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10038/09-W-0731

PSC Seeks Public Comment on United Water's Rate Proposal

Albany, NY—04/19/10—The New York Public Service Commission will hold a public statement hearing concerning a proposal by United Water New York, Inc. to increase water service rates. The Company has proposed to increase annual base revenue by \$17.8 million (31.2%). Taking into account existing surcharge amounts, customer bills would increase by \$14.4 million (23.9%). The Commission may grant, deny or modify any portion of the Company's rate proposal.

A public statement hearing will be held as follows:

THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2010

Ramapo Town Hall
237 Route 59
Suffern, NY

7:00 p.m.

The public will have an opportunity to present their statements and comments about the water company and the proposed rate increase at the hearing before the Administrative Law Judge assigned by the Commission to this case. To speak at the hearing, it is not necessary to make an appointment in advance or present written material. Persons will be called to speak after completing a request card. All comments at the hearings will be transcribed and become part of the Commission's formal record. The hearing session will remain open and continue for those wishing to speak, or other reasonable arrangements will be made in the event of numerous speakers.

The public may also participate in the hearing by telephoning (845) 357-5100 or by viewing the broadcast of the hearing at the Town's internet site www.ramapo.org. The hearing will also be broadcast on the Town's Cablevision and Verizon systems.

Disabled persons requiring any special accommodations should contact the Department of Public Service's Human Resource Management Office at (518) 474-2520 as soon as possible.

Other Ways to Comment

Writing: Those who cannot attend or prefer not to speak at a public statement hearing may comment by writing to Hon. Jaclyn A. Brillling, Secretary, Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350. Your comment should refer to "Case 09-W-0731 United Water New York Rates."

Toll-Free Opinion Line: You may call the Commission's Opinion Line at 1-800-335-2120. This number is set up to take comments about pending cases from in-state callers, 24 hours a day. Callers should select English or Spanish and press "1" to leave comments.

Internet: Comments may also be made via the "PSC Comment Form," in the "Consumer Assistance" file accessed through the Commission's Web site at <http://www.dps.state.ny.us>.

All comments by these alternative methods should be submitted, or mailed and postmarked, no later than May 15, 2010. All such statements and comments will become part of the record, be made available for inspection in the Commission's file room and be reported to the Commission for its consideration.