

THUNDER RIDGE WATER CO., INC.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

October 27, 2017

Thunder Ridge Water Co., Inc. has filed for approval from the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission to increase its annual revenue by approximately 75%. This is the first increase ever in the base rate. The reason for the rate increase is to cover increased costs of administration due to meter reading and billing, to adjust for ever-increasing costs of operation (i.e. electricity, testing, maintenance/repair, etc.) and to make it a sustainable operation. It will also be more equitable since the bills will be based upon usage. The new tariff will also provide for meter readings on the 15th of the month, with bi-monthly billing. Below is a comparison of current and proposed monthly rates, proposed to take effect on Dec. 15, 2017.

	Monthly Base Rate		Block 1		Block 2		Block 3	
	Allowance	Rate	Usage	Rate per 1,000 gallons	Usage	Rate per 1,000 gallons	Usage (Min)	Rate per 1,000 gallons
Current Rates	10,000	\$30.00	10,001 to 15,000 gallons	\$2.80	15,001 to 22,500 gallons	\$3.20	Over 22,500 gallons	\$3.60
Proposed Rates	0	\$35.00	Up to 3,800 gallons	\$3.80	3,801 to 7,000 gallons	\$4.40	Over 7,000 gallons	\$5.00

The average customer, using 5,349 gallons of water per month, will see a bill increase from \$30 to \$54 per month.

The commission has the authority to set final rates that may vary from the company's request, depending on the outcome of its investigation. Commission staff will make a recommendation to the commissioners at an open meeting in Olympia, which is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on Nov. 30, 2017. You will have an opportunity to comment in person at this meeting. The UTC is committed to providing reasonable accommodation to participants with disabilities. If you need reasonable accommodation, please contact the commission at (360) 664-1132 or human_resources@utc.wa.gov. If you are unable to attend the open meeting, the commission has a bridge line which enables you to participate by telephone. Call 360- 664-1234 the day before the open meeting for instructions and to sign in. You can also comment by using the "Submit a Comment" feature at the commission's web site, at utc.wa.gov, or by using the contact information below.

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If you have questions about the proposed filing and how it will affect you, you can email to TRWCI at cole-gilday@stanwoodlaw.net.

Sincerely,



Robert R. Cole, President Thunder
Ridge Water Co., Inc.