

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Petition of)	DOCKET UW-140773
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ROCHE HARBOR WATER)	ORDER 01
SYSTEM,)	
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Petitioner,)	
)	
Seeking Exemption from the)	ORDER DENYING EXEMPTION
Provisions of WAC 480-110-505)	FROM RULE FOR ADDITIONAL
Requiring Water Companies to File the)	TIME TO FILE ANNUAL
2013 Annual Report by May 1, 2014)	REPORT
.....)	

BACKGROUND

- 1 On May 1, 2014, Roche Harbor Water System (Roche Harbor or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a petition requesting an extension of time to file its 2013 annual report pursuant to WAC 480-110-505. According to Roche Harbor, it is unable to prepare the report due to needing additional time in order to file a complete and accurate report. Roche Harbor requests an extension of time until July 1, 2014.
- 2 WAC 480-110- 505(4) states that the Commission may grant an extension of time allowing a company to file its annual report after the May 1 due date if the Commission receives a request for extension before May 1.
- 3 Commission Staff reviewed the request and recommended denying Roche Harbor’s request for exemption because the Commission did not receive the request prior to May 1.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- 4 (1) The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate the rates, rules, regulations, practices, accounts, securities, transfers of property and affiliated interests of public service companies, including water companies. RCW 80.01.040, RCW 80.04, RCW 80.08, RCW 80.12, RCW 80.16 and RCW 80.28.

- 5 (2) Roche Harbor is a water company and a public service company subject to
Commission jurisdiction.
- 6 (3) Roche Harbor is subject to WAC 480-110-505, which requires water companies
to file an annual report by May 1 of each year.
- 7 (4) Under WAC 480-110-505(4), the Commission may grant an extension of time
allowing the Company to file its annual report after the May 1 due date if the
Commission receives a request for extension before May 1.
- 8 (5) This matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on
May 29, 2014.
- 9 (6) After review of the petition filed in Docket UW-140773 by Roche Harbor on
May 1, 2014, and giving due consideration, the Commission finds that the
exemption is not consistent with the purposes underlying the regulation and
applicable statutes and should be denied.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 10 (1) The request by Roche Harbor Water System for an exemption from WAC 480-
110-505 and for an extension until July 1, 2014, to file its 2013 annual report is
denied.
- 11 (2) Failure by Roche Harbor Water System to file its 2013 annual report may result in
the Commission invoking RCW 80.04.405, which allows the Commission to
assess penalties for violations of statute, rule, and Commission orders.
- 12 (3) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and Roche Harbor
Water System 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 May 29, 2014.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

STEVEN V. KING, Executive Director and Secretary