LEGAL NOTICE

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 OCTOBER 1, 2024)))))) PSC DOCKET 24-1083 ("Sussex 083024")

On October 1, 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) 135-7.00-25.00 - is a parcel located on the west side of Winterberry St. and is located about 1,635 feet from the intersection of Winterberry St. and Black Willow Dr. (2) 230-13.00-618.01 - is a parcel located on the east side of Clendaniel Pond Rd. and is located about 540 feet from the intersection of Clendaniel Pond Rd. and Daisey Dr. (3) 230-7.00-25.00 - is a parcel located on the west side of Dove Dr. and is located about 225 feet from the intersection of Dove Dr. and E. Hudson Pond Rd. (4) 333-4.00-1.02 – is a parcel located on the west side of Pear Tree Rd. and is located about 520 feet from the intersection of Pear Tree Rd. and Laurel Rd. (5) 333-11.00-53.00 - is a parcel located on the east side of Millsboro Hwy. and is located about 325 feet from the intersection of Millsboro Hwy. and Daisey Rd. 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. 24-1083 – Sussex 083024

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 <u>https://depsc.delaware.gov</u>.

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 <u>psc@delaware.gov</u>.