THUNDER RIDGE WATER CO. INC. IMPORTANT NOTICE

February 19, 2020

TO: All Customers and potential Customers WUTC Public Affairs Section

Thunder Ridge Water Co. Inc. has filed for approval from the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission to include a surcharge for the installation of the new emergency electric pump and generator system. If approved, the new surcharge will be effective on April 1, 2020.

The new emergency backup system was required by the State Department of Health. The total cost of the project was \$214,811.12 The surcharge is for 70% of that amount (being \$150,367.78) to service the construction loan plus state excise taxes. The remaining 30% was paid for by the Company.

There is no current surcharge. The proposed new monthly surcharge is \$17.84, to last until April 30, 2026 or sooner if paid off before. Customers have the option to pay a one-time payment sum of \$1,076.31 within 90 days of the effective date, thus saving interest costs. New hook-ups will pay the monthly surcharge upon first use of water. The current base rate of \$35.00 and the usage rates are not changed in this proposal.

If you have questions about the proposed filing and how it will affect please email Thunder Ridge Water Co. Inc. at colegilday@stanwoodlaw.net.

The commission has the authority to set final rates that may be lower or higher than the company's request, depending on the outcome of its investigation. You can submit comments by going to utc.wa.gov and clicking "Submit a Comment," or by one of the following options:

Washington Utilities and Transporation Commission P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Email: comments@utc.wa.gov

Telephone: 1-888-333-WUTC (9882)

Please include in your comments: "Thunder Ridge Water System."

Commission staff will make a recommendation to the commissioners at an open meeting in Olympia, which is scheduled for 9:30 on March 26, 2020. You will have an opportunity to comment in person at this meeting. If you are unable to attend the open meeting, you can participate by telephone by calling 360-664-1234 the day before the open meeting for instructions and to sign in. You should also call this number if you plan to attend the open meeting in person, to make sure this case hasn't been rescheduled.

A memo containing the staff recommendation will be available on the commission website about three days prior to the open meeting. To view the memo, go to utc.wa.gov. Click on the link near the bottom that says "Documents." Under "Open Meetings," click on "Agendas, meeting minutes, orders." When the open meeting date (see above) appears, click on the memo for this filing. This will take you to a page with the memo and any associated attachments.

The commission 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.

Yours,

Thunder Ridge Water Co. Inc.

President