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**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Mr. Brandon M. Frey

Executive Secretary

Louisiana Public Service Commission

P.O. Box 91154

Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9154

Re: Ascension Water Company - *Request for Letter of Non-Opposition for Increase in Flow-Through Rates.*

**Request for 15-day intervention period**

Dear Secretary Frey:

I am writing to inform the Louisiana Public Service Commission (hereinafter referred to as the “**Commission**” or the “**LPSC**”) that Ascension Water Company (hereinafter referred to as “**Ascension**”), which currently purchases water from Baton Rouge Water Company (hereinafter referred to as “**BRWC**”), has been affected by rate increases recently approved by the LPSC for BRWC (LPSC Order No. U-37129<sup>1</sup>). Accordingly, Ascension must adjust its water tariff on file with the Commission. The applicable BRWC increase is detailed below. Please find enclosed a copy of correspondence from BRWC concerning this rate change.

Please note that this request is not a request for a rate increase. This is simply a pass through of a rate increase previously approved by the LPSC for BRWC. Out of an abundance of caution and to provide notice to Ascension’s customers, notice of this request will be published in the parish journal for the parishes affected as well as the statewide journal attesting to this request

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<sup>1</sup> LPSC Order No. U-37129, *ex part*, *In re*: 2023 Formula Rate Plan Annual Report, dated September 6, 2024.

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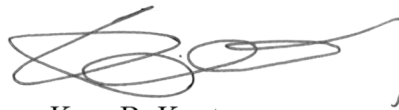
for an increase in the flow-through rate. Proof of such publication will be submitted to the Commission upon receipt. Accordingly, Ascension is making this formal request that the Commission issue a Letter of Non-Opposition authorizing the increase of the flow-through rate for water services in accordance with the below schedule, effective immediately.

- Water purchased from BRWC has increased to \$0.645 (previously \$0.585) per 1,000 gallons, effective September 6, 2024.

**Company also respectfully requests that Notice of this filing be published in the Commission's Official Bulletin, No. 1332, and interested parties be given fifteen (15) days to file any notice of intervention and/or protest.**

I appreciate your attention to this matter and please contact me should you have any questions concerning this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kara B. Kantrow', with a stylized, looping flourish at the end.

Kara B. Kantrow

Enclosure: as stated



# THE BATON ROUGE WATER COMPANY

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Ascension Water Company  
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Re: Pass-through Charge Increase Notification

Effective September 6, 2024, Baton Rouge Water Company ("BRWC") received approval from the Louisiana Public Service Commission to increase its tariffed rates. As a result, per the new tariff, the rate for water that BRWC sells to Ascension Water Company is increasing from \$0.820 per 100 cubic feet to \$0.865 per 100 cubic feet. A request to formalize this increase will be filed with the Louisiana Public Service Commission.

Sincerely,

Roger A. Simmons  
Chief Financial Officer  
Baton Rouge Water Company