## BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION	)	
OF TROY HOFFMAN WATER	)	CASE NO. TRH-W-13-01
CORPORATION FOR AUTHORITY TO	)	
INCREASE ITS RATES AND CHARGES FOR	)	NOTICE OF APPLICATION
WATER SERVICE IN THE STATE OF	)	
IDAHO	)	ORDER NO. 32863

On July 5, 2013, Troy Hoffman Water Corporation applied to the Idaho Public Utilities Commission for authority to increase its rates and charges for water service. On July 26, the Company filed corrected Application pages that reduce the amount of the proposed increase from 72% to 34%. The Company asks that the Commission process its Application by Modified Procedure, and that the new rates take effect on January 1, 2014.

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED Troy Hoffman Water Corporation provides water service to 146 residential customers and 1 commercial customer in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. The Company has applied for a 34% increase in water rates as follows:

	Current Rates	Proposed Rates
Residential	\$11.80 per month plus \$1.10 per 1,000 gallons for all consumption exceeding 5,000 gallons per month	\$15.76 per month plus \$1.47 per 1,000 gallons for all consumption exceeding 5,000 gallons per month
Commercial	\$15.50 per month plus \$1.10 per 1,000 gallons for all consumption exceeding 5,000 gallons per month	\$20.70 per month plus \$1.47 per 1,000 gallons for all consumption exceeding 5,000 gallons per month

The Company bills customers on a bi-monthly basis.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company did not seek a rate increase between 1996 and 2011 even though its operating expenses increased during that period. The Company then increased its rates in January 2011. *See* Order No. 32152. The Company says the January 2011 increase partially bridged the gap between its operating expense and income, but that the Company needs another increase because operating expenses continue to exceed income.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the following party has been designated as the Company's representative in this matter:

Ron Stadley, President Troy Hoffman Water Corporation 710 W. Dalton Avenue, Suite J Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815 E-mail: ron@allservron.com

All communications with reference to this Application should be served upon the above named Company representative.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company's revenue requirement, and every component of it, both rate base and expense, are at issue. The Commission may grant, deny, or modify the revenue requirement requested and may find a revenue requirement different from that proposed by any party is just, fair and reasonable. IDAPA 31.01.01.124.01.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the recurring and non-recurring rates and charges of all retail customers are at issue and every component of every existing and proposed rate and charge is at issue. The Commission may approve, reject or modify the rates and charges proposed and may find that rates and charges different from those proposed by any party are fair, just, and reasonable. IDAPA 31.01.01.124.02.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission may approve, reject, or modify existing or proposed relationships between and among rates and charges within, between or among customer classes or rate groups and may approve, reject or modify existing or proposed relationships among and between customer classes or rate groups. IDAPA 31.01.01.124.02.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission may abolish, reduce or create rate blocks or categories of rates and charges; abolish, create or reduce components of rates and charges; abolish, reduce or create customer classes or rate groups; and abolish, reduce, or create absolute or relative differences among and between existing classes or rate groupings of customers. IDAPA 31.01.01.124.02.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the tariffs, practices, rules and regulations, service, instrumentalities, equipment, facilities, classifications, and customer relations of the utility are at issue, and the Commission may address any of them in its Order. IDAPA 31.01.01.124.02.

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application and supporting workpapers, testimonies and exhibits have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices. The Application and testimonies are also available on the Commission's web site at <a href="www.puc.idaho.gov">www.puc.idaho.gov</a>. Click on the "File Room" tab at the top of the page, scroll down to "Open Water Cases," and then click on the case number as shown on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code and specifically *Idaho Code* § 61-502 and 61-622. The Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority under Title 61.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq*.

## **COMMISSION FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

The Commission has jurisdiction over the Company, its Application, and the issues involved in this case under Title 61, Idaho Code, and the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 et seq. The Commission will issue subsequent orders setting a public workshop, comment deadlines, and a customer hearing as necessary.

We appreciate the Company proactively correcting its Application to reflect that it proposes a 34% increase instead of a 72% increase.

## ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this Notice issue as set forth above.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 3/57 day of July 2013.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

MACK A. REDFORD, COMMISSIONER

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Jean D. Jewell

Commission Secretary

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