

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Removal from  
Commission Regulation of

SILVER LAKE WATER COMPANY,  
INC.

DOCKET UW-190436

ORDER 01

ORDER REMOVING COMPANY  
FROM REGULATION AND  
CANCELING TARIFF

**BACKGROUND**

- 1 On May 28, 2019, Silver Lake Water Company, Inc. (Silver Lake Water or Company) filed a Petition for De-regulation (Petition). In 2017, the Company transferred its regulated water system and customers to a currently regulated company and no longer provides water service to any customers. The Company previously served about 216 customers on a water system near Oak Harbor in Island County.
- 2 On November 10, 2017, Silver Lake transferred its water system, in Docket UW-171117, to Northwest Water Services, LLC.
- 3 Silver Lake no longer has any water customers and has dissolved the water company known as Silver Lake Water Company, Inc.
- 4 Commission staff (Staff) has reviewed the Company's filing and finds that removing the Company from regulation is in the public interest. Accordingly, Staff recommends that the Commission grant Silver Lake Water's Petition.

**DISCUSSION**

- 5 RCW 80.04.010(30)(e) provides that a water company cannot be removed from regulation except with Commission approval. We agree with Staff's recommendation and find that removing Silver Lake Water from regulation is consistent with the public interest. Accordingly, we grant Silver Lake Water's Petition to be removed from regulation.

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

- 6 (1) The Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate the rates, rules, regulations, practices, accounts, and

securities, transfers of property and affiliated interests of public service companies, including water companies.

- 7 (2) Silver Lake Water is a water company and a public service company subject to Commission regulation.
- 8 (3) On May 28, 2019, Silver Lake Water filed with the Commission a Petition requesting to be removed from Commission regulation.
- 9 (4) This matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on June 27, 2019.
- 10 (5) After reviewing the information gathered in the investigation, and giving due consideration, the Commission finds it in the public interest to remove Silver Lake Water from regulation and to cancel its tariff.

### ORDER

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 11 (1) Silver Lake Water Company, Inc. is no longer subject to Commission jurisdiction.
- 12 (2) Silver Lake Water Company, Inc. is removed from Commission regulation, and its current tariff WN U-1 is canceled as of the effective date 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 Lacey, Washington, and effective June 27, 2019.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MARK L. JOHNSON, Executive Director and Secretary