ORDINANCE 2022-02 AN ORDINANCE OF THE GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT REVISING DELINQUECY RATES AND RELATED FEES

BE IT ACKNOWLEDGED that the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District ("District") adopted Ordinance 2011-02 on May 10, 2011, establishing rates and fees on delinquent accounts;

BE IT FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGED, that the District desires to replace Ordinance 2011-02 with Ordinance 2022-02.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT, COUNTY OF EL DORADO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, as follows:

- WHEREAS, late fees and lock-offs will be imposed on accounts with a delinquent balance of more than Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00);
- WHEREAS, a Ten Percent (10%) penalty fee on all delinquent account balances over Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) will replace the previous flat delinquency fee of Twelve Dollar (\$12.00) for any utility that remains unpaid for more than thirty (30) days after the billing date and One Percent (1%) bimonthly, thereafter, of the unpaid balance;
- **WHEREAS**, the service fee for immediate reactivation of water is increased from Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) to Seventy-Five dollars (\$75.00);
- WHEREAS, the service fee for reactivating water at the district's convenience is increased to Twenty-Five dollars (\$25.00) from Twelve Dollars (\$12.00);
- WHEREAS, District staff will not have the ability to receive district payments in the field due to safety concerns;
- **WHEREAS**, the District will charge a Twenty-Five Dollar (\$25.00) fee to customers whose payments are returned "not sufficient funds" by the District's financial institution;
- **WHEREAS**, these fees were established to encourage timely payments and cover the estimated administrative burden to staff; and
- WHEREAS, the administrative burden has been reestablished based on the current delinquency activity and the delinquency rates are hereby amended to be reasonable and reflect the cost to the District to administer delinquent accounts.
- **NOW, THEREFORE**, the Board of Directors of the Georgetown Divide Public Utilities District does ordain as follows:
 - 1. a balance of less-than or equal to Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) is required on accounts to avoid late fees and lock-offs.

- 2. a Ten Percent (10%) penalty fee will be applied on all delinquent account balances over Twenty-Five dollars (\$25.00) on Day 30.
- 3. the service fee for immediate reactivation of water is Seventy-Five dollars (\$75.00).
- 4. the service fee for reactivating water at the district's convenience is Twenty-Five dollars (\$25.00).
- 5. District staff will not have the ability to receive district payments in the field due to safety concerns.
- **6.** the District will charge a Twenty Five Dollar (\$25.00) fee to customers whose payments are returned for "not sufficient funds" by the District's financial institution

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT held on the fifteenth day of November 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Stewart, MacDonald, Seaman, Thornbrough, Saunders

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

Michael Saunders, President

Board of Directors

GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

Attest:

Nicholas Schneider, Clerk and ex officio

Secretary, Board of Directors

GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of **Ordinance 2022-02** duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Directors of the GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT, El Dorado County, California, at a meeting duly held on the fifteenth day of November 2022.

Nicholas Schneider, Clerk and ex officio

Secretary, Board of Directors

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