

\$15.70 per month. Morning View included a cost estimate for new well and meter installations issued by 3H Construction LLC in its letter to the Commission.

STAFF REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff reviewed Morning View's request and stated that it would audit the Company's final investment cost records once the projects have been completed in order to determine the rate impact to customers in the Company's next rate case filing.

Staff made the following recommendations:

1. Commission approval of Morning View's request for an increase to its borrowing authority up to \$530,000;
2. The Company should continue to comply with the terms dictated by the Commission in Order Nos. 31061 and 33044;
3. Morning View Water should be required to provide copies of the following to the Commission:
 - a. Final IDEQ loan documents;
 - b. All compliance reports and calculations that may be required;
 - c. All approval letters;
 - d. All executed loan agreements;
 - e. Any amendments to its loan application; and
 - f. The actual final costs in summary format similar to the engineering estimate.

COMMISSION FINDINGS

The Commission finds that Morning View's filing satisfies the requirements of *Idaho Code* §§ 61-901 *et seq.* and the Commission's Rules of Procedure 141-150, IDAPA 31.01.01.141-.150. The purpose of the requested borrowing authority is in the public interest, and appropriate to the performance of Morning View's services as a public utility. Therefore, we find that the Company's Application should be approved pursuant to *Idaho Code* § 61-902.

Upon due consideration of Morning View's request, as well as Staff's recommendations, the Commission finds that it is reasonable and prudent to allow Morning View to borrow up to an additional \$120,000 under the IDEQ Loan Program in order to make

necessary upgrades to its water system. Morning View's total borrowing authority under the Program shall not exceed a total of \$530,000.

The Commission reiterates that Morning View must continue to comply with the Commission's prior Orders granting the Company borrowing authority in order to make necessary environmental upgrades to its water system as required by IDEQ. *See* Order Nos. 31061, 33044. The Company shall move forward with all deliberate speed to make these basic improvements to its system.

The Commission also orders Morning View to submit, in an expeditious manner, copies of the following documents to the Commission: final loan documents with IDEQ; requisite compliance reports and calculations; approval letters; executed loan agreements; any amendments to its loan application; and the actual final costs in summary format similar to the engineering estimate referenced in Staff's comments.

The issuance of this Order granting borrowing authority to Morning View "does not constitute agency determination/approval of the type of financing or the related costs for ratemaking purposes." Order No. 30120 at 2. Accordingly, the Commission defers its final evaluation and determination regarding the prudence of such costs and "the effect of issuance on rates to be charged by [Morning View] to consumers in the State of Idaho" until the Company's next general rate case. *Id.*

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Idaho Public Utilities Commission has jurisdiction over Morning View pursuant to *Idaho Code* §§ 61-124-125, 61-129, 61-301, 61-303, 61-501-502, 61-901, and the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq.*

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Morning View Water Company's request for approval to increase its borrowing authority under the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality's Drinking Water Revolving Loan Program by \$120,000, for a total borrowing authority under the Program not to exceed \$530,000, is approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Morning View, immediately upon receipt, shall submit copies of the following documents to the Commission: all final loan documents with IDEQ; requisite compliance reports and calculations; approval letters; executed loan agreements;

any amendments to the loan application; and the actual final costs in summary format similar to the engineering estimate referenced herein.


IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that nothing in this Order shall be construed to obligate the State of Idaho to pay or guarantee in any manner whatsoever any security authorized, issued, assumed, repurchased, defeased or guaranteed under the provisions of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the issuance of this Order does not constitute acceptance of Morning View's exhibits or other material accompanying this Application for any purpose other than the issuance of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this authorization is without prejudice to the regulatory authority of this Commission with respect to rates, services, accounts, evaluation, estimates or determination of costs, or any other matter which may come before this Commission pursuant to its jurisdiction and authority as provided by law.

THIS IS A FINAL ORDER. Any person interested in this Order may petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of the service date of this Order with regard to any matter decided in this Order. Within seven (7) days after any person has petitioned for reconsideration, any other person may cross-petition for reconsideration. *See Idaho Code* § 61-626.

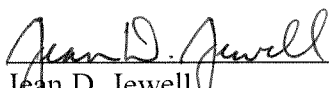
DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 25th
day of March 2015.


PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT


MACK A. REDFORD, COMMISSIONER


KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:


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Commission Secretary

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