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### **Public Service Commission Schedules Hearing Involving a Request for Approval of a Water Utility Merger on April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

*Columbia, South Carolina*—The Public Service Commission has scheduled a merits hearing in [Docket No. 2025-283-WS](#), which involves a joint application of South Carolina Water Utilities, Inc., South Carolina Water Utilities-PUI, Inc., South Carolina Water Utilities-PWR, Inc., and Blue Granite Water Company (collectively, “the Joint Applicants”) for approval of a merger, for 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

Per their application, the Joint Applicants request the Commission issue an Order:

- Approving the Merger Agreement between SCWU, SCWU-PUI, SCWU-PWR, and BGWC and the resulting expansion of SCWU’s service territory.
- Allowing SCWU to assume the rights and responsibilities to serve SCWU-PUI, SCWU-PWR and BGWC’s customers and allowing SCWU to assume all related permits and other permits and certain other property necessary for the operation of the systems of the Joint Applicants.
- Allowing SCWU to operate the merged systems under the name “South Carolina Water Utilities.”
- Allowing SCWU to operate the consolidated water and sewer systems under the schedules of rates and charges currently approved by the Commission.

If the proposed merger is approved, it will not affect the rates customers pay for services provided by the Joint Applicants nor will it affect their service.

This hearing will be livestreamed to the public at 10:00 a.m. on April 29<sup>th</sup> [at this link](#).

For more information, please reach out to the Public Service Commission at 803.896.5100 or at [contact@psc.sc.gov](mailto:contact@psc.sc.gov).

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