BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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In the Matter of)	
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LONG BUTTE WATER SYSTEM, INC.)	00000
)	ORDER
Application for authorization to increase)	
the company's total annual revenues by)	
\$97,354.00, or 78 percent.)	

DISPOSITION: ADVICE 06-17 APPROVED

On January 23, 2006, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) entered Order No. 06-027, approving revised rates and tariff schedules for Long Butte Water System, Inc. (Long Butte or Company), in this docket. As part of that order, the Commission approved Long Butte's request for a waiver of Oregon Administrative Rule 860-036-0130. The waiver permits the Company to charge a late fee on the 16th day after a bill is mailed rather than after 30 days after mailing as currently set forth in the rule. The change should appear in Rule 22 of the Rules and Regulations in Long Butte's tariff and also in the Company's Schedule No. 2, <u>Miscellaneous Service</u> Charges, Late-Payment Charge.

After Order No. 06-027 was entered, the Public Utility Commission Staff (Staff) discovered that, while Schedule No. 2 had been revised to reflect the waiver approved by the Commission,¹ Rule 22 had not been so revised.² Staff thereupon notified Long Butte of the error.

On February 6, 2006, Long Butte filed Advice 06-17, requesting that paragraph 2 of Rule 22 be revised as follows:

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<u>Late Payment Charge</u> (Rule 22) Charged on the due date of the bill or the 16th date from mailing, whichever is the latest. Pursuant to OAR 860-036-0050 (as of 1/1/05 - 1.7%) but no less than \$3.00

¹ As revised, Schedule No. 2 provides as follows:

² Rule 22 is set forth in Order No. 06-027 at Appendix A, page 18.

Proposed Language (Revisions in Italic):

The late-payment charge determined by the Commission and listed on the Miscellaneous Service Charges Schedule shall be applied to all overdue balances on the due date of the bill or on the 16th date from mailing, whichever is the latest.

Long Butte requests that revision to Rule 22 become effective on February 22, 2006.

Upon review, the Commission finds that the revision to paragraph 2 of Rule 22 in Advice 06-17 corresponds to the waiver of OAR 860-036-0130 authorized in Order No. 06-027, and should be approved.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Advice 06-17 filed by Long Butte Water System, Inc., on February 6, 2006, is approved effective February 22, 2006.

FEB 2 1 2006 Made, entered, and effective John Savage Lee Bever Chairman Commissioner Ray Baum Commissioner

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order pursuant to ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-014-0095. A copy of any such request must also be served on each party to the proceeding as provided by OAR 860-013-0070(2). A party may appeal this order by filing a petition for review with the Court of Appeals in compliance with ORS 183.480-183.484.