

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	
ARTESIAN WATER COMPANY, INC. FOR A)	
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE)	PSC DOCKET NO. 10-CPCN-10
AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE WATER)	("SOUTHERN NEW CASTLE
SERVICES PURSUANT TO 26 DEL. C. §203C)	COUNTY 0210 PART 2")
(FILED MARCH 31, 2010, AND AMENDED)	
MAY 4, 2011))	

ORDER NO. 7976

AND NOW, this 7th day of June, 2011:

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2010, Artesian Water Company, Inc. ("Artesian" or "Applicant") filed an application ("Application") with the Public Service Commission (the "Commission") seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") to expand its facilities and operations in order to provide water services to fifty-three parcels of land in Southern New Castle County, Delaware ("Proposed Service Area"). The basis for the Application is Artesian's possession of petitions requesting water services signed by all of the owners of the parcels of land comprising the Proposed Service Area in accordance with 26 Del. C. §203C(e)(1)b.2. With its Application, Artesian filed evidence that it had sent by certified mail to the landowners in the Proposed Service Area notice of its application and the options available to the affected landowners. In addition, on Staff's direction, Artesian published notice of its Application in two newspapers of general circulation. No comments regarding the Applicant or this Application have been received;

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2011, Artesian amended its Application to remove one parcel of land from the Proposed Service Area (New Castle County Tax Map Parcel 14-012.00-015). There are now fifty-two parcels of land in the Proposed Service Area;

WHEREAS, the Commission Staff has completed its review and investigation of the Application and the Applicant. In a May 19, 2011, Memorandum to the Commission, Staff reports that Artesian's Application meets all requirements for the granting of a CPCN under 26 Del. C. §203C and the Commission's *Regulations Governing Water Utilities Including the Public Service Commission's Jurisdiction to Grant and Revoke Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity*, 26 Del. Admin. C. §2002 et al., and recommends approval of the Application; and

WHEREAS, for these reasons, the Commission finds that Artesian has met all requirements for the granting of a CPCN and, therefore, the Commission shall approve the Application in PSC Docket No. 10-CPCN-10 as filed on March 31, 2010, and amended on May 4, 2011.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE

VOTE OF NOT FEWER THAN THREE COMMISSIONERS:

1. That, pursuant to 26 Del. C. §203C(e), to the extent it is consistent with this Order, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is granted to Artesian Water Company, Inc. to serve the area more specifically identified by the New Castle County Tax Map Parcel Numbers shown in the attached Exhibit "A" of this Order.

2. That Artesian Water Company, Inc., shall comply with any and all federal, state, county, and local statutes, ordinances,

orders, regulations, rules, and permit conditions that are applicable, or may become applicable, to any matter involving water utility services provided to the service territory granted by this Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity.

3. 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/ Alisa Carrow Bentley
Secretary

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**APPROVED SERVICE AREA
PARCELS WITHIN CERTIFICATE OF
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY**

**ARTESIAN WATER COMPANY, INC.
PSC DOCKET NO. 10-CPCN-10**

NEW CASTLE COUNTY TAX MAP PARCEL NUMBERS

14-008.00-018	14-019.00-242
14-012.00-016	14-020.00-031
14-012.00-084	14-020.00-064
14-016.00-107	14-022.00-025
14-012.00-120	14-022.00-073
14-012.00-198	14-022.00-076
14-012.00-203	15-010.00-009
14-016.00-021	15-010.00-016
14-016.00-073	15-010.00-035
14-016.00-075	15-010.00-043
14-016.00-081	15-010.00-054
14-016.00-208	15-010.00-060
14-016.00-095	15-010.00-063
14-016.00-096	15-010.00-079
14-016.00-157	15-010.00-086
14-016.00-174	15-010.00-088
14-016.00-196	15-010.00-098
14-016.00-212	15-010.00-110
14-016.00-228	15-010.00-111
14-016.00-274	15-010.00-128
14-016.00-292	15-010.00-140
14-016.00-294	15-011.00-053
14-017.00-008	15-011.00-061
14-017.00-025	15-011.00-080
14-017.00-026	15-011.00-089
14-019.00-221	15-011.00-111