



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF PUBLIC HEARING

D.P.U. 17-107

August 11, 2017

Petition of Milford Water Company, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, §94, and G.L. c. 165, §2, for Approval of a General Rate Increase as set forth in M.D.P.U. No. 23 and M.D.P.U. No. 24.

On June 15, 2017, Milford Water Company (“Company”) filed a petition with the Department of Public Utilities (“Department”) for a general rate increase. The Department suspended the effective date of the proposed rate increase until May 1, 2018, to investigate the propriety of the Company’s request. On July 25, 2017, the Department issued a Notice of Filing (“Notice”) and Order of Notice, setting a public hearing date of September 5, 2017. The Department’s Notice also established deadlines to submit comments or file a petition to intervene in this matter.

On August 7, 2017, the Company filed a request that the Department suspend the procedural schedule and hold this matter in abeyance for one month. As part of its request the Company proposes to toll the rate suspension period for one month. On August 8, 2017, the Attorney General filed an objection. On August 10, 2017, the Company filed a response and clarification of the Company’s request.

In order to provide adequate time for consideration of the abeyance request, and in light of the publication requirements applicable to the Notice,¹ the Department will postpone the public hearing, previously scheduled for September 5, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at Milford Town Hall, 52 Main Street, Milford, Massachusetts regarding the petition of MWC for a general rate increase. Subsequent to a decision on the abeyance, the Department will issue a Notice to reschedule the public hearing and establish additional deadlines to submit comments or petitions to intervene. In the meantime, individuals may continue to file notices of intervention and comments.

The Company shall provide notice of this postponement to anyone the Company previously served or otherwise notified of the public hearing. Such notice must be provided in the same manner as the original notice.

¹ See 220 CMR 5.06(3).