

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

**STAFF CONFERENCE AGENDA
August 17, 2020**

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NO AGENDA ITEMS

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TO: Agenda – Commission Conference – August 17, 2020

FROM: PUBLIC STAFF – North Carolina Utilities Commission

D. ELECTRIC

P1. APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT SOLAR FACILITIES

EXPLANATION: The following applications seek certificates of public convenience and necessity for construction solar photovoltaic electric generating facilities, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-110.1 and Commission Rule R8-64.

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC:

- Docket No. SP-8135, Sub 0 – Application of Quail Holdings, LLC, for an amended certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct a 30-MW solar photovoltaic facility in Davie County, North Carolina (amended registration statement)
- Docket No. SP-8741, Sub 0 – Application of Lick Creek Solar, LLC, for an amended certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct a 50-MW solar photovoltaic facility in Stokes County, North Carolina (registration statement issued previously)
- Docket No. SP-22331, Sub 0 - Application of Hunters Cove Solar, LLC, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct a 50-MW solar photovoltaic facility in Rutherford County, North Carolina

The Public Staff has reviewed the applications and determined that they comply with the requirements of N.C.G.S. § 62-110.1 and Commission Rule R8-64.

Unless otherwise noted, each applicant has filed a registration statement for a new renewable energy facility. The registration statements include certified attestations, as required by Commission Rule R8-66(b), that: (1) the facility is in substantial compliance with all federal and state laws, regulations, and rules for the protection of the environment and conservation of natural resources; (2) the facility will be operated as a new renewable energy facility; (3) the applicant will not remarket or otherwise resell any renewable energy certificates sold to an electric power supplier to comply with N.C.G.S. §. 62-133.8; and (4) the applicant will consent to the auditing of its books and records by the Public Staff insofar as those records relate to transactions with North Carolina electric power suppliers.

The projects associated with the applications plan to be CPRE program participants.

RECOMMENDATION: (Sailor) That the Commission issue orders approving the applications and issuing the requested certificates for these facilities. Proposed orders have been provided to the Commission Staff.

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The Public Staff has reviewed the current rates and recommends that the Applicant be allowed to increase its commodity charge for sewer service by \$0.58 per 1,000 gallons, increasing the rate from \$5.57 to \$6.15 per 1,000 gallons.

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EXHIBIT: A proposed order is attached as [Exhibit No. P-1](#).

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EXHIBIT: A proposed order is attached as [Exhibit No. P-2](#).

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BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of	
Application by Carolina Water Service, Inc. of North Carolina, 4944 Parkway Plaza Boulevard, Suite 375, Charlotte, North Carolina, 28217, for Authority to Amend Its Tariff to Increase Rates for Providing Sewer Utility Service in Its Service Area in Johnston County, North Carolina) ORDER APPROVING) TARIFF REVISION AND) REQUIRING CUSTOMER) NOTICE)

BY THE COMMISSION: On July 13, 2020, Carolina Water Service, Inc. of North Carolina (CWSNC or Applicant), filed a letter with the Commission pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. 62-133.11, requesting authority to amend its tariff for the purpose of passing along to sewer customers in White Oak Plantation, Lee Forest, and Winston Pointe systems in Johnston County an increase in the cost of purchasing sewer service from Johnston County Department of Public Utilities (Johnston County). N.C.G.S. 62-133.11 provides that the Commission shall allow a water or sewer utility to adjust its rates approved pursuant to G.S. 62-133 to reflect changes in its costs based solely on changes in the rates imposed by third-party suppliers of purchased water or sewer service. Johnston County new rates are effective July 1, 2020.

The Public Staff reviewed the current rates and recommended that the Applicant be allowed to increase its commodity charge for sewer service by \$0.58 per 1,000 gallons, increasing the rate from \$5.57 to \$6.15 per 1,000 gallons.

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This matter was presented at the Commission's Regular Staff Conference on August 17, 2020. The Public Staff stated that it had reviewed the Applicant's request and recommended that the tariff revision be approved.

Based upon the foregoing, the Commission is of the opinion that the tariff revision should be approved.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That Carolina Water Service, Inc. of North Carolina is granted a tariff revision for sewer utility service in White Oak Plantation, Lee Forest, and Winston Pointe systems in Johnston County, North Carolina, as set forth herein.
2. That the Schedule of Rates attached as Appendix A is approved and is deemed filed with the Commission pursuant to N.C.G.S. 62-138. This Schedule of Rates shall become effective for service rendered on and after the date of this Order.
3. That a copy of the Notice to Customers attached hereto as Appendix B be mailed with sufficient postage or hand delivered by the Applicant to all its affected customers in White Oak Plantation, Lee Forest, and Winston Pointe systems contemporaneously with the next billing of customers.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the _____ day of _____, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Kimberley A. Campbell, Chief Clerk

SCHEDULE OF RATES

for

CAROLINA WATER SERVICE, INC. OF NORTH CAROLINA

for providing water and sewer utility service

in

ALL OF ITS SERVICE AREAS IN NORTH CAROLINA

(excluding Fairfield Harbour Service Area, Treasure Cove, Register Place Estates, North Hills and Glen Arbor/North Bend Subdivisions, Bradfield Farms, Silverton and Woodland Farms Subdivisions, Larkhaven, Beaver Farms and Hawthorne at the Green Apartments

WATER RATES AND CHARGES

Monthly Metered Service (Residential and Commercial):

Base Facility Charge (based on meter size with zero usage)

< 1" meter	\$ 28.71
1" meter	\$ 71.78
1 1/2" meter	\$ 143.55
2" meter	\$ 229.68
3" meter	\$ 430.65
4" meter	\$ 717.75
6" meter	\$1,435.50

Usage Charge:

Treated Water/1,000 gallons \$ 8.18

Untreated Water/1,000 gallons
(Brandywine Bay Irrigation Water) \$ 4.23

Purchased Water for Resale/1,000 gallons:

<u>Service Area</u>	<u>Bulk Provider</u>		
Carolina Forest	Montgomery County	\$	3.19
High Vista Estates	City of Hendersonville	\$	3.40
Riverbend	Town of Franklin	\$	7.50
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White Oak Plantation/ Lee Forest	Johnston County	\$	2.65
Winston Plantation	Johnston County	\$	2.65
Winston Point	Johnston County	\$	2.65
Woodrun	Montgomery County	\$	3.19
Yorktown	City of Winston Salem	\$	5.79
Zemosa Acres	City of Concord	\$	5.41
Carolina Trace	City of Sanford	\$	2.21

Commercial customers, including condominiums or other property owner associations who bill their members directly, shall have a separate account set up for each meter and each meter shall be billed separately based on the size of the meter and usage associated with the meter.

When because of the method of water line installation utilized by the developer or owner, it is impractical to meter each unit or other structure separately, the following will apply:

Sugar Mountain

Where service to multiple units or other structures is provided through a single meter, the average usage for each unit or structure served by that meter will be calculated. Each unit or structure will be billed based upon that average usage plus the base monthly charge for a <1" meter.

Mount Mitchell

Service will be billed based upon the Commission-approved monthly flat rate.

Monthly Flat Rate Service: (Billed in Arrears) \$ 58.01

Availability Rate: (Semi-Annual)

Applicable only to property owners in Carolina Forest
and Woodrun Subdivisions in Montgomery County \$ 26.90

Availability Rate: (Monthly)

Applicable only to property owners in Linville Ridge
Subdivision \$ 13.50

Availability Rate: (Monthly rate, billed semi-annual)

Applicable only to property owners in Fairfield Sapphire
Valley Service Area \$ 9.95

Availability Rate: (Monthly rate, billed quarterly)

Applicable only to property owners in Connestee Falls \$ 5.25

Meter Testing Fee: ^{1/} \$ 20.00

New Water Customer Charge: \$ 27.00

Reconnection Charge: ^{2/}

If water service is cut off by utility for good cause \$ 42.00

If water service is discontinued at customer's request \$ 42.00

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Management Fee: (in the following subdivisions only)

Wolf Laurel \$150.00

Covington Cross Subdivision (Phases 1 & 2) \$100.00

Oversizing Fee: (in the following subdivision only)

Winghurst \$400.00

Meter Fee:

For <1" meters	\$ 50.00
For meters 1" or larger	Actual Cost

<u>Irrigation Meter Installation:</u>	Actual Cost
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SEWER RATES AND CHARGES

Monthly Metered Service:

Base Facility Charge:

Residential (zero usage)	\$ 58.46
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Commercial (based on meter size with zero usage)

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3" meter	\$ 876.90
4" meter	\$1,461.50
6" meter	\$2,923.00

Usage charge per 1,000 gallons	\$ 4.50
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Monthly Metered Purchased Sewer Service:

Collection Charge (Residential and Commercial)	\$ 40.92
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Usage charge, per 1,000 gallons
(based on purchased water consumption)

<u>Service Area</u>	<u>Bulk Provider</u>		
White Oak Plantation/ Lee Forest/Winston Pt.	Johnston County	\$	6.15
Kings Grant	Two Rivers Utilities	\$	3.98
College Park	Town of Dallas	\$	7.33

Monthly Flat Rate Service: \$ 72.99

Multi-residential customers who are served by a master meter shall be charged the flat rate per unit. \$ 72.99

Mt. Carmel Subdivision Service Area:

Monthly Base Facility Charge \$ 7.29

Monthly Collection Charge
(Residential and Commercial) \$ 40.92

Usage Charge/1,000 gallons
(based on metered water from the water supplier) \$ 6.32

Regalwood and White Oak Estates Subdivision Service Area:

Monthly Flat Rate Sewer Service
Residential Service \$ 72.99
White Oak High School \$2,170.62
Child Castle Daycare \$ 278.27
Pantry \$ 152.58

Fairfield Mountain/Apple Valley (a.k.a. Rumbling Bald) Service Area, Highland Shores Subdivisions and Laurel Mountain Estates

Monthly Sewer Rates:

Residential
Collection charge/dwelling unit \$ 40.92
Treatment charge/dwelling unit \$ 69.50
Total monthly flat rate/dwelling unit \$ 110.42

Commercial and Other:

Minimum monthly collection and treatment charge	\$ 110.42
Monthly collection and treatment charge for customers Who do not take water service	\$ 110.42
Treatment charge per dwelling unit	
Small (less than 2,500 gallons per month)	\$ 78.50
Medium (2,500 to 10,000 gallons per month)	\$ 139.50
Large (over 10,000 gallons per month)	\$ 219.50
Collection Charge (per 1,000 gallons)	\$ 13.93

The Ridges at Mountain Harbour:

Monthly Sewer Rates:

Collection charge (Residential and Commercial)	\$ 40.92
Treatment charge (Residential and Commercial)	
< 1" meter	\$ 18.42
2" meter	\$ 147.36

Availability Rate: (Monthly rate, billed semi-annually)

Applicable only to property owners in Fairfield Sapphire Valley Service Area	\$ 10.10
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Availability Rate: (Monthly rate, billed quarterly)

Applicable only to property owners in Connestee Falls	\$ 5.70
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New Sewer Customer Charge: ^{4/} \$ 27.00

Reconnection Charge: ^{5/}

If sewer service is cut off by utility for good cause: Actual Cost

MISCELLANEOUS UTILITY MATTERS

<u>Charge for processing NSF Checks:</u>	\$ 25.00
<u>Bills Due:</u>	On billing date
<u>Bills Past Due:</u>	21 days after billing date
<u>Billing Frequency:</u>	Bills shall be rendered monthly in all service areas, except for Mt. Carmel, which will be billed bimonthly. Availability rates will be billed quarterly in advance for Connestee Falls, semi-annually in advance for Carolina Forest, Woodrun, and Fairfield Sapphire Valley, and monthly for Linville Ridge.
<u>Finance Charge for Late Payment:</u>	1% per month will be applied to the unpaid balance of all bills still past due 25 days after billing date.

Notes:

^{1/} If a customer requests a test of a water meter more frequently than once in a 24-month period, the Company will collect a \$20.00 service charge to defray the cost of the test. If the meter is found to register in excess of the prescribed accuracy limits, the meter testing charge will be waived. If the meter is found to register accurately or below prescribed accuracy limits, the charge shall be retained by the Company. Regardless of the test results, customers may request a meter test once in a 24-month period without charge.

^{2/} Customers who request to be reconnected within nine months of disconnection at the same address shall be charged the base facility charge for the service period they were disconnected.

^{3/} The utility shall itemize the estimated cost of disconnecting and reconnecting service and shall furnish this estimate to customer with cut-off notice.

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APPENDIX B

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**NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS
DOCKET NO. W-354, SUB 372
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Notice is given that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has granted Carolina Water Service Inc. of North Carolina (Applicant), an increase in its sewer commodity charge to customers in White Oak Plantation, Lee Forest, and Winston Pointe systems in Johnston County, North Carolina.

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<u>Bills Due:</u>	On billing date
<u>Bills Past Due:</u>	21 days after billing date
<u>Billing Frequency:</u>	Bills shall be rendered monthly in all service areas, except for Mt. Carmel, which will be billed bimonthly. Availability rates will be billed quarterly in advance for Connestee Falls, semi-annually in advance for Carolina Forest, Woodrun, and Fairfield Sapphire Valley, and monthly for Linville Ridge.
<u>Finance Charge for Late Payment:</u>	1% per month will be applied to the unpaid balance of all bills still past due 25 days after billing date.

Notes:

^{1/} If a customer requests a test of a water meter more frequently than once in a 24-month period, the Company will collect a \$20.00 service charge to defray the cost of the test. If the meter is found to register in excess of the prescribed accuracy limits, the meter testing charge will be waived. If the meter is found to register accurately or below prescribed accuracy limits, the charge shall be retained by the Company. Regardless of the test results, customers may request a meter test once in a 24-month period without charge.

^{2/} Customers who request to be reconnected within nine months of disconnection at the same address shall be charged the base facility charge for the service period they were disconnected.

^{3/} The utility shall itemize the estimated cost of disconnecting and reconnecting service and shall furnish this estimate to customer with cut-off notice.

^{4/} This charge shall be waived if customer is also a water customer within the same service area.

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^{5/} The utility shall itemize the estimated cost of disconnecting and reconnecting service and shall furnish this estimate to customer with cut-off notice. This charge will be waived if customer also receives water service from Carolina Water Service within the same service area. Customers who request to be reconnected within nine months of disconnection at the same address shall be charged the base facility charge for the service period they were disconnected.

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH**

**NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS
DOCKET NO. W-354, SUB 374
BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION**

Notice is given that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has granted Carolina Water Service Inc. of North Carolina (Applicant), an increase in its water usage charge to customers in Riverpointe service area in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

The Applicant filed a letter with the Commission pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. 62-133.11, requesting authority to amend its tariff for the purpose of passing along to water customers in its Riverpointe service area in Mecklenburg County an increase in the cost of purchasing water service from Charlotte Water. N.C.G.S. 62-133.11 provides that the Commission shall allow a water or sewer utility to adjust its rates approved pursuant to N.C.G.S. 62-133 to reflect changes in its costs based solely on changes in the rates imposed by third-party suppliers of purchased water or sewer service.

The Public Staff reviewed the current rates and recommended that the Applicant be allowed to increase its usage charge for water service by \$0.26 per 1,000 gallons, increasing the rate from \$6.48 to \$6.74 per 1,000 gallons.

The new rates will increase the average residential monthly bill from \$70.26 to \$71.92 based on an average usage of 6,380 gallons.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the ____ day of _____, 2020.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Kimberley A. Campbell, Chief Clerk

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