

STATE OF ILLINOIS
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

AQUA ILLINOIS, INC. :
 : Docket No. 16-____
Petition for the Initiation of the Annual :
Reconciliation of the Purchased Water :
Surcharge :

VERIFIED PETITION

Aqua Illinois, Inc. (“Aqua Illinois” or the “Company”) hereby requests, pursuant to Section 655.50 of the Illinois Administrative Code, 83 Ill. Admin. Code §655.50, and by Section 9-220.2 of the Illinois Public Utilities Act (the “Act”), 220 ILCS 5/9-220.2, that the annual reconciliation hearing required by Section 655.50 be initiated with respect to a Purchased Water Surcharge Rider (the “Rider”) in effect during the period June 2015 through December 2015 for Aqua Illinois’ North Maine Water Rate Zone (“Rate Zone”). Aqua Illinois further requests, based on the record created during the reconciliation proceeding, that the Illinois Commerce Commission (“Commission”) enter an Order approving the annual reconciliation and finding that, for 2016, no adjustment under the Commission-ordered “Ov” component of the Rider is required for the Rate Zone. In support of its request, Aqua Illinois states as follows:

1. Aqua Illinois provides water and sewer public utility service to the public in certain areas of Kankakee, Vermilion, Will, Boone, Knox, Lake, Cook, DeKalb, Kane, Ogle, Winnebago, McHenry and Champaign Counties in the State of Illinois. Aqua Illinois is a public utility within the meaning of the Act. (200 ILCS 5/3-105). A list of the municipalities that Aqua Illinois currently serves within 1.5 miles of the Rate Zone is attached hereto as Attachment A.

2. On June 1, 2015, pursuant to the terms of the Rider and Part 655 of the Illinois Administrative Code (83 Ill. Adm. Code Part 655), Aqua Illinois placed into effect for the Rate

Zone the surcharge specified in the Information Sheet filed in accordance with the terms of the Rider. The amount of the surcharge was \$0.8131 and became effective on June 1, 2015.

3. Aqua Illinois attaches hereto, as Aqua Exhibit (“Ex.”) 1.0, the Direct Testimony of Paul J. Hanley. In compliance with Section 655.50 of the Illinois Administrative Code, Mr. Hanley provides with his testimony schedules showing: a) the costs recoverable for purchased water from the Village of Niles; b) the revenues arising from the purchased water surcharge from the North Maine water customers; and c) the reconciliation components determined by the utility to be recovered or refunded during the period September 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016, following the filing of the reconciliation. These schedules are identified as Exhibits 1.1 through 1.7 to Mr. Hanley’s testimony.

4. Aqua Ex. 1.1 reflects the utility-determined reconciliation component for the variable charge “Rv” component of the Rider for the Rate Zone. The amount of the “Rv” component has been calculated at (-\$0.1185), resulting in an updated purchased water surcharge of (\$0.6946). This updated purchased water surcharge becomes effective on September 1, 2016. For the North Maine water customers, this reflects an over-recovery to be refunded to the customers of this particular rate zone.

5. As required by Part 655, Aqua Exhibits 1.2 through 1.7 contain the supporting information for the Company’s purchased water and water sold. This data supports the calculation of the utility-determined variable reconciliation “Rv” component necessary to adjust actual revenue collected under the Rider for the applicable Rate Zone to an amount equivalent to the actual level of purchased water costs for the reconciliation period June 2015 through December 2015. The timing of this annual reconciliation is further discussed in the direct testimony of Mr. Hanley.

6. At the time of this filing, Aqua Illinois will provide to the Commission's Manager of the Water Department and Manager of Accounting the information required by Section 655.50(f). 83 Ill. Admin. Code §655.50(f).

7. Concurrent with this Petition, Aqua Illinois is filing an Information Sheet for the Rider that reflects the adjustment to the Company's purchased water surcharge, as required by Section 655.60. 83 Ill. Admin. Code §655.60. The Informational Sheet is attached to the direct testimony of Mr. Hanley as Aqua Ex. 1.8, and is further discussed therein. The calculations reflected in the Informational Sheet reflect the "Rv" component identified above for this Rate Zone. The updated purchased water surcharge in the amount of \$0.6946 will take effect on September 1, 2016.

8. Pursuant to Section 655.50(c), the Commission should require that an adjustment be made under the "Ov" component of the Rider only if the needed adjustment(s) has not already been made under the "Rv" component. 83 Ill. Admin. Code §655.50(c).

9. The adjustment needed for the Rate Zone to equal the actual amount of purchased water cost for the reconciliation year is reflected in the "Rv" component used in calculating the updated purchased water surcharge for the Rider to be effective September 1, 2016. Accordingly, the Commission should determine in its Order that no adjustment is required under the "Ov" component of the Rider.

WHEREFORE, Aqua Illinois, Inc. requests that the Commission initiate reconciliation hearings and that, in its Order, the Commission determine that no adjustment is required under the "Ov" component.

Dated: August 1, 2016

Respectfully submitted,

Aqua Illinois, Inc.

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VERIFICATION

I, Craig L. Blanchette, certify that: (i) I am President of Aqua Illinois, Inc.; (ii) I have read the attached Petition; (iii) I am familiar with the facts stated therein; and (iv) the facts stated therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



Craig L. Blanchette

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before
me this 1st day of August 2016.



Notary Public

