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APPLICATION OF QV UTILITY
FOR A PRICE INDEX
RATE ADJUSTMENT

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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
OF TEXAS

NOTICE OF APPROVAL

This Notice addresses the application of QV Utility for a price index rate adjustment. Commission Staff recommends approval of the application. The application is approved.

The Commission adopts the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

I. Findings of Fact

Procedural History

1. On March 16, 2016, QV filed an application for a Class C rate adjustment pursuant to Tex. Water Code § 13.1872 (TWC) and 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 24.36 (TAC).
2. On April 15, 2016, Commission Staff recommended that the application be deemed administratively complete, that QV be granted a waiver of the Commission's timing requirements¹ for the application, and that the application be approved. Commission Staff provided compliance tariff sheets and a copy of the recommended amended notice of the application, reflecting a June 1, 2016 effective date.
3. On April 20, 2016, Order No. 2 was issued, deeming the application administratively complete and granting the requested waiver.
4. The compliance tariff sheets discussed in Finding of Fact No. 2 are attached to this Notice.

Rate Adjustment Requested

5. QV requested an adjustment to its water tariff base rate (monthly meter charge) and its monthly gallonage rate based on the Commission's current price index of 1.57%.
6. The rate adjustment will affect ratepayers in the Quiet Village II subdivision.

¹ Note: QV holds water certificate of convenience and necessity number 12730. Therefore, pursuant to 16 TAC § 24.36(f), in the absence of a good cause waiver, the utility is required to file its price index rate adjustment applications no more frequently than once each calendar year and only in April.

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7. QV proposed an April 1, 2016 effective date for the rate adjustment.
8. Commission Staff recommended a June 1, 2016 effective date for QV's requested rate adjustment to coincide with the appropriate billing cycle and that QV be required to provide notice using the amended notice provided by Commission Staff no later than May 2, 2016, to satisfy the 30-day noticing requirement of 16 TAC § 24.36(e).

II. Conclusions of Law

1. The Commission has jurisdiction over this proceeding pursuant to TWC §§ 13.041 and 13.1872.
2. QV is a utility as that term is defined in TWC § 13.002(23) and is a Class C utility under TWC § 13.002(4-c), which defines a Class C utility as one that provides retail water or sewer utility service through fewer than 500 taps or connections.
3. Pursuant to TWC § 13.1872(e), a Class C utility is allowed to receive, without a hearing, an annual rate adjustment based on changes in the "price index," as that term is defined in TWC § 13.1872(b).
4. The Commission-approved price index for calendar year 2016 is 1.57%.²
5. The application was processed in accordance with the requirements of the TWC and the Commission's rules.
6. QV is entitled to approval of the price index rate adjustment requested in the application, having demonstrated that the requirements of TWC § 13.1872 and 16 TAC § 24.36 have been satisfied.
7. The requirements for informal disposition pursuant to 16 TAC § 22.35 have been met in this proceeding.

III. Ordering Paragraphs


In accordance with these findings of fact and conclusions of law, the Commission issues the following Order:

² *Setting Price Index for Calendar Year 2016*, Order at 1 (Nov. 20, 2015).

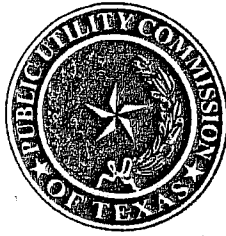
1. QV's application is approved.
2. QV's new rates may go into effect on June 1, 2016.
3. QV shall issue the amended notice of this approved rate change recommended by Commission Staff at least 30 days before the effective date of the rate change.
4. All other motions, requests for entry of specific findings of fact and conclusions of law, and any other requests for general or specific relief, if not expressly granted herein, are denied.

SIGNED AT AUSTIN, TEXAS the 29th day of April 2016.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS



SUSAN E. GOODSON
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE



WATER UTILITY TARIFF

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Donald E. Wilson dba QV Utility
(Utility Name)

215 S. Valley Rd., No. 104
(Business Address)

Donna, Texas 78537
(City, State, Zip Code)

(956) 532-4093
(Area Code/Telephone)

This tariff is effective for utility operations under the following Certificate of Convenience and Necessity:

12730

This tariff is effective in the following counties:
Hidalgo

This tariff is effective in the following cities or unincorporated towns (if any):
None

This tariff is effective in the following subdivisions or public water systems:
Quiet Village II Subdivision, Quiet Village II (PWS #1080221)

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The above utility lists the following sections of its tariff (if additional pages are needed for a section, all pages should be numbered consecutively):

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Donald E. Wilson dba QV Utility
(Utility Name)

SECTION 1.0 -- RATE SCHEDULE

Section 1.01 - Rates
For Water and Sewer

<u>Meter Size:</u>	<u>Monthly Minimum Charge</u> (Includes 0 gallons)	<u>Gallonage Charge</u>
5/8" or 3/4"	\$12.19	\$3.71 per 1,000 gallons

FORM OF PAYMENT: The utility will accept the following forms of payment:
 Cash Check Money Order Credit Card Other (specify) _____
 THE UTILITY MAY REQUIRE EXACT CHANGE FOR PAYMENTS AND MAY REFUSE TO ACCEPT
 PAYMENTS MADE USING MORE THAN \$1.00 IN SMALL COINS. A WRITTEN RECEIPT WILL BE GIVEN
 FOR CASH PAYMENTS.

REGULATORY ASSESSMENT.....1.0%
 PUC RULES REQUIRE THE UTILITY TO COLLECT A FEE OF ONE PERCENT OF THE RETAIL MONTHLY
 BILL AND TO REMIT THE FEE TO THE TCEQ.

Section 1.02 - Miscellaneous Fee

TAP FEE.....\$275.00
 TAP FEE COVERS THE UTILITY'S COSTS FOR MATERIALS AND LABOR TO INSTALL A STANDARD
 RESIDENTIAL 5/8" or 3/4" METER. AN ADDITIONAL FEE TO COVER UNIQUE COSTS IS PERMITTED
 IF LISTED ON THIS TARIFF.

TAP FEE (Unique Costs)Actual Cost
 FOR EXAMPLE, A ROAD BORE FOR CUSTOMERS OUTSIDE OF SUBDIVISIONS OR RESIDENTIAL
 AREAS.

TAP FEE (Large Meter)Actual Cost
 TAP FEE IS THE UTILITY'S ACTUAL COST FOR MATERIALS AND LABOR FOR METER SIZE INSTALLED.

METER RELOCATION FEEActual Relocation Cost, Not to Exceed Tap Fee
 THIS FEE MAY BE CHARGED IF A CUSTOMER REQUESTS THAT AN EXISTING METER BE
 RELOCATED

METER TEST FEE.....\$25.00
 THIS FEE WHICH SHOULD REFLECT THE UTILITY'S COST MAY BE CHARGED IF A CUSTOMER
 REQUESTS A SECOND METER TEST WITHIN A TWO-YEAR PERIOD AND THE TEST INDICATES THAT
 THE METER IS RECORDING ACCURATELY. THE FEE MAY NOT EXCEED \$25.

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SECTION 1.0 -- RATE SCHEDULE (Continued)

RECONNECTION FEE

THE RECONNECT FEE MUST BE PAID BEFORE SERVICE CAN BE RESTORED TO A CUSTOMER WHO HAS BEEN DISCONNECTED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS (OR OTHER REASONS LISTED UNDER SECTION 2.0 OF THIS TARIFF):

- a) Non payment of bill (Maximum \$25.00)..... \$25.00
- b) Customer's request that service be disconnected..... \$30.00

TRANSFER FEE.....

THE TRANSFER FEE WILL BE CHARGED FOR CHANGING AN ACCOUNT NAME AT THE SAME SERVICE LOCATION WHEN THE SERVICE IS NOT DISCONNECTED..... \$30.00

LATE CHARGE (EITHER \$5.00 OR 10% OF THE BILL).....

\$5.00
PUC RULES ALLOW A ONE-TIME PENALTY TO BE CHARGED ON DELINQUENT BILLS. A LATE CHARGE MAY NOT BE APPLIED TO ANY BALANCE TO WHICH THE PENALTY WAS APPLIED IN A PREVIOUS BILLING.

RETURNED CHECK CHARGE.....

RETURNED CHECK CHARGES MUST BE BASED ON THE UTILITY'S DOCUMENTABLE COST. \$25.00

CUSTOMER DEPOSIT RESIDENTIAL (Maximum \$50).....

\$50.00

COMMERCIAL & NON-RESIDENTIAL DEPOSIT.....

1/6TH OF ESTIMATED ANNUAL BILL

GOVERNMENTAL TESTING, INSPECTION AND COSTS SURCHARGE:

WHEN AUTHORIZED IN WRITING BY PUC AND AFTER NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS, THE UTILITY MAY INCREASE RATES TO RECOVER INCREASED COSTS FOR INSPECTION FEES AND WATER TESTING. [§ 24.21(K)(2)]

LINE EXTENSION AND CONSTRUCTION CHARGES:

REFER TO SECTION 3.0--EXTENSION POLICY FOR TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND CHARGES WHEN NEW CONSTRUCTION IS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE SERVICE.