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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of Adopting) DOCKET NO. UW-921211
WAC 480-110-023 and Amending WAC 480-110-176 relating to Jurisdictional Threshold and Preservation of Records)) GENERAL ORDER NO. R-388) ORDER AMENDING AND) ADOPTING RULES) PERMANENTLY
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The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission takes this action under Notice WSR Register #939-06-056, filed with the Code Reviser on February 26, 1993. The Commission brings this proceeding pursuant to RCW 80.01.040.

This proceeding complies with the Open Public Meetings Act (chapter 42.30 RCW), the Administrative Procedure Act (chapter 34.05 RCW) the State Register Act (chapter 34.08 RCW), the State Environmental Policy Act of 1971 (chapter 34.21C RCW), and the Regulatory Fairness Act (chapter 19.85 RCW).

The Commission scheduled this matter for oral comment and adoption under Notice WSR register 93-06-056, for 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 21, 1993, in the Commission's Hearing Room, Second Floor, Chandler Plaza Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington. The Notice provided interested persons the opportunity to submit written comments to the Commission until April 2, 1993.

Written comments were presented by Rock E. Caley, by the Washington State Department of Health, and by the Commission Staff.

The rule proposals were considered for adoption at the Commission's regularly scheduled open public meeting on April 21, 1993, before Chairman Sharon L. Nelson, Commissioner Richard D. Casad and Commissioner A. J. Pardini. At that time and place, the proposal was continued for further consideration and for adoption at 9:00 a.m. at the May 5, 1993, open public meeting. It was heard at the continued time and place. Oral comments were made by Teresa Osinski of the Commission Staff. After considering the written and oral comments, the Commission adopted the rules as noticed.

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In reviewing the entire record, the Commission determines that WAC 480-110-023 should be adopted and WAC 480-110-176 should be amended to read as set forth in Appendix A, as rules of the Washington Utilities and Transportation commission, to take effect pursuant to RCW 34.05.080(2).

WAC 480-110-023 is adopted to increase the threshold for water company regulation from \$300 average annual revenue per customer to \$379, consistent with authorization in RCW 80.04.010, to reflect the effects of inflation since the statute was adopted.

WAC 480-110-176 is amended, to update the version of a regulatory publication referenced in the rule; to update the name of the publishing organization; and to state where copies of the referenced material may be viewed and obtained.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS That WAC 480-110-023 is adopted and WAC 480-110-176 is amended to read as set forth in Appendix A, as rules of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, to take effect pursuant to RCW 34.05.080(2).

THE COMMISSION FURTHER ORDERS That this order and the attached rule, after being recorded in the register of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, shall be forwarded to the Code Reviser for filing pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW and chapter 1-21 WAC.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, this & Hday of May 1993.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

SHARON L. NELSON, Chairman

RICHARD D. CASAD, Commissioner

A. J. PARDINI, Commissioner

NEW SECTION

WAC 480-110-023 Average customer revenue jurisdictional threshold. (1) Pursuant to RCW 80.04.010, the commission may increase annually the jurisdictional revenue threshold pertaining to water companies by reflecting the rate of inflation as determined by the implicit price deflator of the United States Department of Commerce.

(2) Calculated as specified in subsection (1) of this section, the average customer revenue jurisdictional threshold for water companies beginning on the effective date of this section is three hundred seventy-nine dollars.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending Order R-64, filed 2/13/74)

WAC 480-110-176 Filing of records and reports and the preservation of records. (1) All records and reports required by these rules shall be retained on file in the office of the utility at which such records and reports were made, or in such other place as may be especially approved by the commission, for such time as is specifically provided in paragraph (2) of this section, or where no time is specified, for a period of three years.

(2) The Regulations to Govern the Preservation of Records of Electric, Gas and Water Utilities, Revised ((1963)) 1984 published by the National Association of ((Railroad and Utilities)) Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) is hereby prescribed as the requirement for the preservation of records of water companies in the state of Washington. The document is available for public inspection at the commission branch of the Washington state library, housed with the commission's headquarters office. The commission secretary will provide a copy of the document on request, subject to any pertinent charge.

(3) No records shall be destroyed prior to the expiration of ((such)) the time ((or period)) specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this section, except by prior written permission of the commission.