

BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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In the Matter of the Application of Suburban Water, Inc., )  
d/b/a Suburban Water Company, for Approval of the )  
Commission to Make Certain Changes in its Rates for )  
Water Service, for Approval of an Amendment to a )  
Contract for Sale of Water with Board of Public Utilities, )  
an administrative agency of the Unified Government of )  
Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas("BPU"), and for )  
Approval of a Purchase Water Adjustment ("PWA") )  
Tariff )

by  
State Corporation Commission  
of Kansas

Docket No. 12-SUBW-359-RTS

**AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION**

STATE OF KANSAS, COUNTY OF LEAVENWORTH, ss:

I, Mike Breuer, of lawful age, being first duly sworn on oath, state:

That I am Treasurer for Suburban Water, Inc., d/b/a Suburban Water Company.

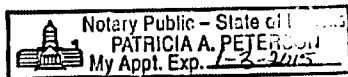
That the Notice of Public Hearing and Public Comment Period Concerning Water Service Rate Increase Request, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A", has been published in the following newspapers informing Suburban Water's customers of its request for an increase in its water rates, the public comment period and the public hearing set for February ~~12~~<sub>21</sub>, 2012:

**Basehor Sentinel, Tonganoxie Mirror, Bonner Springs Chieftain**

Further affiant saith naught.

Mike Breuer  
Mike Breuer

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012.



Patricia A. Petersen  
Notary Public

Appointment/Commission Expires:

# Affidavit in Proof of Publication

STATE OF KANSAS  
Leavenworth County

(First published In The Mirror, Wednesday, February 8, 2012)

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD  
CONCERNING WATER SERVICE RATE INCREASE REQUEST**

Erika Gray of the Legal Dept. of the Tonganoxie Mirror being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

Suburban Water, Inc., d/b/a Suburban Water Company (Suburban Water), has filed an application with the Kansas Corporation Commission (Commission) requesting a \$296,280 increase in rates for water service representing an annual revenue increase of approximately 28.1%. A customer using 7,000 gallons per month will see its monthly bill increase by \$19.15.

That this weekly newspaper printed in the State of Kansas, and published in and of general circulation in Leavenworth County, Kansas, with a general paid circulation on a weekly basis in Leavenworth County, Kansas, and that said newspaper is not a trade, religious or fraternal publication, and which newspaper has been admitted to the mails as periodicals class matter in said County, and that a notice of which is hereto attached, was published in the regular and entire issue of the Tonganoxie Mirror

Suburban Water is a privately-owned water public utility serving approximately 1,530 residential and small commercial customers in Leavenworth County, Kansas, with offices located at 1216 N. 155th Street, Basehor, Kansas.

Said newspaper is published weekly 52 weeks a year; has been so published continuously and uninterruptedly in said county and state for a period of more than five years prior to the first publication of said notice and been admitted at the post office of Tonganoxie in said County as second class matter.

In its application, Suburban Water stated the \$296,280 increase is necessary to recover the increase in the normal cost of service items such as operating and maintenance expenses and payroll and employee benefit expenses which have increased since March 2007. It is also seeking to recover the 7.5% increase in the cost of water under its Board of Public Utilities, an administrative agency of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas (BPU), water supply contract that went into effect on January 1, 2012. The Company is also seeking approval of its contract amendment with BPU and a Purchase Water Adjustment tariff that would allow the utility to pass through future water supply costs to customers without having to file a general rate case. Suburban Water's last general rate case was filed in 2007.

A comparison of the current and proposed rates is as follows:

	CURRENT RATE	PROPOSED RATE
Customer Charge 1	\$20.00	\$21.00
Commodity Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$7.86	\$9.33

That the attached notice is a true copy thereof and was published in the regular and entire issue of said newspaper for 2 consecutive weeks the first publication thereof being made as aforesaid on 02/08/2012 with publications being made on the following dates:

**REGULATORY RESPONSIBILITY**

The Commission regulates public utilities including home telephone, natural gas, electric and water companies, as well as motor carriers, oil and gas pipeline, and oil and gas producers. The Commission's regulatory oversight of public utilities primarily pertains to rates and terms of service. In order to ensure that customers of regulated utilities are provided sufficient and efficient service at just and reasonable rates, utilities may not change their rates without Commission approval.

02/08/2012, 02/15/2012

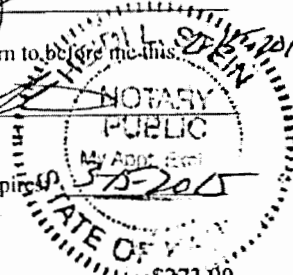
**PUBLIC HEARING**

The Commission has scheduled a public hearing to provide Suburban Water customers an opportunity to ask questions and make comments about the proposal. The public hearing is scheduled as follows: **Tuesday, February 21, 2012, beginning at 6:00 p.m., Community Library, 1400 North 158th Street, Basehor, Kansas 66007.**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012

Notary Public

My Appointment expires \_\_\_\_\_



Any person requiring special accommodations at the hearing under the Americans with Disabilities Act needs to provide notice to the Commission at least 10 days prior to the scheduled hearing by calling: (785) 271-3140.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Suburban Water customers who are unable to attend the public hearing may submit written comments. The Commission will accept written comments from Suburban Water's customers through May 1, 2012. Comments regarding this case should reference Docket No. 12 SUBW 359 RTS and may be e mailed to [publicaffairs@kcc.ks.gov](mailto:publicaffairs@kcc.ks.gov) or sent to the Kansas Corporation Commission, Office of Public Affairs and Consumer Protection, 1500 S.W. Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas 66604 4027.

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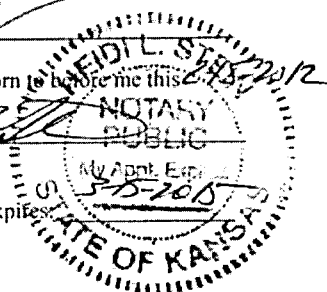
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#### EVIDENTIARY HEARING

An evidentiary hearing has been scheduled for May 7, 2012, through May 9, 2012, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission's First Floor Hearing Room, 1500 SW Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas 66604 4027. At this hearing, the Commission Staff, Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board (CURB), company representatives, and any Interveners will present their cases to the Commission.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A complete copy of Suburban Water's application and supporting testimony is available on the Commission's website at: <http://www.kcc.ks.gov>, searching Docket Filings for Docket No. 12 SUBW 359 RTS. If you need additional assistance or more information about the proposed rate increase or how to submit public comments to the Commission, contact the Commission's Office of Public Affairs and Consumer Protection at 1-800-662-0027, or at [public.affairs@kcc.ks.gov](mailto:public.affairs@kcc.ks.gov).

1 Current customer charge includes first 1,000 gallons usage, proposed customer charge does not include first 1,000 gallons usage.

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STATE OF KANSAS  
Wyandotte County

(First published in the Bonner Springs Chieftain & Basehor Sentinel,  
Thursday, February 9, 2012)

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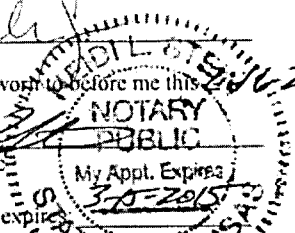
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02/09/2012, 02/16/2012

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of FEBRUARY 2012  
  
 Notary Public  
 My Appointment expires 3-15-2015

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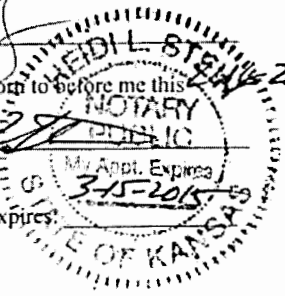
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02/09/2012, 02/16/2012

*Erika Gray*  
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*[Signature]*  
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