

RESOLUTION NO.: R-2013-038

Establishing a Bulk Water Policy with respect to the Sale of Potable Water

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia owns, operates and maintains a regional water treatment and distribution system; and,

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of Columbia City Council to promulgate a policy with respect to the provision of bulk water sales; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council this 19th day of March, 2013, that the following policy be adopted with regard to the provision of bulk water sales to third parties:

1. Bulk Water Agreements are approved by Council with recommendation by Utilities and Engineering when in the best interest of the City.

Consideration will be made on a case by case basis depending on operating capacities at the point of sale combined with future growth needs of the City's distribution system.

2. Capacity is verified by Purchaser's engineer using current City of Columbia and SCDHEC Regulations.

Calculations are to be provided to the City of Columbia for review and approval. City reserves the right to approve or disapprove based current and/or future capacity needs of the City's distribution system. Purchaser's engineer must provide recommended meter size and location required to meet the demands of the purchaser.

3. City does not guarantee any level of service including water quality or quantity beyond Purchaser's meter connection.

Purchaser is responsible for all aspects of maintaining water quality standards

4. Purchased water shall only be distributed within Purchaser's service area. Purchaser may sell to other water providers (Bulk Water Customers) provided that the customers are not contiguous to the City's service area and the Purchaser does not solely rely on the City's water service to provide adequate service.

5. The City may terminate service for any reason after twenty-four (24) hour notification. Service may be limited at any time for emergencies such as water main break and/or maintenance purposes.

6. Rates for service shall be in accordance with the current rate schedule and are subject to any future increases as approved by Council.

7. Purchaser is responsible for obtaining any easements and/or permits associated with the Bulk Water Sale.

Requested by:

Mayor and City Council

MAYOR

Approved by:

City Manager

Approved as to form:

City Attorney

Introduced: 3/19/2013

Final Reading: 3/19/2013

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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