THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OHIO WASTEWATER SYSTEMS, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF A TARIFF AMENDMENT.

CASE NO. 18-1208-ST-ATA

FINDING AND ORDER

Entered in the Journal on October 3, 2018

I. SUMMARY

{¶ 1} The Commission approves the application of Ohio Wastewater Systems, Inc. seeking an amendment to its tariff.

II. DISCUSSION

- {¶ 2} Ohio Wastewater Systems, Inc. (OWSI or Company) is a sewage disposal system company as defined in R.C. 4905.03(M) and a public utility as defined in R.C. 4905.02 and, as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- {¶ 3} On November 8, 2017, in Case No. 17-616-ST-ACE, the Commission issued a Finding and Order authorizing OWSI to provide sewage disposal system service to a new residential development in an unincorporated portion of Union Township, Warren County, Ohio called Aberlin Springs.
- {¶ 4} On July 30, 2018, OWSI filed an application seeking to amend its bill format set forth in Appendix B of its Commission-approved tariff, P.U.C.O. No. 1, by replacing the current postcard-sized bill with a letter-sized bill. This change is being requested to align OWSI's bill format with that of all other wastewater utilities owned by the Company's parent, Adenus Group, LLC, which are making this same change to their bill formats. OWSI states that all of the information contained on the postcard bill previously approved by the Commission is included on the letter bill. The Company also sought approval to revise Original Sheet No. 1 and Original Sheet No. 2 of the Subject Index to incorporate the effective date of the new Appendix B and to accommodate a change in pagination resulting from the insertion of the effective date on Sheet No. 1.

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{¶ 5} On August 16, 2018, the Company filed an amended application with the bill form that included contact information for the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel.

- {¶ 6} On August 30, 2018, Staff filed its review and recommendations on OWSI's application, recommending approval of the amended application and proposed tariff language.
- {¶ 7} The Commission has reviewed the application for tariff modifications, as amended, as well as Staff's review and recommendations, and finds that the proposed tariff revisions are reasonable and in the public interest, and should be approved.

III. ORDER

- $\{\P 8\}$ It is, therefore,
- {¶ 9} ORDERED, That OWSI's application for tariff modifications, as amended, be approved. It is, further,
- {¶ 10} ORDERED, That OWSI is authorized to file tariffs, in final form, consistent with this Finding and Order. OWSI shall file one copy in this case docket and one copy in its TRF docket. It is, further,
- {¶ 11} ORDERED, That the effective date of the revisions to Original Sheet No. 1 and Original Sheet No. 2 shall be a date not earlier than the date upon which the final tariff pages are filed with the Commission. It is, further,
- {¶ 12} ORDERED, That nothing in this Finding and Order shall be binding upon this Commission in any future proceeding or investigation involving the justness or reasonableness of any rate, charge, rule, or regulation. It is, further,

{¶ 13} ORDERED, That a copy of this Finding and Order be served upon all parties and interested persons of record.

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