IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF TIDEWATER UTILITIES, INC. FOR A GENERAL RATE INCREASE IN WATER BASE RATES AND TARIFF REVISIONS (FILED NOVEMBER 25, 2013) 

PSC DOCKET NO. 13-466

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC EVIDENTIARY HEARING and COMMISSION MEETING

TO: ALL CUSTOMERS OF TIDEWATER UTILITIES, INC.

A Hearing Examiner of the Delaware Public Service Commission ("the Commission") will conduct an evidentiary hearing concerning the above-captioned case (as further explained below) at the following time and location:

DATE       TIME       LOCATION

Thursday, July 31, 2014  10:00 a.m.  Public Service Commission 1st Floor Hearing Room 861 Silver Lake Blvd. Dover, Delaware 19904

The Commission will hear this matter for its final decision on:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2014  1:00 p.m.  Public Service Commission 1st Floor Hearing Room 861 Silver Lake Blvd. Dover, Delaware 19904

On November 25, 2013, Tidewater Utilities, Inc. ("Tidewater" or the "Company") filed with the Commission an application seeking approval of: (a) a general increase in its water base rates; and (b) miscellaneous tariff revisions. In its application, the Company
requested an increase in annual operating revenues of $3,903,338 or 14.42% over present rates. On July 3, 2014, Tidewater filed supplemental schedules revised its request to $2,510,223 in additional annual operating revenues or 9.28%.

Evidentiary Hearings are conducted to formally introduce evidence into the record and to make available for cross-examination the parties’ witness testimony, including testimony that may be offered with respect to any settlement agreement that may be reached prior to the hearings. Members of the public are invited to attend the evidentiary hearings as observers, but only the parties are permitted to present witnesses or cross-examine witnesses. In accordance with 26 Del. C. § 305, the Commission will make its decision concerning this matter on the basis of the evidence of record taken at the public evidentiary hearing and will consider the public comments received at the public comment hearing, which has already taken place on April 15, 17 and April 22, 2014 in all 3 counties. Anyone who plans to attend the evidentiary hearing is cautioned to consult the Commission’s website on the day of the hearing for cancellation of or changes in the time, place or date of the event. You may review the documents related to this matter during normal business hours in the Commission’s Dover office located at 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Cannon Building, Suite 100, Dover, Delaware 19904 or on the Commission’s website at http://depsc.delaware.gov. You may also review copies of documents at the office of the Division of the Public Advocate located at the Carvel State Office Building, 4th Floor, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801. Please call (302) 577-5077 to arrange for a time to review the documents at that location.
If you wish to request copies of documents in this matter, please submit a Freedom of Information Act Request Form. This form may be found at http://smu.portal.delaware.gov/cgi-bin/mail.php?foia-request&sub=DOS. There is also a link to the Freedom of Information Act Request Form on the Commission’s website, http://depsec.delaware.gov/default.shtml. The Commission will respond to your request in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, 29 Del. C. ch. 100.

If you have a disability and wish to participate, or to review the materials, in these proceedings, please contact the Commission to discuss any auxiliary aids or services you might need to help you. You may contact the Commission in person, by writing, by telephone (including text telephone), by Internet e-mail, or other means.

If you have questions about this matter, you may call the Commission at 1-800-282-8574 (toll-free in Delaware) or (302) 736-7500 (voice and text telephone). You may also send questions by Internet e-mail addressed to connie.mcdowell@state.de.us.