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15 APPLICATION OF CLEAR SPRINGS  
16 UTILITY CO., INC., FOR AN INCREASE  
17 IN RATES

Docket No. WS01689A-11-0402

**FILING OF PUBLIC NOTICES**

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19 Clear Springs Utility Co., Inc. ("Company" or "Applicant"), hereby files the  
20 Affidavit of Publication (*see* Attachment 1) and Affidavit of Mailing (*see* Attachment 2).

21 Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2012.

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23 **MOYES SELLERS & HENDRICKS LTD.**

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1 Original and 13 copies of the foregoing  
2 filed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2012 with:

3 Docket Control  
4 Arizona Corporation Commission  
5 1200 West Washington  
6 Phoenix, Arizona 85007

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# **ATTACHMENT 1**



**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE RATE APPLICATION OF CLEAR SPRINGS UTILITY CO., INC. DOCKET No. WS-01689A-11-0402**

On November 3, 2011, Clear Springs Utility Co., Inc. ("Clear Springs" or Company") filed an application with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") for an increase in annual revenues for its Water Division of \$98,423, or 58.5 percent over last year revenues. The Company is not requesting an overall revenue increase for its Sewer Division, but is requesting a change to the rate design.

Under the rates as proposed by the Company for its Water Division, a residential customer with a 5/8 x 3/4" meter, with an average monthly usage of 5,150 gallons, would see a monthly increase of \$9.91, or 50.6 percent, from \$19.59 to \$29.50. The median user of 3,318 gallons would see an increase of \$7.16, or 46.3 percent, from \$15.46 to \$22.63 per month under the Company's proposal. A customer's water bill depends on meter size and how much water is used each month. A customer with a larger meter and/or using less or more than

the average would experience a smaller or larger increase.

For its Sewer Division, the Company is requesting to increase the monthly minimum charge from \$6.50 to \$9.00 for residential customers and from \$6.50 to \$9.36 for commercial customers. The commodity rate is currently \$0.85 per thousand gallons of water used. The Company is proposing to keep the commodity charge unchanged, but including the first 6,000 gallons of water usage in the monthly minimum. Under the Company's proposal, the average residential sewer customer, with usage of 4,720 gallons a month, would see a decrease of \$1.51 a month, and the median user of 3,226 gallons, would see a slight decrease of \$0.24 per month. The actual bill impact will depend on the amount of water used.

If you have any questions concerning how the Company's rate proposal will affect your bill or have other substantive questions about this application, you may contact the Company at: **Clear Springs Utility Company, Inc., PO Box 85160, Tucson, AZ 85754, 520-623-5172 or (800)-315-5333 (Arizona only); or Paul Juhl,**

**Office Manager by E-mail at [public@csu-westernutility.com](mailto:public@csu-westernutility.com)**

The Commission's Utilities Division Staff has not yet made a recommendation regarding the Company's rate proposal, and the Commission will determine the appropriate rate relief to be granted based on the evidence of record in this proceeding. The Commission is not bound by the proposals made by the Company, Staff, or any intervenor and, therefore, the final rates approved in this docket may be lower or higher than the rates described above.

**DOCKET No. WS-01689A-11-0402**

**How You Can View or Obtain a Copy of the Rate Proposal**

Copies of the application and proposed tariffs are available at the Company's offices: **2015 N. Forbes Blvd., Ste. 107, Tucson, AZ 85745** and at the Commission's Docket Control Center at 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona and its Tucson offices: **400 West Congress, Suite 218, Tucson, Arizona**, and on the Internet via the Commission website (<http://www.azcc.gov/>) using the e-docket function.

**Public Hearing Information**

The Commission will hold a hearing on this matter beginning **August 6, 2012, at 10:00 a.m.**, at the Commission's offices, Room 222, 400 West Congress, Tucson, Arizona 85701. Public comments will be taken at the beginning of the hearing. Written public comments may be submitted by mailing a letter referencing Docket No. WS-01689A-11-0402 to Arizona Corporation Commission, Consumer Services Section, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, AZ 85007, or by email. For a form to use and instructions on how to e-mail comments to the Commission, go to <http://www.azcc.gov/divisions/utilities/forms/PublicCommentForm.pdf>, if you

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1. Your name, address, and telephone number and the name, address and telephone number of any party upon whom service of documents is to be made, if not yourself.  
2. A short statement of your interest in the proceeding (e.g., a customer of the Company, etc.).  
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about requesting intervention, visit the Commission's website at <http://www.azcc.gov/divisions/utilities/forms/Interven.pdf>. The granting of intervention, among other things, entitles a party to present sworn evidence at the hearing and to cross-examine other witnesses. However, failure to intervene will not preclude any interested person or entity from appearing at the hearing and providing public comment on the application or from filing written comments in the record of the case.

**ADA/Equal Access Information**

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# **ATTACHMENT 2**

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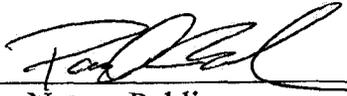
I, the undersigned, after being first duly sworn upon my oath, hereby affirm as follow:

- 1) I am over the age of eighteen.
- 2) I have personal knowledge of the statements set forth herein and I am competent to testify at a hearing or trial with respect to the same.
- 3) I certify that on behalf of Clear Springs Utility Company, Inc. ("Company"), on March 20, 2012, I mailed, or caused to be mailed, to each Company customer a copy of the notice of filing of the application for an increase in rates, a copy of which is attached hereto.

DATED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2012.

  
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Bonnie O'Connor

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me, a Notary Public, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2012.

  
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Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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