



March 26, 2018

**Via Electronic Filing**

Ms. Mary Becerra  
Secretary of the Commission  
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission  
101 West Washington Street  
Suite 1500 East  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

***RE: Aqua Indiana, Inc.'s 30-Day Filing Pursuant to 170 IAC 1-6-1 et seq.  
Cause No. 45032  
Wedgewood Park Division***

Dear Ms. Becerra:

Pursuant to and necessitated by the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission's (the "Commission") February 16, 2018 Order in Cause No. 45032, Aqua Indiana, Inc. ("Aqua Indiana" or the "Company") hereby submits for Commission approval proposed tariff sheets ("Proposed Tariff Sheets") reflecting the tax rate applicable to Aqua Indiana's Wedgewood Park Division as a result of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 (the "Act"). As set forth in the Commission's February 16, 2018 Order, pursuant to 170 IAC 1-6-3(8), this submission is being made in accordance with 170 IAC 1-6, the Commission's Thirty-Day Administrative Filing Procedures and Guidelines Rule.

The purpose of Aqua Indiana's filing is to request Commission approval of the preservation of the schedule of rates and charges set forth on the Proposed Tariff Sheets attached hereto as Exhibit 1 to its Wedgewood Park Division. The current schedule of rates and charges for the Wedgewood Park Division are based upon a federal income tax rate of less than 21%. Although the application of a 21% federal income tax rate would justify a rate increase, Aqua Indiana has determined to not seek such a rate increase in this proceeding.

Also pursuant the Commission's February 16, 2018 Order in Cause No. 45032, Aqua Indiana's Wedgewood Park Division requests Commission approval the cost option set forth in 170 IAC 6-1.5-33(a)(2). Aqua Indiana intends to treat the federal income tax associated with a main extension incurred by it as investment in plant, booking 100% of it as a deferred tax asset.

In support of this filing, Aqua Indiana is submitting Exhibit 1 referenced above. A verified statement by Aqua Indiana affirming that customers have been notified as required by 170 IAC 1-6-5(a)(5), stating in detail the means used for notification, and copies of any written



means of communication are attached hereto as Exhibit 2. By copy of this letter, the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor is being provided with a copy of this filing.

In accordance with 170 IAC 1-6-5(a)(2), contact information for the utility regarding this filing is as follows:

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Please let me know if the Commission Staff has any questions or concerns about this submission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bobby D. Estep".

Bobby D. Estep  
Controller  
Aqua Indiana, Inc.

Encl.

cc: (w/ encl. – via email transmission)  
Daniel M. LeVay, Office of Utility Consumer Counselor  
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# Exhibit 1

**SCHEDULE OF WATER RATES AND CHARGES - W-3**

Applicability: Applicable to current and future customers receiving water utility service from system operated by Aqua Indiana, Inc. and previously operated by Wedgewood Park Water Company, Inc. in St. Joseph County, Indiana.

**(A) GENERAL SERVICE METERED RATES**

For use of and service rendered by Aqua Indiana, Inc., based upon the use of water supplied by said utility:

<u>Metered Rates Per Month</u>	<u>Per Hundred Cubic Feet</u>
First 750 cubic feet per month	\$4.66
Next 1,250 cubic feet per month	2.69
Over 2,000 cubic feet per month	2.24

Meter User Minimum Schedule (Retail Customers)

Each user shall pay a minimum charge in accordance with the following applicable size of meter installed, for which the user will be entitled to the quantity of water set out in the above schedule of rates:

<u>Minimum Charge Per Month</u>	<u>Cubic Feet Allowed In Minimum</u>	<u>Minimum Monthly Charge</u>
5/8 or 3/4 inch meter	600	\$27.96
1 or 1 1/4 inch meter	2,400	77.54
1 1/2 inch meter	3,000	90.98
2 inch meter	4,800	131.30
3 inch meter	9,000	225.38

**(B) FORFEITED DISCOUNTS**

All bills for water service not paid within ten (10) days after the bill is mailed shall be subject to a late payment charge of ten (10) percent of the first three (3) dollars and three (3) percent of the excess of three (3) dollars.

**(C) TAPPING FEES**

A tap charge will be collected from each customer, prior to connection to the water system. This charge shall be \$150.00 for a 5/8 inch connection. For larger size connections, the charge shall be an amount sufficient to the utility for labor, material and overhead necessary for tapping the main, installation of service from the main to the property line (including the curb stop) and the cost of furnishing and installing a suitable water meter. In no event shall the charge for such connection be less than \$150.00.

# Exhibit 2

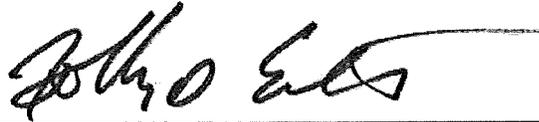
**VERIFIED STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF 30-DAY FILING**

TO THE INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

- Aqua Indiana, Inc. (“Aqua Indiana”) is requesting Commission approval of proposed tariff sheets for its Wedgewood Park Division in St. Joseph County, Indiana. Notice has been provided to affected customers in accordance with 170 IAC 1-6-6.
- Specifically, beginning on March 23, 2018, and continuing through the filing date, a Legal Notice was posted on Aqua Indiana’s website at <https://www.aquaamerica.com/our-states/indiana.aspx>. Aqua Indiana has no local customer service office in or around St. Joseph, Indiana.
- A Legal Notice was also published in the South Bend Tribune on March 23, 2018.
- A copy of the above-referenced legal notice is attached as Exhibit A.

I affirm under penalties for perjury that the foregoing representations are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Dated this 23 day of March, 2018.



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Bobby D. Estep, Controller  
Aqua Indiana, Inc.

# Exhibit A

**Aqua Indiana, Inc. Wedgewood Park Division**  
**Legal Notice of 30-Day Filing**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that on or about March 26, 2018, Aqua Indiana, Inc. (“Aqua Indiana” or the “Company”) will submit a proposed Schedule of Rates and Charges to the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (“Commission”) for approval under its 30-Day Filing procedures, 170 IAC 1-6-1, *et seq.* The referenced filing will affect only those Aqua Indiana customers in its Wedgewood Park Division located in St. Joseph County, Indiana. The Company will seek Commission approval of a preservation of its rates and charges for water service to reflect the impact of the change in the federal income tax rate.

A copy of the proposed Schedule of Rates and Charges will be on file with the Commission on or about March 26, 2018. A decision on the 30-Day Filing is anticipated at least thirty days after March 26, 2018. Any objection to the filing should be directed to (a) the Secretary of the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission, PNC Center, 101 West Washington Street, Suite 1500 East, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 or (b) the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor, PNC Center, 115 West Washington Street, Suite 1500 South, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.