
News Release

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YORK WATER COMPANY FILES A RATE REQUEST

Proposes first general rate increase in 5 years.
Includes \$77 million capital investment in York and Adams Counties.
Average water cost still 1 penny per gallon.

York, Pennsylvania, May 30, 2018: The York Water Company (NASDAQ:YORW) on May 30, 2018 asked the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PPUC) for a general increase in base water rates of \$6.4 million per year, or an overall 13.1% increase, and a general increase in base wastewater rates of \$288,623 per year, or a 25% increase. If granted immediately, the rate increase would be effective August 1, 2018. The PUC may delay the effective date until March 2019, and after an investigation, grant all, some, or none of the request. As a result, the final effect on water and wastewater bills may be different than the Company's request. The request may also be reviewed by the Office of Consumer Advocate and the Office of Small Business Advocate.

The Company's filing with the PUC also requests to combine in part, the revenue requirement for the Company's wastewater operations with the Company's water operations as authorized by legislation enacted in 2012.

If the increase were granted in its entirety, the typical residential water customer would pay an additional \$4.30 per month (14 cents per day), the typical commercial water customer would pay an additional \$15.59 per month (52 cents per day), the typical industrial water customer would pay an additional \$125.61 per month (\$4.19 per day).

For our wastewater customers: an Asbury Pointe Subdivision wastewater customer would pay an additional \$12.50 per month (42 cents per day), a typical East Prospect and Lower Windsor Area residential wastewater customer would pay an additional \$12.94 per month (43 cents per day), a typical East Prospect and Lower Windsor Area commercial wastewater customer would pay an additional \$16.04 per month (53 cents per day), a typical West York Borough residential wastewater customer would pay an additional \$6.54 per month per dwelling unit (22 cents per day) and a typical West York Borough commercial and industrial customer would pay an additional \$8.09 per month per dwelling unit (27 cents per day).

Jeffrey R. Hines, President and CEO of York Water, said the increase is necessary due to approximately \$77 million in capital investments that the Company has made since its 2013 rate filing and will make through February of 2020. The capital investments are necessary to: reinforce, replace, and reline aging water mains; replace service lines, meters, and hydrants; construct an untreated water pumping station on Lake Redman to increase security, reduce costs, and provide redundancy in case of emergencies; increase water quality and operational efficiency through upgrades to facilities and equipment; expansion and improvements of the water and wastewater treatment plants and other facilities to better meet current and upcoming regulations; and for replacements and upgrades of other infrastructure, including York Water's water supply dams.

Hines said: "Costs to be recovered in this rate filing include replacement costs for over 40 miles of aging pipeline, about 4% of our total pipe, which extends the life of our infrastructure, reduces costs associated with main breaks and leaks, and provides improved customer service and reliability. In addition to these capital investments, we are also seeking to recover increased costs such as personnel expenses, depreciation, and increases in normal operations and maintenance expenses. York Water remains one of the most efficient water utilities in the nation, continuing to reduce or eliminate various expenses since its last rate case, including reduction in income taxes from the 2017 Tax Act and tax repair deductions. This has helped to offset and delay this proposed increase in rates."

More details regarding this proposed increase are being mailed to customers together with their water bill. In addition, customers can contact the Company at 1-800-750-5561 or www.yorkwater.com for more information.

The York Water Company is the oldest investor-owned utility in the United States serving approximately 198,000 people in 48 municipalities in York and Adams Counties.

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