



Florida Public Service Commission

SPECIAL REPORT

MAY 2015

Application for increase in water rates in Sumter County by

Cedar Acres, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 140217-WU

On November 17, 2014, Cedar Acres, Inc. (Cedar Acres) filed an application with the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC or Commission) for a staff-assisted rate case. Cedar Acres provides service to approximately 319 water customers in Sumter County.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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

Yes. As part of the evaluation process for Cedar Acres' rate request, the Commission staff will conduct a customer meeting to allow customer feedback about Cedar Acres 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 Cedar Acres requesting a rate increase?

Cedar Acres is requesting a rate increase in order to recover the cost of operating the utility and allow the company to earn a fair rate

of return on its investment.

CUSTOMER MEETING

**Thursday, May 14, 2015
6:00 p.m.**

Lady Lake Town Hall
Commission Chambers
409 Fennell Boulevard
Lady Lake, FL 32159

3 When was Cedar Acres' last approved rate increase?

This is the company's first rate case since coming under PSC jurisdiction in 2009.

4 How much is the average monthly water bill for a residential customer using 5,000 gallons?

The average monthly water bill for a residential customer is \$9.23.

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5 Using the PSC staff's preliminary recommended rates, how much would the average monthly water bill be for a residential customer using 5,000 gallons?

The average monthly water bill for a residential customer would be \$36.61.

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 emailed comments at: clerk@psc.state.fl.us

Please be sure to include the docket number, **140217-WU**.

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 Cedar Acres' 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:

Kelly Thompson
(850) 413-6986

Cissy Galloway
(850) 413-6922

Moni Mtenga
(850) 413-6586

For legal questions, contact:

Leslie Ames
(850) 413-6187

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, **140217**.

9 When will the PSC make a decision?

The PSC staff is scheduled to file a recommendation with the Commission on July 9, 2015. The Commissioners are expected to vote on this matter at the July 21, 2015 Commission Conference.

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Cedar Acres Monthly Water Service Rates

	Rates at Time of Filing	Staff Preliminary Recommended Rates
<u>Residential and General Service</u>		
Base Facility Charge All Meter Sizes	\$9.00	N/A
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size:		
5/8" x 3/4"	N/A	\$13.21
3/4"	N/A	\$19.82
1"	N/A	\$33.03
1 1/2"	N/A	\$66.05
2"	N/A	\$105.68
3"	N/A	\$211.36
4"	N/A	\$330.25
6"	N/A	\$660.50
Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$0.045	\$4.68
<u>Typical Residential 5/8" x 3/4" Meter Bill Comparison</u>		
3,000 Gallons	\$9.14	\$27.25
5,000 Gallons	\$9.23	\$36.61
10,000 Gallons	\$9.45	\$60.01

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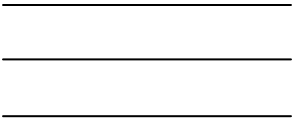
Please submit your comments about this docket to the Florida Public Service Commission by completing this comment form and return it by mail, or send a fax to 1-800-511-0809.

Correspondence will be placed in the file of this docket.

CONSUMER COMMENTS

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