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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 OCTOBER 14, 2024)

PSC DOCKET 24-1130

("Sussex 091324")

On October 14, 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) 130-6.00-47.00 - is a parcel located on the north side of Fitzgeralds Rd. and is located about 710 feet from the intersection of Fitzgerald Rd. and Clogg Dr. West (2) 133-5.00-42.01 - is a parcel located on the west side of Shortly Rd. and is located about 2,610 feet from the intersection of Shortly Rd. and Kings Rd. (3) 133-14.00-16.00 - is a parcel located on the north side of Hardscrabble Rd. and is located at the intersection of Hardscrabble Rd. and Shortly Rd. (4) 133-14.00-29.02 - is a parcel located on the south side of Shiloh Church Rd. and is located about 2,315 feet from the intersection of Shiloh Church Rd. and Hardscrabble Rd. (5) 231-7.00-34.00 - is a parcel located on the south side of Seashore Hwy. and is located about 315 feet from the intersection of Seashore Hwy. and Oday 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. 24-1130 - Sussex 091324

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 <a href="https://depsc.delaware.gov">https://depsc.delaware.gov</a>.

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 <a href="mailto:psc@delaware.gov">psc@delaware.gov</a>.