

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Petition of	)	DOCKET NO. UW-030602
	)	
SEA VIEW WATER COMPANY,	)	ORDER NO. 01
	)	
Petitioner,	)	
	)	
Seeking Exemption from the	)	
Provisions of WAC 480-110-275(3)	)	ORDER GRANTING
Relating to Filing of Annual	)	EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE
Reports by Water Companies.	)	ANNUAL REPORT
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**BACKGROUND**

- 1     On April 29, 2003, Sea View Water Company (Sea View or the Company) filed with the Commission a petition requesting an extension to file its annual report under the provisions of WAC 480-110-275(4). The petition requests Sea View Water Company be granted an extension of time to file its 2002 annual report. According to the Company, it is unable to prepare its report because its owner and chief officer died in January 2003.
- 2     Commission Staff reviewed the request and recommended granting Sea View’s request for an extension of time to file its annual report, on condition that Sea View file its 2002 annual report no later than June 15, 2003.

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

- 3     (1)    The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate rates, rules, regulations, practices, accounts, securities, and transfers of public service companies, including water companies. *RCW 80.01.040, Chapter 80.04 RCW and Chapter 80.28 RCW.*

- 4 (2) Sea View is a water company and is a public service company subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.
- 5 (3) Sea View is subject to the provisions of RCW 80.04.080 and WAC 480-110-275, requiring water companies to file an annual report no later than May 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.
- 6 (4) WAC 480-110-215 provides that the Commission may grant an exemption from the provisions of any rule in Chapter 480-110 WAC, if consistent with the public interest, the purposes underlying regulation and applicable statutes.
- 7 (5) This matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on May 14, 2003.
- 8 (6) After review of the petition filed in Docket UW-030602 by Sea View on April 29, 2003, and giving due consideration, the Commission finds that the circumstances facing the Company support an extension of the filing deadline; that the extension is consistent with the public interest and the purpose of the regulation in securing accurate as well as timely information; and that the extension is reasonable and an exemption should be granted.

## ORDER

### THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 9 (1) The Commission grants the exemption sought by Sea View Water Company for an extension of time to file its 2002 annual report. Sea View

Water Company must file its 2002 annual report no later than June 15, 2003.

- 10 (2) Failure by Sea View Water Company to file its 2002 annual report by June 15, 2003, may result in the Commission invoking provisions of Chapter 80.04 RCW that provide for penalty assessments.
- 11 (3) The Commission retains jurisdiction over Sea View Water Company and the subject matter to effectuate the provisions of this Order.

The Commissioners, having determined this Order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2003.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN, Secretary