BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter Complaint for Penalties Against:

DOCKET UW-180886

SUNRISE ACRES WATER SERVICES, LLC

DECLARATION OF SUSIE PAUL

Susie Paul, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington, declares as follows:

- 1. I am employed by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (commission) as a Compliance Investigator in the Consumer Protection Section. As a Compliance Investigator, my responsibilities include conducting investigations regarding the business practices of regulated utility and transportation companies.
- 2. I am familiar with Sunrise Acres Water Services, LLC (Sunrise Acres), as I was the assigned investigator in this same Docket in which the commission held a special proceeding to determine whether Sunrise Acres is subject to regulation under chapter 80.28 RCW. The special proceeding was held on February 4, 2019.
- 3. On March 6, 2019, Order 02 was issued which classified Sunrise Acres as a water company. Mr. Harrison, owner of Sunrise Acres, was ordered to either file a tariff with the commission as set out in WAC 480-110-433, or file a sale agreement documenting that he is no longer the owner of Sunrise Acres by April 8, 2019.
- 4. On April 11, 2019, the Assistant Attorney General, on behalf of staff, filed a letter to Mark L. Johnson, Executive Director and Secretary of the commission, notifying him that Sunrise Acres has not complied with Order 02 because it failed to submit a tariff as set out in WAC 480-110-433, or file a sale agreement documenting that Mr. Tom Harrison no longer owns Sunrise Acres.
- 5. On April 23, 2019, I contacted Mr. Harrison by telephone and inquired about the status of a tariff or sale agreement filed at the Commission. Mr. Harrison stated that "they" were out of town and as a result he could not file the sale agreement. I explained to Mr. Harrison that he is the current owner of Sunrise Acres and he would need to file a tariff in the absence of a sale agreement. I also explained the severity of

- not complying with a Commission Order and that it may result in enforcement action, to include assessed penalties. Mr. Harrison said he would get to it next week.
- 6. Mr. Harrison has continuously failed to comply with staff requests and Commission Orders. Staff is recommending the commission take further action in the form of a penalty.

DATED this 10th day of May 2019, at Olympia, Washington.

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