

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Aqua Ohio, Inc.)	Case No. 08-1337-WW-PWA
for Authority to Assess a)	_
Purchased Water Charge in)	· .
The Lake Erie Division	()	•

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY TO COLLECT A PURCHASED WATER CHARGE IN AQUA OHIO'S LAKE ERIE DIVISION

To the honorable Public Utilities Commission of Ohio:

Applicant, Aqua Ohio, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "Aqua Ohio"), respectfully

represents:

- 1) Aqua Ohio is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Ohio and is authorized to engage in the business of providing water service to customers in the service territory of its Lake Erie Division as set forth in Certificate of Public Convenience No. 30 and Aqua Ohio, Inc. Lake Erie Division, P.U.C.O. Tariff No. 1.
- 2) Aqua Ohio is a public utility and a water-works company as those terms are defined in the Ohio Revised Code Sections 4905.02 and 4905.03(A)(8) and is regulated by and under the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- Aqua Ohio is making this application to the Commission for authority to collect a Purchased Water Charge pursuant to R.C. §4909.171. The service area for the Lake Erie Division of Aqua Ohio is described in Aqua Ohio, Inc., Lake Erie Division P.U.C.O. Tariff No. 1, section 5-1 through 5-5, original sheet no.1.
- 4) The proposed Purchased Water Charge for the Lake Erie Division will only be applied to customers in the former Lake Erie East Division.
- 5) Filed herewith and incorporated herein by reference as is fully set forth are the following exhibits, schedules and documents.
 - Exhibit A. Purchased Water Calculation Based on the Ohio American increase awarded in Case No. 07-1112-WW-AIR
 - Exhibit B. Work Paper Supporting the Purchased Water Calculation
 - Exhibit C. Current Tariff Sheets with Proposed Purchased Water Adjustment Language

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Exhibit D. Proposed Customer Notice to be distributed to each customer prior to the Effective date of the new rate.

WHEREFORE, Aqua Ohio prays that the Commission find: 1) that the Purchased Water Charge to be collected by Aqua Ohio in its Lake Erie Division is just and reasonable; 2) approve the filing of the proposed Tariff sheets filed herewith and made a part hereof, modified to reflect such revisions thereof as may become effective, pursuant to the orders of this Commission; and 3) grant such other and further relief as the Lake Erie Division of Aqua Ohio, Inc. is reasonably entitled to in these proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A

Purchased Water Calculation

PURCHASED WATER CALCULATION

Aqua Ohio, Inc. Case No. 08-1337-WW-PWA

The current rate structure for the Aqua Ohio, Inc. Lake Erie Division customers, formerly the Lake Erie East Division, is a monthly metered charge that is billed in arrears. The Lake Erie Division purchases all of its water for the customers in the former Lake Erie East Division from the Ohio American Water Company. Ohio American was awarded a rate increase from the Public Utility Commission of Ohio in Case No. 07-1112-WS-AIR on November 12, 2008. This award increased the rate for the water Aqua Ohio purchases to serve Lake Erie Division customers from Ohio American from \$1.5224 per 1,000 gallons to \$1.7402 per 1,000 gallons. The additional cost of purchased water will be equally distributed to metered customers by applying a 4.4% surcharge to metered customers. The purchased water adjustment will result in an additional \$1.31 per month for an average residential customer using 3,740 gallons of water per month.

See EXHIBIT B for work paper supporting the proposed purchased water increase.

EXHIBIT B

Work Paper Supporting

Purchased Water Calculation

Exhibit B

WORK PAPER

AQUA OHIO, INC.
Lake Erie Division
Case No. 08-1337-WWV-PW/A
Purchase Wafer Adjustment
FOR THE FORMER LAKE ERIE EAST DIVISION

Data:

	Purchased Water Total New Rafe	19,660.11	20,025.27	20,237.09	20,553.51	20,676.29	21,531.48	20,964.31	22,736.30	25,649.19	23,753.77	23,496.48	20,387.69		259,671.50	32,500	739,387	4.40%	29.75	1.31
	New rate 1.7402/1000	1.7402	1.7402	1.7402	1.7402	1.7402	1.7402	1.7402	1.7402	1.7402	1.7402	1.7402	1.7402	•			80			
AMOUNT	Purchased Water Total Old Rate	17,199.49	17,518.95	17,704.26	17,981.07	18,088.49	18,836.64	18,340,46	19,890.67	22,438.99	20,780.80	20,555.71	17,836.01		227,171.53		7 - October 20			
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EXHIBIT C

Tariff Sheets

P.U.C.O. TARIFF NO. 1

Rates for customers in the former Aqua Ohio, Inc. Lake Erie East Division DIVISION B -PRIVATE FIRE RATE SCHEDULE

HOSE CONNECTIONS AND HYDRANTS

	Per
	Month \$12.99
1-1/4" Hose Connectior	\$12.99
1-1/2" Hose Connectior	\$16.52
2" Hose Connection	\$20.08
2-1/2" Hose Connectior	\$23.60
Private Fire Hydrant	\$47.29

AUTOMATIC SPRINKLERS

Size of Connection	Per
	<u>Month</u>
2"	\$39.38
4"	\$57.69
6"	\$78.74

DIVISION C - PUBLIC FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE RATE SCHEDULE

No charges shall be made for public fire protection, and there shall be no fire hydrant rentals charged.

SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT SURCHARGE (SIC)

PURCHASED WATER SURCHARGE (PWA) (Increase)

In addition to the charges provided for in this tariff for all metered rates a surcharge of x.xx% will apply to all bills issued after Xxxxx XX, XXXX.

ISSUED:	EEECTIVE:

Issued by Robert A. Kopas, Vice President, Aqua Ohio, Inc. In accordance with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Order Dated, for Case No.

EXHIBIT D

Customer Notice

FORMER LAKE ERIE EAST DIVISION

CUSTOMER NOTICE: PURCHASED WATER ADJUSTMENT

Ohio Revised Code Section 4909.171 provides that when a water company which is under the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) purchases water from another utility under PUCO jurisdiction the water company can pass on the increased cost of purchasing water for its customers. The charge does not include any administrative cost, or any other operating expenses and is only the cost of purchased water.

Aqua Ohio, Inc. filed an application December 31, 2008 with the Public Utilitie
Commission of Ohio (PUCO) in Case No. 08-1337-WW-PWA seeking approval to assess
purchased water charge in its Lake Erie Division. The purpose of seeking authority to assess
purchased water charge in its Lake Erie Division is to recover costs related to an increase from
Ohio American Case No. 07-1112-WW-AIR in the rate it charges the customers in the forme
Lake Erie East Division for purchased water. After conducting an investigation into th
application, the PUCO approved Aqua Ohio's request on The PUCO
approved the assessment of a surcharge of 4.4% to your monthly bill. The surcharge will appea
on billings on or after The Purchased Water Charge approved by the PUCC
will result in the average residential customer's bill being increased by an additional charge is
the amount of \$1.31 per month for an average residential customer using 3,740 gallons of water
per month.

The surcharge will continue to appear on future bills and may be adjusted or eliminated based on the findings of the PUCO.

If you have any questions concerning the impact of the surcharge on your bill, or have any questions regarding the Purchased Water Adjustment please call Aqua Ohio at 877-987-2782.