

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
TIDEWATER ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES,)
INC., FOR APPROVAL OF RATES TO GOVERN)
THE PROVISION OF WASTEWATER SERVICES) PSC DOCKET NO. 05-392WW
TO THE HARTS LANDING SUBDIVISION,)
SUSSEX COUNTY, DELAWARE)
(FILED NOVEMBER 7, 2005))

ORDER NO. 7017

This 5th day of September, 2006, the Commission determines and Orders the following:

1. In PSC Order No. 6955 (June 20, 2006), the Commission approved, on a temporary basis, a monthly service charge and a Tariff to govern the wastewater utility services that Tidewater Environmental Services, Inc. ("TESI") provides in its "Harts Landing Subdivision" service territory in Sussex County. No front-end impact fee has been proposed for this subdivision. The Commission directed TESI to provide notices of its proposed service charge for this territory, both by newspaper publication and direct delivery. In such notice, the Commission said that if objections to the charge or Tariff were not forthcoming, the charge and Tariff might be finally approved without further protracted proceedings. The Commission chose to take this tact given that Staff had already analyzed the rates for this start-up situation and had recommended that they be found reasonable.

2. A public notice was published and direct notices were mailed to present lot owners. No comments were received. The Public Advocate has not voiced objection to the rates or Tariff. Staff still

supports approval of the monthly charge and the contemplated Tariff. Consequently, the Commission now finally approves TESI's monthly service charge and its Tariff. They shall govern its wastewater services in the "Harts Landing" subdivision.

Now, therefore, **IT IS ORDERED:**

1. That Tidewater Environmental Services, Inc., is hereby finally authorized to institute a monthly charge of \$82.91 (\$994.92 per year) for its public utility wastewater services in the service territory granted by PSC Order No. 6818 (Jan. 24, 2006). The Commission further finally approves the Tariff filed by Tidewater Environmental Services, Inc., on June 15, 2006. The approvals here are effective on the date of this Order.

2. That the Commission reserves the jurisdiction and authority to enter such further Orders in this matter as may be deemed necessary or proper.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

/s/ Arnetta McRae
Chair

/s/ Joann T. Conaway
Commissioner

/s/ Jaymes B. Lester
Commissioner

/s/ Dallas Winslow
Commissioner

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/s/ Jeffrey J. Clark
Commissioner

ATTEST:

/s/ Norma J. Sherwood
Acting Secretary