THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF AQUA OHIO, INC., TO INCREASE ITS RATES FOR WATER SERVICE.

CASE NO. 16-907-WW-AIR

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on December 13, 2016

- {¶ 1} Aqua Ohio, Inc. (Aqua or the Company) is a public utility defined in R.C. 4905.02 and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.
- {¶ 2} On May 31, 2016, Aqua filed an application pursuant to R.C. 4909.18 to increase its rates for water service in its Lake Erie and Masury service divisions, as well as the service divisions consisting of all areas formerly served by Mohawk Utilities, Inc., Tomahawk Utilities, Inc., and Ohio American Water Company. Pursuant to R.C. 4909.19, Staff conducted an investigation of the facts, exhibits, and matters relating to the Company's application, and filed its report on November 17, 2016.
- {¶ 3} By Entry issued December 1, 2016, the attorney examiner scheduled a prehearing conference to commence in this matter on December 19, 2016, at the offices of the Commission.
- {¶ 4} On December 12, 2016, the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC) and the city of Marion (Marion) filed a joint motion requesting a brief two-day extension of the prehearing conference date in order to provide parties the opportunity to review testimony and objections to the Staff report filed in this proceeding, which are due on the same day the prehearing conference is scheduled to occur. OCC and Marion note that this extension will allow for a better understanding of litigation positions before entering settlement negotiations and state that Staff and Aqua do not oppose this motion. OCC and Marion also request an expedited ruling on their motion, pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901-1-12(C).

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{¶ 5} The attorney examiner finds that OCC and Marion's joint motion is reasonable and should be granted. Accordingly, the prehearing conference will now be scheduled to take place on December 21, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad Street, Hearing Room 11-C, Columbus, Ohio 43215. The attorney examiner further notes the procedural schedule set forth in the December 1, 2016 Entry will otherwise remain the same.

 $\{\P 6\}$ It is, therefore,

{¶ 7} ORDERED, That OCC and Marion's joint motion for a two-day extension of the prehearing conference date be granted. It is, further,

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

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s/Megan Addison

By: Megan J. Addison Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry granting OCC and Marion's joint motion for a two-day extension of the prehearing conference date to 12/21/2016 in accordance with Paragraph 5. - electronically filed by Sandra Coffey on behalf of Megan Addison, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio