



Florida Public Service Commission

SPECIAL REPORT

FEBRUARY 2015

Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Pasco County by

Labrador Utilities, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 140135-WS

On September 15, 2014, Labrador Utilities, Inc. (Labrador) filed an application with the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC or Commission) for a rate increase to its water and wastewater rates. Labrador provides service to approximately 760 water and 750 wastewater customers in Pasco County.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

1 Is there an opportunity for public input on this rate case?

Yes. As part of the evaluation process for Labrador's rate request, the Commission staff will conduct a customer meeting to allow customer feedback about Labrador and the rate-setting process. Customer comments, written and oral, will be taken into consideration when the Commission reaches a decision. One or more Commissioners may attend and participate during the customer meeting.

2 Why is Labrador requesting a rate increase?

Labrador is requesting a rate increase to cover increasing operating costs.

3 When was Labrador's last approved rate increase?

Labrador's last approved rate increase was in its 2011 rate case.

4 Presently, how much are the average monthly water and wastewater bills for a residential customer using 2,000 gallons?

Currently, the average monthly water and wastewater bills for a residential customer are \$31.01 and \$51.55, respectively.

CUSTOMER MEETING

**Wednesday, February 11, 2015
6:00 p.m.**

Forest Lake Estates Community Clubhouse
6429 Forest Lake Drive
Zephyrhills, FL 33540

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5 Using Labrador's proposed rates, how much would the average monthly water and wastewater bills be for a residential customer using 2,000 gallons per month?

Under Labrador's proposal, the average monthly water and wastewater bills for a residential customer would be \$37.02 and \$72.51, respectively.

6 What if I cannot attend the customer meeting or prefer not to speak? Are there other ways to comment on this case?

Any person who wants to comment or provide information to the Commission regarding this matter may do so orally at the meeting or in writing.* Written comments should be mailed to:

Florida Public Service Commission
Office of Commission Clerk
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

The PSC will also accept e-mailed comments.

E-mail address:

clerk@psc.state.fl.us

Please be sure to include the docket number, **140135-WS**.

Customer comments are placed on the consumer side of the docket file and are taken into consideration by the Commissioners in reaching their decision. In accordance with Florida Statutes, the PSC will also consider Labrador's quality of service and other matters. If you have questions, contact the

Florida Public Service Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach at 1-800-342-3552.

7 Who can answer technical or legal questions?

For technical questions, contact:

Adam Hill
(850) 413-6425

Cissy Galloway
(850) 413-6922

Sonica Bruce
(850) 413-6994

Penelope Buys
(850) 413-6518

For legal questions, contact:

Kyesha Mapp
(850) 413-6230

8 Where on the Internet can I obtain more detailed information?

Detailed docket information is available on the PSC Web site at www.floridapsc.com.

Click on **Clerk's Office** then **Dockets**. Type in the docket number, **140135**.

9 When will the PSC make a decision?

The PSC staff is scheduled to file a recommendation with the Commission on April 23, 2015. The Commissioners are expected to vote on this matter at the May 5, 2015 Commission Conference.

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Labrador Monthly Water Service Rates

	Rates at Time of Filing	Commission Approved Interim Rates	Utility Requested Final Rates
<u>Residential Service</u>			
Base Facility Charge 5/8" X 3/4" Meter Size	\$10.38	\$11.95	\$14.24
Charge per 1,000 Gallons - Residential	\$8.30	\$9.53	\$11.39
<u>General Service</u>			
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size			
5/8" x 3/4"	\$10.38	\$11.95	\$14.24
3/4"	\$15.58	\$17.94	\$21.36
1"	\$25.96	\$29.36	\$35.60
1 1/2"	\$51.90	\$58.69	\$71.20
2"	\$83.03	\$95.63	\$113.92
3"	\$166.07	\$191.26	\$213.60
4"	\$259.48	\$298.84	\$356.00
6"	\$518.96	\$597.68	\$712.00
Charge per 1,000 Gallons	\$8.30	\$9.53	\$11.39
<u>Irrigation Service</u>			
Base Facility Charge - 2" Meter Size	\$83.03	\$95.63	\$113.92
Charge per 1,000 Gallons - Irrigation	\$8.30	\$9.53	\$11.39
<u>Typical Residential Bills 5/8" x 3/4" Meter</u>			
2,000 Gallons	\$26.98	\$31.01	\$37.02
5,000 Gallons	\$51.88	\$59.60	\$71.19
10,000 Gallons	\$93.38	\$107.25	\$128.14

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Labrador Monthly Wastewater Service Rates

	Rates at Time of Filing	Commission Approved Interim Rates	Utility Requested Final Rates
<u>Residential Service</u>			
Base Facility Charge (All Meter Sizes)	\$22.43	\$27.25	\$38.33
Charge per 1,000 Gallons 10,000 gallon cap	\$10.00	\$12.15	\$17.09
<u>General Service</u>			
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size			
5/8" x 3/4"	\$22.43	\$27.25	\$38.33
3/4"	\$33.65	\$40.88	\$57.50
1"	\$56.07	\$68.13	\$95.83
1-1/2"	\$112.13	\$136.25	\$191.65
2"	\$179.40	\$218.00	\$306.64
3"	\$358.82	\$436.00	\$574.95
4"	\$560.65	\$681.26	\$958.25
6"	\$1,121.29	\$1,362.51	\$1,916.50
8"	\$1,828.43	\$2,180.02	\$3,066.40
Charge per 1,000 Gallons	\$12.00	\$14.58	\$20.51
<u>Typical Residential Bills 5/8" x 3/4" Meter</u>			
2,000 Gallons	\$42.43	\$51.55	\$72.51
5,000 Gallons	\$72.43	\$88.00	\$123.78
10,000 Gallons	\$122.43	\$148.75	\$209.23

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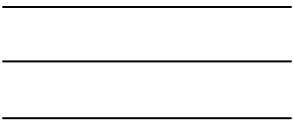
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Correspondence will be placed in the file of this docket.

CONSUMER COMMENTS

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