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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF TIDEWATER UTILITIES, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE WATER SERVICES PURSUANT TO 26 DEL. C. §203C (FILED AUGUST 28, 2024)

PSC DOCKET 24-0969

("Sussex 072924")

On August 28, 2024 Tidewater Utilities, Inc., filed an application with the Delaware Public Service Commission ("PSC") for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") to provide water services to the following parcels: (1) 130-5.00-15.06 - is a parcel located on the east side of Hidden Meadow Rd. and is located about 2,781 feet from the intersection of Hidden Meadow Rd. and Teatown Rd. (2) 133-14.00-8.00 - is a parcel located on the north side of Hardscrabble Rd. and is located about 355 feet from the intersection of Hardscrabble Rd. and Bryans Store Rd. (3) 230-6.00-2.00 - is a parcel located on the west side of Railroad Ave. and is located about 460 feet from the intersection of Railroad Ave. and Greely Ave. (4) 332-2.00-61.00 - is a parcel located on the south side of Laurel Rd. and is located about 160 feet from the intersection of Laurel Rd. and Old Stage Rd. (5) 335-8.00-25.01 - is a parcel located on the east side of Old Orchard Rd. and is located about 135 feet from the intersection of Old Orchard Rd. and Bradford Ln. The basis for the application is Tidewater Utilities, Inc. possession of a petition requesting water services signed by all of the landowners in the proposed service area as set forth in 26 Del. C. §203C(e)(1)b.

The PSC is investigating this matter to the extent deemed necessary to determine whether the CPCN should be granted. An evidentiary hearing on this application will not be held unless there is a meritorious request received within thirty (30) days of publication of this notice. A meritorious request is deemed to be one which sets forth reasonable grounds why a public hearing would be appropriate or would be in the public interest.

Pursuant to current law, property owners within the proposed CPCN service area may file an objection to the issuance of a CPCN to Tidewater Utilities, Inc. and may also choose to "opt-out" of inclusion in the proposed service area. Written notice of such objection or a decision to "opt-out" of inclusion in the proposed service area must be sent to the Delaware Public Service Commission at the following address within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice.

The Commission's mailing address is:

Public Service Commission 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Cannon Bldg. Suite 100, Dover, DE 19904

Attention: PSC Docket No. 24-0969 - Sussex 072924

Copies of Tidewater Utilities, Inc. application in this matter are available for public inspection at the Commission's Dover office at the address noted above during normal business hours, or from the Commission's website at https://depsc.delaware.gov.

Any individual with a disability, who wishes to participate in these proceedings, or to review the application, should contact the Commission to discuss any auxiliary aids or services needed to facilitate such review or participation. Such contact may be in person, by writing, telephonically, by use of the Telecommunications Relay Service, or otherwise. Persons with questions concerning this matter may contact the Commission

at its toll-free number (within Delaware) 1-800-282-8574, by Text Telephone ("TT"), by regular telephone at (302) 736-7500, or by e-mail to psc@delaware.gov.