

**ORDER NO. 87594**

IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST	*	BEFORE THE
OF THE SEVERN WATER COMPANY	*	PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
FOR A SIMPLIFIED WATER RATE	*	OF MARYLAND
ADJUSTMENT PROCEEDING	*	
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	*	CASE NO. 9419
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**Issue Date: June 7, 2016**

On June 2, 2016, pursuant to Maryland Public Service Commission (“Commission”) Policy No. 14, the Severn Water Company (“Severn” or “Company”) filed an application with the Commission for a simplified water rate adjustment proceeding. Included in its application were schedules that support the proposed rates, an income statement and calculation of a test year rate base, a computation of its cost of capital, proposed tariffs, and an agreement of stipulation and settlement executed by Severn, the Commission’s Technical Staff and the Maryland Office of People’s Counsel. The proposed rates are designed to produce additional annual revenues of \$81, 959.

Pursuant to Public Utilities Article §4-204, *Annotated Code of Maryland*, the Commission concludes that the proposed rates should be suspended for a period of not more than 150 days from July 2, 2016. The suspension period is necessary to provide the Commission with an opportunity to determine the justness and reasonableness of the proposal.

**IT IS THEREFORE**, this 7th day of June, in the year Two Thousand Sixteen by

the Public Service Commission of Maryland,

**ORDERED:** (1) That the proposed rates filed by Severn Water Company on June 2, 2016 are suspended for a period of not more than 150 days from July 2, 2016;

(2) That proceedings as to the justness and reasonableness of the proposed rates are instituted by the Commission; and

(3) That pursuant to Commission Policy No. 14, this matter is hereby delegated to the Public Utility Law Judge Division.

By Direction of the Commission,

David J. Collins  
Executive Secretary