**ITEM NO. CA16** 

## PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON STAFF REPORT PUBLIC MEETING DATE: March 10, 2015

REGULAR CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE March 11, 2015

**DATE:** February 24, 2015

**TO:** Public Utility Commission

FROM: Stephanie Yamada South THROUGH: Jason Eisdorfer, Bryan Conway, and Bruce Hellebuy

SUBJECT: <u>HILLVIEW WATER</u>: (Advice No. 15-09) Changes certain rates in the Miscellaneous Service Charges tariff.

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## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the tariff sheet filed be allowed to go into effect.

## DISCUSSION:

With this filing, Hillview Water (Hillview) proposes to make changes to six fees listed in its Miscellaneous Service Charges Tariff Sheet No. 6. Hillview is one of seven rate-regulated subsidiaries of Hiland Water Corporation (Hiland).

Hiland states that the reason for the proposed changes is to make certain Miscellaneous Service fees consistent across all Hiland companies. Hiland asserts that consistent treatment across all rate-regulated water companies will greatly ease the administration of these charges.

The proposed changes are summarized below:

			Amount	
	Current	Proposed	of	Percent
Service	Rate	Rate	Change	Change
Connection – Standard <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> inch	\$450.00	At cost	N/A	N/A
Connection – Larger than ¾ inch	\$450.00	At cost	N/A	N/A
Irrigation Hookup	\$450.00	At cost	N/A	N/A
Disconnection Charge	\$30.00	\$35.00	\$5.00	16.67%
Reconnection Charge (normal hours)	\$30.00	\$25.00	\$(5.00)	-16.67%
Disconnect-Visit Charge	\$30.00	\$35.00	\$5.00	16.67%

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Staff has reviewed the proposed fees. The proposed fees are similar to those charged by other rate-regulated water utilities for the same services. Staff believes Hillview's proposed charges are just and reasonable.

This filing was submitted on February 5, 2015, and thus complies with Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 759.220, which requires tariff changes to be filed with the Commission at least 30 days prior to their effective dates.

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This filing will have a negligible effect on annual revenues.

## **PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:**

The Hillview tariff proposed in Advice No. 15-09 be allowed to go into effect.

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