



Florida Public Service Commission **RATE CASE OVERVIEW**

FEBRUARY 2018

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

FIMC Hideaway, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 20170147-WS

On June 22, 2017, FIMC Hideaway, Inc. (FIMC) filed an application with the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC or Commission) for an increase in water and wastewater rates. FIMC provides water and wastewater service to approximately 200 customers in Levy County. Prior to this case, FIMC operated separate water and wastewater plants for the Hideaway and Springside systems. These systems charged different rates for similar service. In April 2013, the utility completed the interconnection of its systems and formed them into a single water and wastewater system. The utility is requesting uniform rates.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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

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

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

3 When was FIMC's last approved rate increase?

FIMC's last approved rate increase was in 1992.

4 How much is the current monthly water and wastewater bill for a residential customer using 2,000 gallons?

The current monthly water and wastewater bill for a residential customer is \$20.01 and \$17.15 for Hideaway customers and \$14.84 and \$29.37 for Springside customers.

5 Using staff's recommended rates, how much would the monthly water and wastewater bill be for a residential customer using 2,000 gallons?

Using staff's recommended rates, the monthly water and wastewater bill for a residential customer would be \$24.24 and \$33.11, respectively.

CUSTOMER MEETING

Thursday, February 1, 2018
6:00 P.M.

Fat Goose Auction
14404 US Highway 19 North
Chiefland, FL 32626

If cancelled, notice of meeting cancellation will be provided on the Commission's website (www.floridapsc.com) under Hot Topics found on the home page. Cancellation can also be confirmed by contacting the Office of General Counsel at (850) 413-6199.

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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, **20170147-WS**.

Customer comments are placed on the correspondence 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 FIMC's quality of service and other matters. If you have questions, contact the PSC's Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach at 1-800-342-3552.

7 Who can answer technical or legal questions?

For technical questions, contact:

Clayton Lewis
(850) 413- 6578

Matthew Sibley
(850) 413- 6516

Kordell Wilson
(850) 413- 6447

For legal questions, contact:

Stephanie Cuello
(850) 413- 6220

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

Detailed docket information is available on the PSC website at www.FloridaPSC.com. Click on **Clerk's Office** then **Dockets**. Type in the docket number **20170147**.

9 When will the PSC make a decision?

The PSC staff is tentatively scheduled to file a recommendation with the Commission on March 30, 2018. The Commissioners are tentatively expected to vote on this matter at the April 12, 2018 Commission Conference.

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FIMC Hideaway, Inc. Monthly Water Rates

	Hideaway Rates at Time of Filing	Springside Rates at Time of Filing	Staff Recommended Rates
<u>Residential and General Service</u>			
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size			
5/8" x 3/4"	\$13.85	\$8.74	\$10.56
3/4"	\$20.77	\$13.11	\$15.84
1"	\$34.61	\$21.86	\$26.40
1 1/2"	\$69.23	\$43.71	\$52.80
2"	\$110.77	\$69.94	\$84.48
3"	\$221.53	\$139.88	\$168.96
4"	\$346.14	\$218.56	\$264.00
6"	\$692.29	N/A	\$528.00
Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$3.08	\$3.05	\$6.84
<u>Irrigation Service*</u>			
Base Facility Charge - All Meter Sizes	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Charge per 1,000 gallons	N/A	\$1.74	\$6.84
<u>Typical Residential 5/8" x 3/4" Meter Bill Comparison</u>			
2,000 Gallons	\$20.01	\$14.84	\$24.24
6,000 Gallons	\$32.33	\$27.04	\$51.60
10,000 Gallons	\$44.65	\$39.24	\$78.96

FIMC Hideaway, Inc. Monthly Wastewater Rates

	Hideaway Rates at Time of Filing	Springside Rates at Time of Filing	Staff Recommended Rates
<u>Residential Service</u>			
Base Facility Charge - All Meter Sizes	\$11.81	\$17.85	\$16.13
Charge per 1,000 gallons			
6,000 gallon cap	\$2.67	N/A	\$8.49
Charge per 1,000 gallons	N/A	\$5.76	N/A
10,000 gallon cap			
Flat Rate	\$26.61	N/A	\$34.19
<u>General Service</u>			
Base Facility Charge by Meter Size			
5/8" x 3/4"	\$11.81	\$17.85	\$16.13
3/4"	\$17.72	\$26.78	\$24.20
1"	\$29.53	\$44.63	\$40.33
1 1/2"	\$59.06	\$89.27	\$80.65
2"	\$94.50	\$142.83	\$129.04
3"	\$188.99	\$285.66	\$258.08
4"	\$295.30	\$446.34	\$403.25
6"	\$590.05	N/A	\$806.50
Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$3.09	\$6.92	\$10.19
<u>Typical Residential 5/8" x 3/4" Meter Bill Comparison</u>			
2,000 Gallons	\$17.15	\$29.37	\$33.11
6,000 Gallons	\$27.83	\$52.41	\$67.07
10,000 Gallons	\$27.83	\$75.45	\$67.07

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