

**BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

IN THE MATTER OF A PERMANENT  
RULEMAKING OF THE OKLAHOMA  
CORPORATION COMMISSION AMENDING  
OAC 165:65, WATER SERVICE UTILITIES

CAUSE NO. RM 201800014

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**RULE IMPACT STATEMENT**

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OF OKLAHOMA

Pursuant to 75 O.S. § 303(D) of the Oklahoma Administrative Procedures Act, the Public Utility Division ("PUD") of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission ("Commission") submits the following Rule Impact Statement for its proposed rules regarding Title 165, Chapter 65 of the Oklahoma Administrative Code ("OAC").

**I. Brief description of the purpose of the proposed rules:**

The purpose of the proposed rules is to add general grammatical, formatting, and spelling changes; and shorten defined terms, and/or other clarifying language. The proposed rules further intend to add definitions; and/or clarify and add reporting requirements; and changing references in the rule from "filing" of information with the Commission to "submitting" information to the Commission. Also, the proposed rules add a requirement for installation of service lines and marking of trenches for public safety; adding a provision concerning events beyond the utility's control; updating the time period for acquisition and or merger; and requiring the utility to provide an email address to PUD through which a representative of the utility may be contacted. PUD also proposed additional language for cybersecurity and new requirements for reporting cybersecurity or infrastructure security events that affect immediate customers; requiring the utility to clearly delineate utility and non-utility expenses and revenues; and adding new requirements for responses to customer complaint inquiries and clarifying language.

**II. Description of classes of persons most likely to be affected by the proposed rules, including classes that will bear the cost of the proposed rules, and any information on cost impacts received by the agency from private or public entities:**

The persons most likely to be affected by the proposed rules are water service public utilities and the consuming public. As of the date of preparation of this Rule Impact Statement, PUD has not received any information regarding cost impact from any private or public entities.

**III. Classes of persons who will benefit from the proposed rules:**

The persons most likely to be benefitted by the proposed rules are water service public utilities and the consuming public.

**IV. Description of the probable economic impact of the proposed rules upon affected classes of persons or political subdivisions, including a listing of all fee changes and justification for each fee change:**

The proposed rules are not expected to have any adverse economic effect on affected classes of persons, including any political subdivisions, and there are no fee changes in the proposed rules.

**V. Probable cost and benefits to the agency and to any other agency of the implementation and enforcement of the proposed rules, the source of revenue to be used for implementation and enforcement of the proposed rules, and any anticipated effect on state revenues:**

There is no additional cost to the Commission or to any other agency for implementation or enforcement of the proposed rules, and there is no anticipated effect on state revenues.

**VI. Determination of whether implementation of the proposed rules will have an economic impact on any political subdivisions or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rules:**

Implementation and enforcement of the proposed rules will not have an economic impact on any political subdivisions or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rules.

**VII. Determination of whether implementation of the proposed rules may have an adverse economic effect on small business as provided by the Oklahoma Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act:**

It is not anticipated that the proposed rules will have an adverse economic effect on small business.

**VIII. Explanation of the measures the agency has taken to minimize compliance cost and a determination of whether there are less costly or non-regulatory methods or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rules:**

The proposed rules do not increase compliance costs, and there are no known non-regulatory methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rules.

**IX. Determination of the effect of the proposed rules on the public health, safety and environment and, if the proposed rules are designed to reduce significant risks to the public health, safety and environment, an explanation of the nature of the risk and to what extent the proposed rules will reduce the risk:**

The proposals are not specifically designed to reduce significant risks to the public health, safety, and environment; however, there is no anticipated effect of the proposed rules on public health, safety, or the environment.

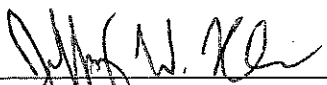
**X. Determination of any detrimental effect on the public health, safety and environment if the proposed rules are not implemented:**

It is anticipated that there will be no detrimental effect on the public health, safety and environment if the proposed rules are not implemented.

**XI. Date of preparation of Rule Impact Statement:**

This Rule Impact Statement was prepared on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2018.

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