 5% increase in materials & supplies (\$393), a 53% increase in power costs (\$15,641), a 24% increase in property taxes (\$731), a 8377% increase in utilities (\$11,131) and a 21% overall increase in payroll/professional fees (\$27,903) as Great Basin Water Company LLC is now paying a part-time water master/manager, 2 employees and outsourced bookkeeping/accounting. The company is requesting an increase in our monthly metered rates to cover these increased costs. With the increased rates, the company anticipates an increased revenue of \$108,205 (32% increase in revenue). The expected increased annual operating costs of the company are over \$96,256 from 2008 expenses (without depreciation), which would be covered by these increased rates.

Changes in rates for 3/4" metered customers:

Monthly Rates	Current Rate
Flat Rate	\$35.75
Base Rate	\$26.00
0-2,500 cu ft per 100 cu ft	\$0.88
2,501-6,500 cu ft per 100 cu ft	\$1.10
Over 6,500 cu ft per 100 cu ft	\$1.40

Monthly Rates	Proposed Rate
Flat Rate	\$35.75
Base Rate (zero cubic feet of usage)	\$27.00
0-1,000 cu ft per 100 cu ft	\$1.00
1,001-3,309 cu ft per 100 cu ft	\$2.00
Over 3,309 cu ft per 100 cu ft	\$3.00

One cu ft = approx. 7.48 gallons of water

Changes in rates for 2" metered customers:

Monthly Rates	Current Rate
Flat Rate	\$35.75
Base Rate	\$138.58
0-13,325 cu ft per 100 cu ft	\$0.88
13,325-34,645 cu ft per 100 cu ft	\$1.10
Over 34,645 cu ft per 100 cu ft	\$1.40

Monthly Rates	Proposed Rate
Flat Rate	\$35.75
Base Rate (zero cubic feet of usage)	\$143.91
0-5,330 cu ft per 100 cu ft	\$1.00
5,300-17,637 cu ft per 100 cu ft	\$2.00
Over 17,637 cu ft per 100 cu ft	\$3.00

Below is a list of changes to other fee charges:

Charge	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
Disconnection Visit Charge	\$25.00	\$25.00
Reconnection Visit Charge	\$25.00	\$50.00
Service Visit Charge	\$50.00	\$100.00
Late Payment Charge (minimum)	\$2.50	\$5.00
Account Setup	\$25.00	\$35.00
NSF Check Charge	\$9.00	\$9.00
Service Connection Charge	\$600.00	\$1000.00
Water Availability Letter Charge	\$20.00	\$20.00

The company anticipates increased revenue from the ancillary charges of \$100 for increased account setup fees (10 setups x \$10 increase), \$250 from service visit increased charges (5 visits x \$50 increased charge), and \$150 from disconnect visit charges (\$25 increase x 6 visits per year) for a total increased revenue of \$500.

Attached is:

1. Customer notice for ¾" and 2" customers (3 letters for each rate for previous customers of Great Basin Water Co Burbank, Great Basin Water Co Kiona, and Great Basin Water Co Sunrise since the customers had different rates under the different water systems.)
2. Tariff sheets
3. Water Rate Case Workbook

Please call (509) 438-4450 or (509) 302-5946 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Corey Bitton
Great Basin Water Company LLC

Enclosures