

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

**CANTON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES**

**DOCKET NO. 2016-UN-253**

**DOCKET NO. 2016-UN-254**

**DOCKET NO. 2016-UN-255**

**IN RE: NOTICE OF INTENT OF CANTON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES TO  
SEEK AUTHORIZATION OF MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE  
COMMISSION FOR RATES PREVIOUSLY LEVIED FOR GAS,  
WATER AND SEWER SERVICES WITHIN ITS CERTIFICATED  
AREA IN MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

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**ORDER SETTING PRELIMINARY HEARING**

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THIS DAY before the Mississippi Public Service Commission (“Commission”), on its own motion, is the matter of setting a preliminary hearing in the above-styled dockets in order to facilitate the timely and efficient administration of said dockets and to aid the Commission in issuing a final decision in each.<sup>1</sup> The Commission finds that such a preliminary hearing is in the public interest and hereby sets the same for **Thursday, September 27, 2018 at 9:00am** in the Public Service Commission Hearing Room located on the first floor of the Woolfolk State Office Building, 501 N. West St., Jackson, MS.

**I. Matters to be Considered**

The issues Canton Municipal Utilities (“CMU”) shall be prepared to discuss at the preliminary hearing include, but are not limited to, the following:

- A) CMU gas rates for the Commission’s jurisdictional customers.
- B) CMU water rates for the Commission’s jurisdictional customers.

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<sup>1</sup> The Commission consolidated these dockets for purposes of scheduling via order entered on January 30, 2017.

- C) CMU sewer rates for the Commission's jurisdictional customers.
- D) The status of CMU's various certificates of public convenience and necessity issued by the Commission.
- E) The status of any necessary local and private legislation and/or laws enabling the CMU to service customers beyond five (5) miles from the City of Canton's corporate limits.
- F) The status of CMU's operation of the sewer treatment plant known as Beatties Bluff Wastewater Treatment Facility, any joint operating agreement regarding said sewer treatment plant, and any attendant litigation surrounding said joint operating agreement and/or operation of said sewer treatment plant.
- G) The history of transfers of funds from the CMU to the City of Canton Redevelopment Authority or the City of Canton.
- H) Interest CMU pays to customers and/or has paid to customers on customer deposits it holds pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 75-17-1(1) and Public Service Commission Service Rule 9.130.

**II) Persons Required to be Present**

The Commission finds that the following persons' presence is required, and therefore orders the same to appear for the preliminary hearing:

- A) Counsel for CMU.
- B) CMU General Manager.
- C) CMU Chief Financial Officer.
- D) CMU Gas Director.
- E) CMU Water Director.
- F) CMU Sewer Director.
- G) CMU Staff Attorney.
- H) CMU Chairperson of the Board of Directors.

- I) Mr. Tim Burns, CPA.
- J) Mississippi Public Utilities Staff Director of Natural Gas.
- K) Mississippi Public Utilities Staff Director of Water/Sewer.
- L) Mississippi Public Utilities Staff General Counsel.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the above-described preliminary hearing be and is hereby set for **Thursday, September 27, 2018 at 9:00am** in the Public Service Commission Hearing Room located on the second floor of the Woolfolk State Office Building, 501 N. West St., Jackson, MS.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the CMU and those individuals identified herein be prepared to discuss the matters identified herein to the extent their experience and expertise allows.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that those individuals identified by title and/or name herein shall appear before the Commission on the date and time prescribed herein.

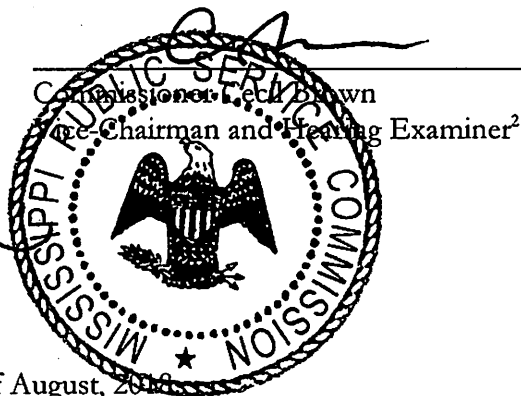
IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that this order shall be effective upon issuance. The Executive Secretary of the Commission is hereby instructed to serve a copy of this order on Canton Municipal Utilities.

SO ORDERED, this the 29 day of August, 2018.

MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

  
KATHERINE COLLIER  
Executive Secretary



Effective this the 29th day of August, 2018.

<sup>2</sup> The full Commission appointed Vice-Chairman Cecil Brown Hearing Examiner in each of the above-referenced dockets on January 24, 2017.