

**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. 13-CPCN-07
AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE WATER)
SERVICES PURSUANT TO 26 *DEL. C.* §203C)
("AWC 051613-1") (FILED July 22, 2013))

ORDER NO. 8461

AND NOW, this 26th day of September, 2013:

WHEREAS, on July 22, 2013, Artesian Water Company, Inc. ("Artesian" or "Applicant") filed an application (the "Application") with the Delaware Public Service Commission (the "Commission") pursuant to 26 *Del. C.* §203C(e)(1)(b) seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") to expand its facilities and operations in order to provide water services to one (1) parcel of land in Kent County, Delaware identified at Tax Parcel number 122.00-02-27.01 known as AWC 051613-1 (the "Proposed Service Area"). The Application included evidence that Artesian mailed notice of the Application and the options available to all landowners of record in the Proposed Service Area. In addition, Artesian published notice of the Application in two newspapers of general circulation. The Commission received no comments regarding Artesian or this Application. This application relates back to PSC Docket No. 13-CPCN-06 which was approved by the Commission on August 27, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Commission Staff ("Staff") reviewed the Application to ensure compliance with the statutory provisions of 26 *Del. C.* §203C and the Commission's *Regulations Governing Certificates of Public*

Convenience and Necessity for Water Utilities, 26 Del. Admin. C. §2002 (the "Regulations"). No errors or omissions were found.

WHEREAS, Staff completed its review and investigation of Artesian and the Application and submitted a memorandum dated September 9, 2013 to the Commission which confirms that the Application meets all requirements for granting Artesian a CPCN pursuant to 26 Del. C. §203C. Accordingly, Staff recommends approval of the Application.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE
VOTE OF NO FEWER THAN THREE COMMISSIONERS:**

1. Pursuant to 26 Del. C. §203C(e), the Application is approved and a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is granted to Artesian to serve the Proposed Service Area.

2. Artesian 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. 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:

Chair

