



# Florida Public Service Commission

# **SPECIAL REPORT**

APRIL 2015

Application for increase in water rates in Brevard County by

## **Brevard Waterworks, Inc.**

DOCKET NO. 140186-WS

*On December 1, 2014, Brevard Waterworks, Inc. (Brevard) filed an application with the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC or Commission) for a staff assisted rate case. Brevard provides service to approximately 237 water customers in Brevard County.*

### QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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

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

Brevard is requesting a rate increase in order to recover the cost of operating the company and earn a fair return on its investment.

#### **3 When was Brevard's last approved rate increase?**

Brevard's last approved rate increase was in its 2012.

#### **CUSTOMER MEETING**

Thursday, April 9, 2015  
6:00 p.m.

Mims Scottsmoor Public Library  
3615 Lionel Road  
Mims, FL 32754

#### **4 Presently, how much is the average monthly water bill for a residential customer using 3,000 gallons?**

Currently, the average monthly water bill for a residential customer are \$41.90.

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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 3,000 gallons?**

The average monthly water bills for a residential customer would be \$53.85.

**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 at: [clerk@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:clerk@psc.state.fl.us)

Please be sure to include the docket number, **140186-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 Brevard'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:

Kelly Thompson  
(850) 413-6986

Penelope Buys  
(850) 413-6518

For legal questions, contact:

Charles Murphy  
(850) 413-6191

**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](http://www.floridapsc.com). Click on **Clerk's Office** then **Dockets**. Type in the docket number, **140186**.

**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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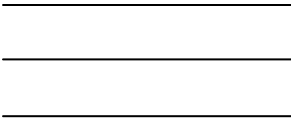
# Brevard Monthly Water Service Rates

	Rates at Time of Filing	Commission Approved Interim Rates	Staff Preliminary Recommended Rates
<b><u>Residential Service, Irrigation, and General Service</u></b>			
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size			
5/8" x 3/4"	\$20.69	\$22.86	\$21.48
3/4"	\$31.04	\$34.30	\$32.22
1"	\$51.74	\$57.18	\$53.70
1 1/2"	\$103.47	\$114.34	\$107.40
2"	\$165.56	\$182.96	\$171.84
3"	\$331.14	\$365.94	\$343.68
4"	\$517.40	\$571.78	\$537.00
6"	\$1,034.80	\$1,143.56	\$1,074.00
8"	\$1,655.68	\$1,829.69	\$1,718.40
10"	\$2,380.03	\$2,630.17	\$2,470.20
Charge per 1,000 gallons - Residential and Irrigation			
0 - 6,000 gallons	\$7.07	\$7.81	N/A
6,001 - 12,000 gallons	\$10.62	\$11.74	N/A
Over 12,000 gallons	\$14.14	\$15.63	N/A
0 - 4,000 gallons	N/A	N/A	\$10.79
Over 4,000 gallons	N/A	N/A	\$16.19
Charge per 1,000 gallons - General Service	\$7.93	\$8.76	\$11.75
<b><u>Typical Residential 5/8" x 3/4" Meter Bill Comparison</u></b>			
4,000 Gallons	\$48.97	\$54.10	\$64.64
6,000 Gallons	\$63.11	\$69.72	\$97.02
10,000 Gallons	\$105.59	\$116.68	\$161.78

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<b><u>Private Fire Protection Service</u></b>			
2"	\$13.80	\$15.25	\$14.32
3"	\$27.59	\$30.30	\$28.64
4"	\$43.12	\$47.65	\$44.75
6"	\$86.24	\$95.30	\$89.50
8"	\$137.98	\$152.47	\$143.20
10"	\$198.33	\$219.18	\$205.85





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