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UW-230236

### **VIA E-FILING**

Ms. Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
621 Woodland Square Loop SE  
Lacey, WA 98503

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Re: Washington Water Company – Docket UW-230236 – Petition for Deferred Accounting Treatment for Conservation Program

Dear Ms. Maxwell,

The purpose of this petition is to seek an order authorizing the deferred accounting treatment for conservation expenses incurred by Washington Water Service Company (“Washington Water”). The following will provide background and a discussion of the request.

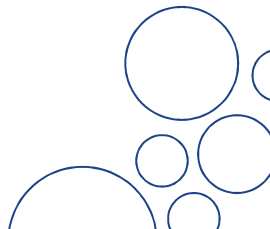
### **Background**

Washington Water filed a general rate case for its East Pierce and Legacy systems in April, 10, 2023. Included in this request is a proposed annual conservation program for Legacy and East Pierce totaling \$238,945 per year.

### **Discussion**

During settlement between Washington Water, UTC Staff and Public Counsel, the parties agreed to the validity of the program. However, due to the uncertainty of the level of customer participation in the proposed program, the parties agree to include only the amounts dedicated to public outreach and education in customer rates, and that Washington Water should file a petition for deferred accounting for the annual program costs with a maximum recoverable budget of \$191,000 per year. The parties also agreed Washington Water should apply a carrying cost on the balance of prime rate + 2%. If this request is approved, Washington Water will track any costs incurred in this account which will remain active until Washington Water’s next general rate case effective date, which Washington Water will file between 18 and 24 months of the effect date of this proceeding.

This filing affects all water systems operated by the Company, including Public Water System Identification Numbers 52976B, 64144N, 03658C, 01695Q, 01826P, 010276, 172419, 01463N, 22751W, 367917, 36802J, 04896P, 056404, 071646, 26071R, 029534, 52801U, AA316G, 66936L, 81357L, 01016D, 01363J, 013642, 016290, 01862N, 03314W, 108086, 55631J, 11887T, 11914K, 14001T, 002533, 63381B, 47431C, 138554, 27091B, 35363W, 04863C, 15999F, 37654N, 07675L, 03014, 30049R, 03463T, 17100L, 18650L, 10340E, 02845R, 02348N, 24163J, 07167Q, 63918X, 152961, 109911, 04613U,





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If there are any questions concerning this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matt Brown", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Matt Brown, P.E.  
General Manager, WWS

