

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Removal from
Commission Regulation of

P & D DEVELOPMENT, INC.

DOCKET UW-180574

ORDER 01

ORDER REMOVING COMPANY
FROM REGULATION AND
CANCELING TARIFF

BACKGROUND

- 1 On June 29, 2018, P & D Development, Inc. (P & D Development or Company) filed a Petition for De-regulation (Petition). Recently the Company reviewed its current operations and determined it is receiving less than \$557 average annual revenue per customer. The Company serves 8 customers near Rochester, located in Lewis County.
- 2 In its Petition, the Company states that it is billing an average of \$528 per customer, which is below the jurisdictional threshold of \$557 average revenue per customer.¹ The Company has not had any rate changes since becoming regulated. The Company charges customers \$43.75 monthly, which includes 700 cubic feet of water, and then \$2.75 per 100 cubic feet thereafter.
- 3 Staff has reviewed the Company's filing and finds that removing the Company from regulation is consistent with the public interest because the Company's per-customer revenue is below the jurisdictional threshold. Accordingly, Staff recommends the Commission grant P & D Development's Petition.

DISCUSSION

- 4 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 P & D Development from regulation is consistent with the public interest because P & D Development is now below the revenue threshold for regulation. Accordingly, we grant P & D Development's Petition to be removed from regulation.

¹ WAC 458-110-255(1)(b).

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- 5 (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, securities, transfers of property and affiliated interests of public service companies, including water companies.
- 6 (2) P & D Development is a water company and a public service company subject to Commission regulation.
- 7 (3) On June 29, 2018, P & D Development filed with the Commission a Petition requesting to be removed from Commission regulation.
- 8 (4) This matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on July 26, 2018.
- 9 (5) P & D Development's total number of customers and average annual revenues per customer are below the jurisdictional thresholds pursuant to WAC 480-110-255.
- 10 (6) After reviewing the information gathered in the investigation, and giving due consideration, the Commission finds it in the public interest to remove P & D Development from regulation and to cancel its tariff.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 11 (1) P & D Development, Inc. is no longer subject to Commission jurisdiction under RCW 80.04.110.
- 12 (2) P & D Development, 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 Olympia, Washington, and effective July 26, 2018.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MARK L. JOHNSON, Executive Director and Secretary