

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE  
RATE APPLICATION OF FARMERS WATER CO. FOR A RATE INCREASE  
(DOCKET NO. W-01654A-18-0083)**

**Summary**

On July 5, 2018, Farmers Water Co. (“Farmers” or “Company”) filed an application with the Arizona Corporation Commission (“Commission”), in Docket No. W-01654A-18-0083, for a determination of the current fair value of its utility plant and property and for increases in its rates and charges for utility service.

Farmers requests authorization to increase its water rates to generate total revenues of \$1,296,532. This would constitute an increase in revenues of \$219,403, or 20.37 percent over test year revenues of \$1,077,129. If the Company’s request is granted as proposed, the average monthly bill for a residential customer with a 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter using 5,397 gallons would increase \$4.03, or 23.58 percent, from \$17.10 to \$21.14. The increase will vary between customer classes and among individual customers within a class depending on usage. For information about how the Company’s revenue increase would affect your individual bill, you may contact Farmers Customer Service at (520) 879-7474 or by email at info@FarmersWaterCo.com.

The Commission’s Utilities Division (“Staff”) is in the process of auditing and analyzing the application, and has not yet made any recommendations regarding Farmers’ proposed rate increase. The Commission will determine the appropriate relief to be granted based on the evidence of record in the proceeding. **THE COMMISSION IS NOT BOUND BY THE PROPOSALS MADE BY FARMERS, STAFF, OR ANY INTERVENORS; THEREFORE, THE FINAL RATES APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION MAY DIFFER FROM AND MAY BE HIGHER OR LOWER THAN THE RATES REQUESTED BY FARMERS OR RECOMMENDED BY OTHER PARTIES.**

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

Copies of the application and proposed rates are available from Farmers at 1525 E. Sahuarita Road or [www.farmerswaterco.com](http://www.farmerswaterco.com) and at the Commission’s Docket Control Center at 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona, or the Commission’s Tucson Office at 400 W. Congress, Room 218, Tucson, Arizona for public inspection during regular business hours, and on the Internet via the Commission’s website ([www.azcc.gov](http://www.azcc.gov)) using the e-Docket function.

**Arizona Corporation Commission Public Hearing Information**

The Commission will hold a hearing on these matters beginning **February 20, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.**, at the Commission’s offices, Hearing Room No. 222, 400 West Congress, Tucson, Arizona 85701. Public comments will be taken on the first day of hearing.

Written public comments may be submitted by mailing a letter referencing Docket No. **W-01654A-18-0083** to Arizona Corporation Commission, Consumer Services Section, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007, or by submitting comments on the Commission’s website ([www.azcc.gov](http://www.azcc.gov)) using the “I Want To” and “Submit a Public Comment” function. If you require assistance, you may contact the Consumer Services Section at 602-542-4251 or 1-800-222-7000.

**About Intervention**

The law provides for an open public hearing at which, under appropriate circumstances, interested persons may intervene. An interested person may be granted intervention if the outcome of the case will directly and substantially impact the person, and the person’s intervention will not unduly broaden the issues in the case. Intervention, among other things, entitles a party to present sworn evidence at hearing and to cross-examine other parties’ 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 this case.

To request intervention, you must file **an original and 13 hard copies** of a written request to intervene with Docket Control, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007, **no later than December 14, 2018**. You also **must** serve a copy of the request to intervene on each party of record, on the same day that you file the request to intervene with the Commission. Information about intervention and sample intervention requests are available on the Commission's website ([www.azcc.gov](http://www.azcc.gov)) using the "I Want To" and "Intervene in a Utility Case" link.

Your request to intervene must contain the following:

1. Your name, address and telephone number and the name, address, and telephone number of any person upon whom service of documents is to be made, if not yourself;
2. A reference to **Docket No. W-01654A-18-0083**;
3. A short statement of your interest in the proceeding (e.g., a customer or potential customer of Farmers, a member or shareholder of Farmers, etc.) and how you will be directly and substantially affected by the outcome of the case, and why your intervention will not unduly broaden the issues in the case;
4. A statement certifying that a copy of the motion to intervene has been mailed to Farmers or its counsel and to all parties of record in the case; and
5. If you are not represented by an attorney who is an active member of the Arizona State Bar, and is not an individual representing themselves, information and any appropriate documentation demonstrating compliance with Arizona Supreme Court Rules 31, 38, 39, and 42, as applicable.

The granting of motions to intervene shall be governed by A.A.C. R14-3-105, except that all motions to intervene must be filed on or before **December 14, 2018**. If representation by counsel is required by Arizona Supreme Court Rule 31, intervention will be conditioned upon the intervenor obtaining counsel to represent the intervenor.

#### **ADA/Equal Access Information**

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