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Austin, Texas 78711-3326

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Re: Docket No. 46438 - Application of J&S Water Company, LLC (J&S) for a Rate/Tariff Change

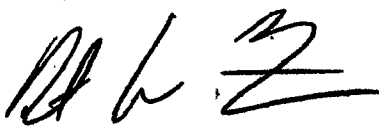
Susan E. Goodson, Administrative Law Judge:

In regards to Order No. 2 concerning the Commission's Staff's recommendation was to the completeness of the above mention application, please find the Application's following response.

1. Attached is a revised customer notice that corrects the Commission Staff's perceived deficiencies.
2. The North Harris County Regional Water Authority (NHCRWA) groundwater reduction plan (GRP) Fee increase will be removed from this Application. This pass through fee increase will be submitted for approval in a separate pass thru rate increase application.

Should you have any further questions concerning this application, please do not hesitate to contact me at (512) 264-9124.

Sincerely,



Bret W. Fenner, P.E.  
B & D Environmental, Inc.

Enclosures

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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE  
PURSUANT TO TEX. WATER CODE § 13.1871**

J & S Water Company, LLC 12085 & 20658

Company Name

CCN Number(s)

has filed a rate change application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission or PUC). The application may be reviewed online at [interchange.puc.texas.gov](http://interchange.puc.texas.gov). You may also inspect a copy of the rate change application at your utility's office at the address below or at the Commission's office (1701 N. Congress Ave, Austin, TX 78701). The proposed rates will apply to service received after the effective date provided below, unless modified or suspended by the Commission. If the Commission receives a sufficient number of protests, separately or in a combined protest letter, from at least <sup>64</sup> [number of] ratepayers (10 percent of the utility's customers over whose rates the Commission has original jurisdiction) or from any affected municipality before the 91st day after the proposed effective date, the matter will be set for hearing. See Protest Form on the next page for instructions on how to protest.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROPOSED INCREASE:** 3/1/2017

(must be at least 35 days after notice is provided to customers and 35 days after application is filed)  
(Proposed rates requested by the utility are not final. The Commission may modify the rates and order a refund or credit against future bills all sums collected during the pendency of the rate proceeding in excess of the rate finally ordered plus interest.)

**Reason(s) for proposed Rate Change:**

Allow the utility to generate enough revenue to cover those expenses that are reasonable and necessary to provide service to the ratepayers and allow the utility a reasonable opportunity to earn a reasonable return on its invested capital used and useful.

**BILLING COMPARISON**

Water

Existing	5,000 gallons:	\$ <u>30.94</u> /mo	Proposed	5,000 gallons:	\$ <u>31.38</u> /mo
Existing	10,000 gallons:	\$ <u>38.44</u> /mo	Proposed	10,000 gallons:	\$ <u>38.88</u> /mo
Existing	30,000 gallons:	\$ <u>68.44</u> /mo	Proposed	30,000 gallons:	\$ <u>68.88</u> /mo

Sewer

Existing	5,000 gallons:	\$ <u>39.58</u> /mo	Proposed	5,000 gallons:	\$ <u>50.07</u> /mo
Existing	10,000 gallons:	\$ <u>49.58</u> /mo	Proposed	10,000 gallons:	\$ <u>60.07</u> /mo

Five Oaks (PWS #1011832 & WQ0012382001), Maple Leaf Gardens (PWS #1011493 & WQ0012342001), Oakland Village (PWS #1010049) & Woodland Acres (PWS #030027 & WQ001172001)

**Subdivision(s) or System(s) Affected by Rate Change**

8010 Thompson Road Highlands Texas 77562-3122  
Company Address City State Zip

(281) 264-9124  
Company Phone Number

85,451.00 1/24/2017  
Annual Revenue Increase Date Notice Delivered

11/1/2011 Various days through the month  
Date of Last Rate Change Date Meters Typically Read

\* Prior to providing notice, the utility shall file a request for the assignment of a docket number for the application.

**P.U.C. DOCKET NO. 46438**

**RATEPAYER PROTEST**

If you wish to PROTEST the proposed rate change, you must submit this form and 10 copies to:

**Filing Clerk  
Public Utility Commission of Texas  
1701 North Congress Avenue  
P.O. Box 13326  
Austin, Texas 78711-3326**

Unless protests are received from at least 10% of ratepayers or from any affected municipality, or the Commission Staff requests a hearing, no hearing will be held and the rates will be effective as proposed.

**CUSTOMER INFORMATION (to be completed by customers submitting protests)**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address, City, State: \_\_\_\_\_

Location where service is received: \_\_\_\_\_

(if different from the mailing address)

Please fill out the following:

**I wish to PROTEST the following proposed rate action/s:**

Water Rate Change  Sewer Rate Change  Both Water and Sewer Rate Change

Other (please specify below)

Signature of Protester: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al  
1-888-782-8477**

**Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones may contact the PUC's Customer Assistance  
Hotline at  
512-936-7136**

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE - WATER

CURRENT RATES			PROPOSED RATES		
Monthly base rate including _____ 0 gallons			Monthly base rate including _____ 0 gallons		
Meter Size: <b>RESIDENTIAL</b>			Meter Size: <b>RESIDENTIAL</b>		
5/8" or 3/4"	\$	23.44	5/8" or 3/4"	\$	23.88
1"	\$	58.60	1"	\$	59.70
1 1/2"	\$	117.20	1 1/2"	\$	119.40
2"	\$	187.52	2"	\$	191.04
3"	\$	351.60	3"	\$	358.20
Other: 4"	\$	586.00	Other: 4"	\$	597.00
6"	\$	1,172.00	6"	\$	1,194.00
GALLONAGE CHARGE:			GALLONAGE CHARGE:		
TIER	VOLUME	CHARGE per 1000 gals.	TIER	VOLUME	CHARGE per 1000 gals.
Tier 1	All Billed Gallons	\$ 1.50 /1000 gals.	Tier 1	All Billed Gallons	\$ 1.50 /1000 gals.
\$ 2.06 per 1,000 gallons for the North Harris County Regional Water Authority's ground water pampage fee for the Five Oaks, Maple Leaf Gardens and Oakland Village Subdivisions			\$ 2.06 per 1,000 gallons for the North Harris County Regional Water Authority's ground water pampage fee for the Five Oaks, Maple Leaf Gardens and Oakland Village subdivisions		
MISCELLANEOUS FEES			MISCELLANEOUS FEES		
Tap Fee	\$	600.00	Tap Fee	\$	600.00
Reconnect fee: Non-payment	\$	25.00	Reconnect fee: Non-payment (Maximum - \$25.00)	\$	25.00
Customer's Request	\$	50.00	Customer's Request	\$	50.00
Transfer Fee	\$	50.00	Transfer Fee	\$	50.00
Late Charge	\$	5.00	Late charge: (Indicate either \$5.00 or 10%)	\$	5.00
Returned Check Charge	\$	30.00	Returned Check Charge	\$	30.00
Deposit	\$	50.00	Deposit (Maximum \$50.00)	\$	50.00
Meter test fee	\$	25.00	Meter test fee (Maximum - \$25.00)	\$	25.00

Regulatory Assessment of 1% is added to base rate and gallonage charges. Additional fees and meter sizes may be shown on a separate page.

**If applicable, list any bill payment assistance programs to low income Ratepayers.**

None

Phone Payment Fee: A fee of five percent (5%) of the amount paid will be charged for all phone payments

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE –SEWER

CURRENT RATES	PROPOSED RATES
Monthly base rate including _____ 0 gallons Meter Size: <b>RESIDENTIAL</b>	Monthly base rate including _____ 0 gallons Meter Size: <b>RESIDENTIAL</b>
5/8" or 3/4"      \$                    29.58	5/8" or 3/4"      \$                    40.07
1"                    \$                    73.95	1"                    \$                    100.18
1 1/2"              \$                    147.90	1 1/2"              \$                    200.35
2"                    \$                    236.64	2"                    \$                    320.56
3"                    \$                    443.70	3"                    \$                    601.05
Other: 4"            \$                    739.50	Other: 4"            \$                    1,001.75
6"                    \$                    1,479.00	6"                    \$                    2,003.50
<b>GALLONAGE OR FIXED CHARGE:</b>	<b>GALLONAGE OR FIXED CHARGE:</b>
\$      2.00	\$      2.00
<input type="checkbox"/> per month; OR	<input type="checkbox"/> per month; OR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for each additional 1,000 gallons over the minimum. Gallonage charges are determined based on average consumption for winter period which includes the following months: December, January & February	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for each additional 1,000 gallons over the minimum. Gallonage charges are determined based on average consumption for winter period which includes the following months: December, January & February
<b>MISCELLANEOUS FEES</b>	<b>MISCELLANEOUS FEES</b>
Tap Fee            \$                    Actual Cost	Tap Fee            \$                    Actual Cost
Reconnect fee: Non-payment      \$                    25.00	Reconnect fee: Non-payment (Maximum - \$25.00)    \$                    25.00
Customer's Request    \$                    50.00	Customer's Request    \$                    50.00
Transfer Fee        \$                    50.00	Transfer Fee        \$                    50.00
Late Charge        \$                    5.00	Late charge: (Indicate either \$5.00 or 10%)    \$                    5.00
Returned Check Charge \$                    30.00	Returned Check Charge \$                    30.00
Deposit             \$                    50.00	Deposit (Maximum \$50.00)    \$                    50.00
Meter test fee      \$                    N/A	Meter test fee        \$                    N/A (Maximum - \$25.00)

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## **PASS THROUGH ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE**

The utility may pass on only to those customers served by a system subject to the jurisdiction of any regional water authority and/or any groundwater reduction plan, any increase or decrease in its underground water district pumpage fee or purchased water fee. To implement or modify the Pass Through Adjustment Clause, the utility must comply with all notice requirements of 30 TAC 24.21 (h). Example of a Pass Through Provision

Adjusted Gallonage Rate (AG) =  $G + [B/(1 - L)]$ , Where:

AG = adjusted gallonage charge, rounded to nearest one cent;

G = approved gallonage charge, per 1,000 gallons;

B = change in fee (per 1,000 gallons);

L = water or sewer line loss for preceding 12 months, not to exceed 0.15 (15%)