# DOCKET NO. 47-1347-50

#### REQUEST TO ESTABLISH DOCKET

## Date 10/15/97

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4. Suggested Docket Title Applica	ation for purchased wastewater treatme	nt
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Utilities, Inc.		
5. Suggested Docket Mailing List (atta	tach separate sheet (f necessary)	
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DONNA CREWS, FOREST SHORES UTILITIES, INC.

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DATE: October 10, 1997

RE: PASS-THRU APPLICATION

#### Appendix A 1997 PRICE INDEX APPLICATION TEST YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996

DEP PWS DEP WWTP		MATER	WASTEWATER
	eration and Maintenance Expenses	\$	\$
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(a)	Pass-through Items:		
(4)	(1) Purchased Power		
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EXPLANATORY NOTES APPEAR ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE

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#### APPENDIX 'A'

- This amount <u>must</u> match 1996 annual report.
- Testing for volatile organic and unregulated contaminants per DEP Rule 17-550.590 F.A.C. and lead and copper testing per DEP Rule 17-551.450, F.A.C.
- Routine daily, weekly, or monthly testing required by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) not currently included in the utility's rates.
- This may include an increase in purchased power, purchased water, purchased wastewater treatment, required DEP testing, and ad valorem taxes, providing that those increases have been incurred within the 12 month period prior to the submission of the pass-through application. Pass-through NPDES fees and increases in regulatory assessment fees are eligible as pass-through costs but not subject to the twelve month rule. DEP water and wastewater testing pass-throughs require invoice3. See Chapter 25-30.425 F.A.C. (included in this order) for more information.
- If rates changed after January 1, 1996, the book revenues must be adjusted to show the changes and an explanation of the calculation should be attached to this form. See Appendix 'B' for instructions and a sample format.

#### APPENDIX 'B'

Have the rates charged for customer services changed since January 1, 1996?

- () If no, the utility should use actual revenues. This form may be disregarded.
- ( ) If yes, the utility must annualize its revenues. Read the remainder of this form.

Annualizing calculates the revenues the utility would have earned based upon 1996 customer consumption at the most current rates in effect. To complete this calculation, the utility will need consumption data for 1996 to apply to the existing rate schedule. Below is a sample format which may be used.

# CONSUMPTION DATA for 1996

	Number of Bill/Gal. Sold	Current X Rates	Annualized Revenues
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Flat Rate Bills: %: %: Rate Rate Rate Rate Rate Rate Rate Rate	137 Customers	.65.05/	= 8911.85 x 6 = 53,471
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1 1/2" meters			
2" meters		********	
Gallons Sold			
General Service:			
Bills: 5/8"x3/4" meters			
1" meters			
1 1/2" meters		*****	
2" meters			
3" meters			
4" meters			
6" meters			
Gallons Sold			
Total Annualized Revenues	for 1996		\$ 53,471

Annualized revenues <u>must be calculated separately</u> if the utility consists of both a water system and a wastewater system. This form is designed specifically for utilities using a base facility charge rate structure. If annualized revenues must be calculated and further assistance is needed, contact the Commission Staff at (904) 413-6900.

#### APPIRMATION

I,	JAMES H. CREWS	, hereby a	ffirm
that the fig	gures and calculations	upon which the change	in
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This a	ffirmation is made pu	rsuant to my request fo	r a
1995 price	index and/or pass-thro	ough rate increase, in	
		(4)(c), Florida Statute	s.
	Signature	James H. lieur	_
	Title: Jame	s H, Crews, President	
Sworn	to and subscribed bef	ore me this10th	
day of	October , 19	97.	
My Commissio	1/	Alu I	
	<u>Ora</u>	nus G. Warfula	/
	Notary Public	V	

State of Florida



#### MOTICE TO CUSTOMERS

Pursuant to Section 367.081 (4) (b), Florida Statutes, water and wastewater utilities are permitted to pass through, without a public hearing, a change in rates resulting from: an increase or decrease in rates charged for utility services received from a governmental agency or another regulated utility and which services were redistributed by the utility to its customers; an increase or decrease in the rates that it is charged for electric power, the amount of ad valorem taxes assessed against its used and useful, property, the fees charged by the Department of Environmental Protection in connection with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Program, or the regulatory assessment fees imposed upon it by the Commission; and costs incurred for water quality or wastewater quality testing required by the Department of Environmental Protection.

#### PASS-THROUGH RATE ADJUSTMENTS

Section 367.081(4)(b), Florida Statutes Rule 25-30.425, Florida Administrative Code Waiver Form Sample Affirmation Affidavit Notice to Customers

Section 367.081(4)(b), Florida Statutes

The approved rates of any utility which receives all or any portion of its utility service from a governmental authority or from a water or wastewater utility regulated by the commission and which redistributes that service to its utility customers shall automatically increased or decreased without hearing, upon verified notice to the commission 45 days prior to its implementation of the increase or decrease that the rates charged by the governmental authority or other utility have changed. The approved rates of any utility which is subject to an increase or decrease in the rates or fees that it is charged for electric power, the amount of ad valorem taxes assessed against its used and useful property, the fees charged by the Department of Environmental Protection in connection with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Program, or the regulatory assessment fees imposed upon it by the commission shall be increased or decreased by the utility, without action by the commission, upon verified notice to the commission 45 days prior to its implementation of the increase or decrease that the rates charged by the supplier of the electric power or the taxes imposed by the governmental authority, or the regulatory assessment fees imposed upon it by the commission have changed. The new rates authorized shall reflect the amount of the change of the ad valorem taxes or rates imposed upon the utility by the governmental authority, other utility, or supplier of electric power, or the regulatory assessment fees imposed upon it by the commission. The approved rates of any utility shall be automatically increased, without hearing, upon verified notice to the commission 45 days prior to implementation of the increase that costs have been incurred for water quality or wastewater quality testing required by the Department of Environmental Protection. The new rates authorized shall reflect, on an amortized basis, the cost of, or the amount of change in the cost of, required water quality or wastewater quality testing performed by laboratories approved by the Department of Environmental Protection for that purpose. The new rates, however, shall not reflect the costs of any required water quality or wastewater quality testing already included in a utility's rates. A utility may not use this procedure to increase its rates as a result of water quality or wastewater quality testing or an increase in the cost of purchased water services, sewer services, or electric power or in assessed ad valorem taxes, which increase was initiated more than 12 months before the filing by the utility. The provisions of this subsection do not prevent a utility from seeking a change in rates pursuant to the provisions of subsection (2).

Rule 25-30.425, Florida Administrative Code 25-30.425 Pass Through Rate Adjustment. The verified notice to the Commission of an adjustment of rates under the provisions of section 367.081(4)(b), F. S., shall be made in the following manner:

(1) Prior to an adjustment in rates because of an increase or

decrease in purchased utility service, the utility shall file:

(a) A certified copy of the order, ordinance or other evidence whereby the rates for utility service are increased or decreased by the governmental agency or by a water or wastewater utility regulated by the Commission.

(b) A statement setting out by month the charges for utility services purchased from the governmental agency or regulated utility for

the most recent 12-month period.

(c)1. A statement setting out by month the gallons of water or wastewater treatment purchased from the governmental agency or regulated utility for the most recent 12-month period. If wastewater treatment service is not based on a metered flow, the number of units by which the service is measured shall be stated.

2. A statement setting out by month gallons of water and units of wastewater service sold by the utility for the most recent 12-month

period.

(d) A statement setting out by month the gallons of water or wastewater treatment purchased from any other government entity or utility company.

(e) A statement setting out by month the gallons of water pumped or

wastewater treated by the utility filing the verified notice.

(f) If the total water available for sale is in excess of 110% of

the water sold, a statement explaining the unaccounted for water.

(2) Prior to an adjustment in rates because of an increase or decrease in the charge for electric power the utility shall file with the Commission:

(a) A certified copy of the order, ordinance or other evidence which establishes that the rates for electric power have been increased or

decreased by the supplier.

(b) A schedule showing, by month, the charges for electric power and consumption for the most recent 12 month period, the charges that would have resulted had the new electric rates been applied, and the difference between the charges under the old rates and the charges under the new A statement outlining the measures taken by the utility to conserve electricity.

(3) Prior to an adjustment in rates because of an increase or

decrease in ad valorem taxes the utility shall file with the Commission:

(a) A copy of the ad valorem tax bills which increased or decreased and copies of the previous three years' bills; if copies have been submitted previously, a schedule showing the tax total only is acceptable; and

(b) A calculation of the amount of the ad valorem taxes related to that portion of the water or wastewater plant not used and useful in

providing utility service.

(4) Prior to an adjustment in rates because of an increase or decrease in the costs of water quality or wastewater quality testing

required by the Department of Environmental Regulation, the company shall file with the Commission:

(a) A copy of the invoice for testing;

(b) Calculation of the amortized amount. (5) In addition to (1), (2) and (3) above, the utility shall also

file:

(a) A schedule of proposed rates which will pass the increased or decreased costs on to the customers in a fair and nondiscriminatory manner and on the basis of current customers, and a calculation showing

how the rates were determined;

(b) A statement, by class of customer and meter size, setting out by month the gallons of water and units of wastewater service sold by the utility for the most recent 12 month period. This statement shall not be required in filings for the pass through of increased regulatory assessment fees or ad valorem taxes. The affirmation reflecting the authorized rate of return required by

section 367.081(4)(c), F. S.; and (d) A copy of the notice to customers required by subsection (7) of

this rule;

(e) Revised tariff sheets reflecting the increased rates; and

(f) The rate of return that the utility is affirming it will not exceed pursuant to section 367.081(4)(c), F. S.

(6) In order for the Commission to determine whether a utility which had adjusted its rates pursuant to section 367.081(4)(b), F. S., has thereby exceeded the range of its last authorized rate of return, the Commission may require a utility to file the information required in Rule 25-30.437, F. A. C., for the test year specified.

(7) Prior to the time a customer begins consumption at the adjusted rates, the utility shall notify each customer of the increase authorized

and explain the reasons for the increase.

(8) The official date of filing for the verified notice to the Commission of adjustment in rates shall be at least 45 days before the new rates are implemented.

Specific Authority 367.121(1)(f) FS.

Law Implemented 367.081(4)(b) FS. History--New 6-10-75, Amended 4-5-79, 4-5-81, 10-21-82,

Formerly 25-10.179, Amended 11-10-86, 6-5-91.

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October 9, 1997

Mr. James Crews 6138 E. Hwy. 98 Callaway, Fl. 32404

RE: Increase in Sewer Bill

Dear Mr. Crews:

At the Regular Commission Meeting on September 26, 1995, the Commission voted that future sewer recalculations will be done on a semi-annual basis.

This calculation is based on how many occupied units you have at the time and on a 12-month water consumption average per unit. It appears that the number of units and the water consumption has increased and this is why the increase occurred in your monthly billing.

Depending on the season, the water consumption will rise and fall and your billing may fluctuate with each 6-month recalculation.

If there are any further questions about this matter, please feel free to call me.

Singerely,

Debbie McLeod

Billing Supervisor

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