AND NOW, this 1st day of June, 2011,

WHEREAS, pursuant to PSC Order No. 7964, dated May 10, 2011, the deadline for filing petitions to intervene pursuant to Rule 1001-2.9 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure in this docket is Friday, June 10, 2011;

WHEREAS, on May 27, 2011, Christiana Care Health Services (“Christiana Care”) filed a timely Petition for Leave to Intervene in this docket;

WHEREAS, the cover letter of Christiana Care’s counsel, Todd A. Coomes, Esquire, indicates that a copy of the filing was sent to the service list for this docket;

WHEREAS, Christiana Care alleges that if Artesian Water Company, Inc.’s (“Artesian”) proposed rates are allowed to become effective on a permanent basis, its rates will increase from $3.605 to $4.12\(^1\), which it contends is a substantial increase that will be passed on to its patients (Petition at ¶3);

\(^1\) The Commission in PSC Order No. 7964, dated May 10, 2011, allowed Artesian to implement interim rates intended to produce an annual increase of $2.5 million in intrastate operating revenues, effective June 11, 2011. PSC Order No. 7964 at ¶3. This increase was conditioned on the proviso that interim rates would be implemented on a prorated basis and subject to the Commission’s final order. Id.
WHEREAS; Christiana Care further asserts that since it is the only entity receiving service under Artesian’s Wholesale Industrial Rate classification, its interests are not adequately represented without its intervention in this proceeding (Petition at ¶4);

WHEREAS, this hearing examiner notes that Christiana Care Health Services has sought leave (and has been granted such) to intervene in other matters involving rates for Artesian Water Company, Inc.’s services;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority granted to me in PSC Order No. 7964, this Hearing Examiner having considered the Petition of the (“Petition) and the supporting documents, there being no indication that any of the parties of record object to or intend to object to the Petition;

NOW, THEREFORE,

1. The Petition is granted.

2. Christiana Care is entered this day as a party of record to the above-referenced docket.

3. Christiana Care is cautioned that it must abide by the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure as well as any other rules, regulations and statutes of the State of Delaware applicable to these proceedings.

4. Further, Christiana Care accepts this intervention based upon the posture of this case as it currently stands with

---

2 In its Petition for Leave to Intervene, Christiana Care notes that has been granted leave to intervene in PSC Docket Nos. 04-42, 05-293, 06-158 and 08-96.
regard to any prior Commission orders, procedural schedules, or directives of this hearing examiner.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

/s/ Ruth Ann Price
Ruth Ann Price, 
Senior Hearing Examiner

cc: Service List for PSC Docket No. 11-207 
William F. O’Brien, Executive Director 
Janis Dillard, Deputy Executive Director