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MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
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## Presley Approves Certain Customers of North Lee Water Transfer to City of Tupelo

Nettleton, Mississippi (March 28, 2016) – Earlier today, Public Service Commissioner Brandon Presley held a public comment hearing in Tupelo regarding the transfer of some North Lee Water Customers to Tupelo Water and Light. Ultimately, Commissioner Presley approved the transfer which resulted in a 49% rate reduction for the affected customers.

The City of Tupelo announced in August of 2015 plans to pay the North Lee Water Association just over \$3 million to take over the service of over 560 customers. The areas, which include Beech Springs, Indian Hill, Big Oaks, Deer Park, Auburn, Mount Vernon and Hurdton, were annexed by the city in 2012.

“When we have an opportunity like this where two utilities are willing to work together for the greater good, it just makes sense to approve the request. Saving money for the people of Mississippi has always been one of my top priorities as Public Service Commissioner,” Commissioner Brandon Presley said.

For more information regarding this transfer contact the PSC at 1-800-356-6428 or online at [www.psc.state.ms.us/nocall](http://www.psc.state.ms.us/nocall).



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