

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UW 113

In the Matter of	)	
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METOLIUS MEADOWS PROPERTY	)	
OWNERS ASSN	)	ORDER
	)	
Proposed Tariff for Water Service.	)	
Advice No. 06-8	)	

**DISPOSITION: TARIFF SHEETS SUSPENDED**

On January 24, 2006, METOLIUS MEADOWS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSN filed tariff sheets in Advice No. 06-8 to be effective February 23, 2006. The terms of the proposed tariff sheets are set forth in the Staff Report dated February 14, 2006, attached as the Appendix to this order.


At its February 21, 2006, public meeting, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon found good and sufficient cause exists to investigate the propriety and reasonableness of the tariff sheets pursuant to ORS 757.210 and 757.215. The Commission ordered suspension of the advice pending that investigation.

IT IS ORDERED that Advice No. 06-8 filed by METOLIUS MEADOWS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSN is suspended for a period of time not to exceed six months from February 23, 2006, the effective date of the tariff sheets.

Made, entered, and effective FEB 21 2006.



BY THE COMMISSION:

  
Becky Bejer  
Commission Secretary

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.

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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON  
STAFF REPORT  
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: February 21, 2006**

REGULAR  X  CONSENT \_\_\_\_\_ EFFECTIVE DATE  February 23, 2006

DATE: February 14, 2006

TO: Public Utility Commission

FROM: Renee Sloan *RS*

THROUGH: Lee Sparling, Marc Hellman, and Michael Dougherty *MS*

SUBJECT: METOLIUS MEADOWS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSN: (Docket No. UW 113/Advice No. 06-8) Requests to establish rates resulting in total annual revenues of \$67,600.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Pursuant to ORS 757.215, Staff recommends the proposed tariffs filed with Metolius Meadows Property Owners Assn's (MMPOA or Association) request to establish rates resulting in total annual revenues of \$67,600 be suspended for six months effective February 23, 2006.

**DISCUSSION:**

Metolius Meadows Property Owners Association is located in Camp Sherman, Oregon, and provides water service to 152 customers. The Association provides water service to its membership and to customers who are not members of the association. In Order No. 05-150 entered March 25, 2005, the Commission concluded that MMPOA is a public utility providing water service "to and for" the public. As such, the Association is subject to Commission jurisdiction pursuant to ORS 757.005 and 757.061.

Subsequent to that order, the Commission received petitions from at least 20 percent of MMPOA's customers requesting that the PUC investigate the Association's rates. As a result, the Commission issued Order No. 05-889 on August 3, 2005, asserting financial jurisdiction over MMPOA pursuant to ORS 757.005 and 757.061 and directing MMPOA to file appropriate tariffs pursuant to ORS 757.205.

The Association filed tariffs on January 24, 2006, requesting to establish rates resulting in total annual revenues of \$67,600. The proposed revenues are 52.7 percent more

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than test year (July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005) revenues. In a written notice, MMPOA informed customers that the proposed rates would increase the average residential monthly bill from \$24.28 to \$37.00.

Because this is MMPOA's first rate case, Staff will need to conduct a comprehensive analysis and requests a six-month suspension of the tariffs to allow sufficient time to do so.

**PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:**

Pursuant to ORS 757.215, proposed tariffs filed by Metolius Meadows Property Owners Assn be suspended for six months, effective February 23, 2006.

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