

ANDOVER UTILITY CO.

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BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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Irene Kim Asbury, Secretary
NJ Board of Public Utilities
44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor
P.O. Box 350
Trenton, NJ 08625-0350

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RE: In The Matter of the Petition of Andover Utility Company Inc.
For Approval of an Increase in Rates for Wastewater Service
Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-21 and N.J.A.C. 14:1-5.12.

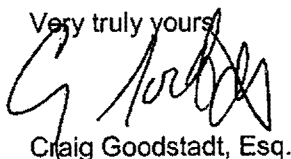
Dear Secretary Asbury,

Enclosed for filing please find an original and ten (10) copies, plus one additional copy, of the Company's Petition as noted above regarding a request for an increase in rates.

Please stamp the additional copy of the petition "filed" and return in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided.

Please advise if you need additional information.

Very truly yours,



Craig Goodstadt, Esq.

cc: Service list

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IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION :
OF ANDOVER UTILITY COMPANY, INC.: **VERIFIED PETITION**
FOR APPROVAL OF AN INCREASE IN :
RATES FOR WASTEWATER SERVICE : **BPU DOCKET No. WR1707**0726
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Andover Utility Company, Inc., hereinafter referred to as “Company” or “Petitioner”, a corporation and public utility of the State of New Jersey, with its principal office located at 525 Riverside Avenue in the Town of Lyndhurst, County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey 07071, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-21 and N.J.A.C. 14:1-5.12, hereby petitions the Honorable Board of Public Utilities for approval to revise and increase its rates for wastewater service to become effective August 7, 2017, a date at least thirty (30) days after the filing of this petition at the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Public Utilities. In furtherance of this Petition, the Company makes the following representations:

1. Petitioner provides wastewater service in the Township of Andover in the County of Sussex in the State of New Jersey.
2. As a public utility of the State of New Jersey, Petitioner is charged with the duty to render safe, adequate and proper service in its franchised service territory.
3. The following data required by the Board's Rules of Practice are attached hereto as exhibits:

- Exhibit P-1 Tariff BPU No. 1 – Wastewater
- Exhibit P-2 Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015 (Schedule 1)
- Exhibit P-2 Statements of Income For the Years 2013, 2014 and 2015 (Schedule 2)
- Exhibit P-2 Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2016 (Schedule 3)
- Exhibit P-2 Statement of Operating Income with 12 months Actual through 12/31/16 (Schedule 3)
- Exhibit P-2 Statement of Operating Income under Present and Proposed Rates and for the 12 months ended December 31, 2016 (Schedule 4)
- Exhibit P-3 Public Notice

4. On the basis of the test year ending September 30, 2017, the proposed rates will increase the total revenues of the Company by \$130,332, which is an overall increase of 27.56%.

5. Notice of this filing and two copies of this Petition are being served upon the Division of Rate Counsel and on the Office of the Attorney General by overnight delivery made on the date of the filing of this Petition. Both offices will be notified of the time and place of hearing promptly after advice in that regard has been received from the Office of Administrative Law.

6. Notice of this filing and the effect thereof, including a copy of the applicable tariff sheets, will be served by mail upon the Board of Chosen Freeholders and County Executive Officers of Sussex County in the Company's service territory, as well as upon the Clerk of the respective municipality within the Company's service territory. Such notice will be given at least twenty (20) days prior to the date set for hearing and shall include and specify the time and place of said hearing. The county and municipality upon whom service of said notice will be made are shown on the tariff pages included in

Exhibit P-1. A copy of the form of the proposed notice is set forth in Exhibit P-3, attached hereto.

7. Customers will be notified of this filing, and the effect thereof, together with the time and place of hearing by publication at least twenty (20) days prior to the date set for hearing in newspapers published and circulated within the Company's service territory. The general form of said publication and the Notices referred to in the preceding paragraph will be in the form previously described and set forth in Exhibit P-3, attached hereto.

8. Proof of Service of the Notices referred to herein will be served upon the parties and filed with the Board and Office of Administrative Law.

9. The reasons for the proposed increase in rates requested by the Company are as follows:

A. to establish an income level which will permit the Company to finance essential and continuing plant investment;

B. to permit the Company to earn a fair and adequate rate of return on its net investment in used and useful property;

C. to establish rates which will be sufficient to enable the Company, under efficient and economical operation, to maintain and support its financial integrity and to raise such funds as may be necessary for the proper discharge of its public duties;

D. to offset increases in operating expenses experienced, and to be experienced, by the Company in the course of its operations;

E. to provide earnings sufficient to attract investors and provide sufficient cash flow to fund the Company's operations; and

F. to enable the Company to continue to provide safe, adequate and ,
.proper service to its customers.

10. The rates proposed by the Company are just and reasonable.

WHEREFORE, Andover Utility Company respectfully requests that the New
Jersey Board of Public Utilities Find, Determine and Order that:

- a. the rates presently in effect are unjust and unreasonable;
- b. the proposed rates submitted with this Petition are just and reasonable;
- c. the proposed tariff revisions are necessary and reasonable; and
- d. the Company may have such other and further relief as requested herein
and as the Board may deem just, reasonable and proper.

Respectfully submitted,


Craig Goodstadt, Esq.

7/7/17
Dated

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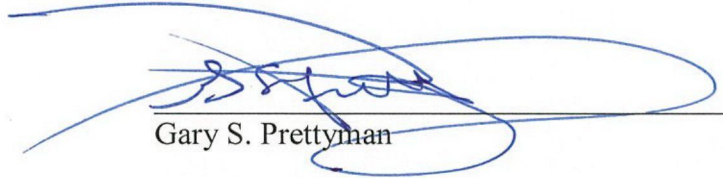
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VERIFICATION

Gary S. Prettyman, being duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and says:

1. I am the regulatory consultant to Andover Utility Company, Inc. and am authorized to make this Verification on behalf of the Company.
2. I have read the within petition and its attachments and the same are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.



Gary S. Prettyman

Sworn and subscribed before me this

6th day of July, 2017



MARYANN GINGERELLI-YANIGA
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
My Commission Expires Jan. 30, 2018