

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER  
COMMISSIONER REDFORD  
COMMISSIONER SMITH  
COMMISSION SECRETARY  
COMMISSION STAFF  
LEGAL

**FROM:** NEIL PRICE  
DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

**DATE:** APRIL 6, 2012

**SUBJECT:** APPLICATION OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS UTILITIES FOR  
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS RATES AND CHARGES FOR WATER  
SERVICE, CASE NO. CCH-W-12-01

On March 22, 2012, Country Club Hills Utilities (“CCHU” or “Company”) filed an Application requesting authority to “increase its rates and charges for water service.” *Application* at 1.

### THE APPLICATION

In its Application, CCHU states that it “provides water service to 147 residential and 1 commercial customers in Bonneville County, Idaho.” *Id.* CCHU attached a map of the Company’s service area showing the location of wells, reservoirs, transmission mains and distribution lines and a written legal description defining the boundaries of the service area. *Id.* The Company is seeking Commission authorization for “a general 32% increase in water rates. . . .” *Id.* An itemization of CCHU’s proposal is outlined below:

1. Increase flat rate residential /commercial rates from \$17 per month to \$25 per month.
2. Increase metered residential/commercial rates from \$0.60 per thousand gallons for all consumption in excess of 30,000 gallons per month to \$0.60 per thousand gallons for all consumption in excess of 15,000 gallons to 25,000 gallons and \$0.70 per thousand gallons for all consumption in excess of 25,000.
3. Increase flat rate Condo with no landscape from \$15.75 per month to \$23.75 dollars per month.

4. Increase metered landscape rates for Condo's from \$20.00 per month to \$23.75 per month during the months of use. Increase metered landscape rates for Condo's from \$0.60 per thousand gallons for all consumption used in excess of 30,000 gallons per month to \$0.60 per thousand gallons for all consumption used in excess of 15,000 to 25,000 gallons and \$0.70 per thousand gallons for all consumption used in excess of 25,000 gallons.
5. Increase hookup fee from \$500 dollars to \$750 per hookup.
6. Increase reconnection fee from \$14 per reconnection during normal business hours and \$28 at all other times to \$50 per reconnection during normal business hours and all other times.

*Id.* at 1-2.

CCHU did not include a copy of its customer's notice as required by Commission Rule of Procedure 125. The Company requests that its Application for a rate increase be processed through Modified Procedure. The Company did not request a specific effective date for its proposed increase but did include March 1, 2012 as the effective date on its revised tariffs, submitted as an attachment to its Application.

#### COMMISSION DECISION

1. Does the Commission wish to suspend CCHU's Application for an increase in its rates and charges for water service for a period of 30 days plus 5 months, pursuant to *Idaho Code* § 61-622?
2. Does the Commission wish to order the Company to prepare and submit a customer notice

  
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