

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** COMMISSIONER REDFORD  
COMMISSIONER SMITH  
COMMISSIONER KEMPTON  
COMMISSION SECRETARY  
LEGAL  
WORKING FILE

**FROM:** DAN GRAVES

**DATE:** NOVEMBER 21, 2007

**RE:** DIAMOND BAR GENERAL RATE CASE; CASE NO. DIA-W-07-1.

On April 13, 2007, Diamond Bar Estates Water Company (Diamond Bar; Company) filed an Application to increase its rates for water service by approximately 87.44%, increase its fees for installation of a meter to \$310 and implement a new customer connection charge of either \$2,500 or \$5,500 where a service line to the property does not exist.

On October 22, 2007, in Order No. 30455, the Commission approved an annual revenue requirement for Diamond Bar of \$28,602, and an increase in the base charge and the commodity charge. In the Order the Commission approved a new service connection fee and a new hookup fee where there is no service line tap. The Commission also approved an additional charge, to be determined on a case-by-case basis, when a service line tap must cross a road. The Order also stated that the Company is authorized to include a \$20 NSF charge in its tariff. Finally, the Commission ordered the Company to revise its customer billing statement to be consistent with Rule 201.

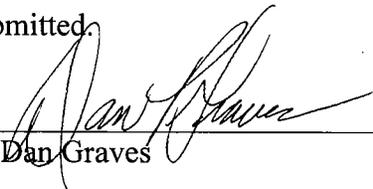
Diamond Bar has submitted tariffs in response to the Commission Order, which are attached.

- Revised Billing Statement
- Tariff No. 1, pages 1, 2 and 3

### RECOMMENDATION

Staff finds that the tariffs submitted are in compliance with Commission Order No. 30455 and recommends that they be approved as submitted.

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Dan Graves

**DIAMOND BAR ESTATES WATER CO**  
**PO BOX 1870**  
**HYADEN ID 83835**  
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November 9, 2007

Idaho Public Utilities Commission  
ATTN: Commission Secretary  
PO Box 83720  
Boise ID 83720-0074

Subject: Case No. DIA-W-07-01  
Order No. 30455

Dear Commission Secretary

Enclosed with this cover letter are the originals of the tariffs conforming to the new rates and charges, and the customer billing statement changes requested in Order No 30455.

An extra copy is also enclosed. Please date stamp this copy and return it to this Applicant for our records.

Thank you

  
Robert N Turnipseed  
Owner

Diamond Bar Estates Water Co PO Box 1870, Hayden ID 83835  
Emergency# 687-9000, 772-5060 Office 665-9200

Billing Date \_\_\_\_\_ Water Billing for period \_\_\_\_\_

Domestic-current reading \_\_\_\_\_ prev reading \_\_\_\_\_

Irrigation-current reading \_\_\_\_\_ prev reading \_\_\_\_\_

Total usage \_\_\_\_\_ Excess Gallons \_\_\_\_\_

Previous balance \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Payment Rec'd \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Past Due Amt \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Current month \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total now due \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Due date \_\_\_\_\_

0 - 5500 gals \$29.00 5501 and over \$.80/per thousand gals

Ex: 50,000 gals minus 5500 gals = 44,500 divided by 1000 x .80 = \$35.60 plus \$29.00

Total due \$64.60 (Minimum charge of \$29.00 covers both meters and includes the first 5500 gallons of usage)

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Diamond Bar Estates Water Co.

Per Order No 30455

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METERED WATER RATES

Minimum Charge

\$29.00 per month (which covers both the domestic and irrigation meters and includes the first 5500 gallons of usage)

Commodity Charge

\$.80 per 1000 gallons in excess of 5500 gallons

NOTE:

Bills for water service will be rendered monthly and are payable Within fifteen (15) days of the billing date

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NON-RECURRING CHARGES

\$15 reconnection fee will be charged during business hours

\$30 reconnection fee will be charged after normal business  
Hours and weekends

(Does not apply to seasonal installation of irrigation meters)

\$20 NSF check return charge

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NEW CUSTOMER CONNECTION CHARGES

For a first time connection to the Diamond Bar Estates Water Company system when an existing Service line and meter base are already in place on the property the cost is \$310.00

If there is no service line tap to the Company's water mains or meter box in place on the property the cost is \$2500.00

When the installation of a new service line requires the Company to bore a line under a road, all additional costs will be charged to the customer on a time and materials basis. The new customer may, at their option, hire a Diamond Bar Water Company approved independent contractor to perform the road bore and connection. The Company will require such contractor to show proof of bonding, licensing and insurance and have at least five (5) years of experience at hot tapping water lines. Diamond Bar Estates Water Company's Water Master will inspect and approve all the work being performed to insure compliance with the Company's installation requirements.

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