

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON
STAFF REPORT
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: January 22, 2008**

REGULAR _____ CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE February 11, 2008

DATE: January 9, 2008

TO: Public Utility Commission

FROM: Renee Sloan

THROUGH: Lee Sparling, Marc Hellman, and Michael Dougherty

SUBJECT: LAKESHORE WATER DISTRICT: (Advice No. 08-4) Introduces a new tariff book, PUC OR No. 3, and makes changes to Schedule No. 4, Miscellaneous Service Charges.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Pursuant to ORS 757.205, Staff recommends approval of the proposed changes to Lakeshore Water District's (Lakeshore) current tariffs, as submitted and amended by Lakeshore in Advice Filing 08-4, to be effective February 11, 2008.

DISCUSSION:

On January 3, 2008, Lakeshore filed Advice No. 08-4 proposing to replace its current tariff sheets, PUC Oregon No. 2, Pages 1 - 18, with revised tariff sheets, PUC Oregon No. 3, Original Sheets 1 – 22, effective January 1, 2008.

On February 8, 2008, Lakeshore filed PUC Oregon No. 3, Original Sheets 1 – 20 to replace the all pages filed on January 3, 2008, and requested an extension of the effective date from January 1, 2008, to February 11, 2008. The proposed changes reformat the tariffs, renumber the pages, correct schedule numbers, update the company name and address, and update the Company's rules and regulations.

Housekeeping changes

Lakeshore Water District (fka Marina Water Company) was a rate-regulated water utility when it was purchased by Lakeshore in 2000 (UP 191, Order No. 01-1040). Lakeshore has not filed a rate case since the purchase of Marina. Therefore, the Company's tariffs still show Marina Water Company as the company name and contain the address of the previous owners. This filing proposes to update the company name on all tariff sheets and to update the mailing address on Original Sheet No. 1.

Lakeshore also proposes to update the Company's rules and regulations to 1) reflect the Company's name change in Rule 2; 2) change the method of refunding customer deposits in Rule 4 from crediting the customer's account to issuing the customer a refund check; and 3) bring the Company's rules and regulations current with the Commission's format for rate-regulated water utility rules and regulations.

Tariffs approved in Order No. 99-016 contain schedules for Residential Flat Rates (Schedule No. 2) and Commercial/Industrial Metered Rates (Schedule No. 3) that do not apply to any customers served by the Company. The schedules have no associated rates and the Company proposes to remove them from its tariffs.

With the deletion of the current Schedules No. 2 and No. 3, Lakeshore proposes that the Miscellaneous Service Charges tariff (current Schedule No. 4), be renumbered as Schedule No. 2.

Miscellaneous Service Charges (new Schedule No. 2)

Except for the Connection Charge for New Service and the interest rates for Deposit for Service and Late-Payment Charge, the Company's Miscellaneous Service Charges have remained the same since they were approved in Order No. 99-016. Because of the increased cost to perform the miscellaneous services, Lakeshore proposes the following rate changes:

<u>Miscellaneous Service</u>	<u>Current Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
Trouble-Call Charge		
During normal office hours	\$15 per hour	\$40 per hour
After normal office hours on special request	\$30 per hour	\$60 per hour
Reconnection Charge		
During normal office hours	\$15	\$40
After normal office hours on special request	\$30	\$60
Field Visit Charge	\$10	\$25

Staff has reviewed Lakeshore's proposed tariff changes and finds they reflect similar charges of other rate-regulated water companies. The revised tariffs are fair and reasonable, and are in compliance with the Commission's water rules.

PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

Pursuant to ORS 757.205, Lakeshore Water District's proposed tariffs contained in, PUC Oregon No. 3, Original Sheets 1 through 20, be approved with an effective date of February 11, 2008.