THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF AQUA OHIO, INC. FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS RATES AND CHARGES FOR ITS WATERWORKS SERVICE.

CASE NO. 16-907-WW-AIR

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on July 20, 2016

I. SUMMARY

{¶ 1} This Entry accepts for filing as of May 31, 2016, an application for an increase in rates filed by Aqua Ohio, Inc. and directs the company to publish legal notice of the application in the non-legal notice section of the applicable newspapers.

II. DISCUSSION

- {¶ 2} R.C. 4909.18 requires any public utility seeking to establish or modify any rate or regulation to file an application with the Commission.
- {¶ 3} Aqua Ohio, Inc. (Aqua) is a waterworks company as defined by R.C. 4905.03(G) and a public utility as defined by R.C. 4905.02 and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- {¶4} On April 28, 2016, Aqua filed a notice of intent to file an application for an increase in rates for its Lake Erie service division, its entire Masury service division, all areas formerly served by Tomahawk Utilities, Inc., all areas formerly served by Mohawk Utilities, Inc., and all areas formerly served by Ohio American Water Company, pursuant to R.C. 4909.43(B), and in compliance with Ohio Adm.Code 4901-7-01, Appendix A, Chapter I of the Commission's Standard Filing Requirements. In its notice of intent to file an application for an increase in rates, Aqua has requested waivers from filing various financial and informational data required by this Commission's Standard Filing Requirements.

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{¶ 5} The application of Aqua for an increase in rates is governed by and must meet the requirements of R.C. 4909.17 to 4909.19.

- {¶ 6} By Entry issued May 25, 2016, the Commission approved the test year and date certain and granted waiver of the filing of certain of the Commission's Standard Filing Requirements.
 - {¶ 7} On May 31, 2016, Aqua filed its application to increase rates.
- {¶ 8} Aqua's application meets the requirements of R.C. 4909.17 to 4909.19 and this Commission's Standard Filing Requirements. As such, the application will be accepted as of the filing date of May 31, 2016.
- {¶ 9} Aqua's proposed notice for publication, set forth in Schedule S-3 of its application, complies with the requirements of R.C. 4909.19 and should be approved. Aqua shall begin publication of the newspaper notice, pursuant to R.C. 4909.19, within thirty days of the date of this Entry and such notice shall not appear in the legal notices section of the newspaper.

III. ORDER

- $\{\P 10\}$ It is, therefore,
- {¶ 11} ORDERED, That the application of Aqua be accepted for filing as of May 31, 2016. It is, further,
- {¶ 12} ORDERED, That the proposed newspaper notice submitted by Aqua be approved for publication. It is, further,

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¶ 13 ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties of record.

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