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**RE:** Seavey Loop Water Company

Notice of Proposed Water Rate Increase and Customers' Right to Petition for Rate Regulation

Dear Customer,

This notice is to share the 2023 Rate Schedule. The rate increase reflected in the new rate schedule is needed to improve operations and provide necessary capital improvements to the water system to continue providing the community with safe, reliable, and cost-effective water service.

## 2023 Rate Schedule

See attached for the 2023 Rate Schedule, which will go into effect on February 1, 2023. The current monthly water rate is \$56.99. The 2023 monthly water rate will be \$75.00. Rates were not increased in 2022 while potential capital improvements were evaluated. The increase for 2023 generates required revenue to pay for the much needed capital improvements summarized below.

## **Water System Improvements**

The water system had experienced minimal improvements over the last twenty years. In 2022, a number of capital improvements were completed including:

- Water Storage Tank The existing water storage tank leaked significantly. To eliminate tank leaks, the interior of tank was relined and exterior of the tank painted.
- Treatment Plant A new treatment system was installed to maintain water quality. A new booster pump station was installed to improve distribution system reliability. The existing treatment plant building was improved. Security improvements were made to the treatment plant site including new fencing and site access gates.

## Notice from the Oregon Public Utility Commission (PUC)

Customers have the opportunity to file a petition to have the water utility's rates regulated by the Commission. If the Commission receives valid petitions from at least 20 percent of customers, the Commission will assert jurisdiction over your water utility. Rate regulation requires that all

rates and rate changes be approved by the Commission. If the Commission does not receive the sufficient number of valid customer petitions, the water utility's proposed rates will take effect on the date indicated. Petition forms are available on the Commission's website at <a href="https://www.oregon.gov/puc/utilities/Pages/Water-Petition-4-Regulation.aspx">https://www.oregon.gov/puc/utilities/Pages/Water-Petition-4-Regulation.aspx</a>. The petitions must be completed and signed by the customer and must be received by the Commission within 45 days of this notice. Copies of petitions or petitions without an original signature will not be accepted. Completed petitions must be mailed to the Consumer Services Section, PO Box 1088, Salem, OR 97308-1088. Petitions may not be filed electronically. Petitions may not be withdrawn or rescinded. Customers with questions may contact the PUC Consumer Services Section at 1-800-522-2404.

Should you have questions or need additional information, please contact Customer Service by phone at (971) 703-4242 or by email at customerservice@puttman.com.

Sincerely,

## Seavey Loop Water Company, LLC

Attachments:

1. 2023 Rate Schedule

CC:

Oregon PUC Water Program, PO Box 1088, Salem OR 97308-1088