

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF )  
ARTESIAN WATER COMPANY, INC., CONCERNING )  
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM ) PSC DOCKET NO. 05-418  
IMPROVEMENT CHARGE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF )  
26 DEL. C. § 314 TO BE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, )  
2006 (FILED NOVEMBER 30, 2005) )

**ORDER NO. 7167**

This 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007, the Commission determines and Orders the following:

1. Staff has filed a memorandum outlining its audit of the Distribution System Improvement Charge ("DSIC") imposed, and collected, by Artesian Water Company, Inc. ("Artesian") during the calendar year 2006.<sup>1</sup> See 26 Del. C. § 314(b)(8) (2006 Supp.). Staff reports that only the costs for "eligible improvements" were included in the DSIC rate and that the DSIC rate was appropriately calculated. Based on Staff's memorandum, this matter can now be closed.

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

1. That, for the reasons set forth in the body of this Order, this docket is now closed.

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<sup>1</sup>During 2006, Artesian's DSIC was in effect only until July 10, 2006. At that time, Artesian filed a general rate case that included the eligible improvements under this DSIC levy, thereby ending the DSIC surcharge. See 26 Del. C. § 314(b)(9) (2006 Supp.).

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

/s/ Jeffrey J. Clark  
Commissioner

ATTEST:

/s/ Karen J. Nickerson  
Secretary