March 6, 2017

To: Mr. Steven King, Executive Director Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive S.W. Olympia, WA 98504-7250

From: Newaukum Water System Board of Directors

Subject: Newaukum Petition for Deregulation

The Commission approved a tariff decrease to \$46/month that became effective on March 1, 2017, for Newaukum Water System customers. We are now below the UTC annual control tariff of \$557/year. It is in the best interest of Newaukum customers to be deregulated based on WAC 480-110-255 (1)(b) in order to continue pursuit of being owned and managed by a non-regulated professional water corporation.

Newaukum Water System, Inc., again points out that it is a <u>non-profit</u> corporation, not an investor-owned water company. As such it also falls into the non-regulated categories of paragraph (2)(f) of WAC 480-110-255.

Although Newaukum customers have supported the current board of directors, none have indicated a willingness to be elected to and serve on the board of directors in the future.

Attached: 1) Notice to customers of this Deregulation Petition, 2) Financial statement supporting Newaukum's ability to maintain the current customer rate to cover costs of operation

Vice Chairman

Sincerely,

Walter Ayers

Secretary Treasurer

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Newaukum Water System, Inc.