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## Public Service Commission

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Re: Docket No. 020567-WU - Lake Utility Service, Inc. - Potential Overearnings Investigation

Dear Mr. Friedman:

By this letter, Commission staff requests that Lake Utility Service, Inc. provide responses to the following data requests. In order to proceed with our analysis, we will need a response by December 15, 2003.

## Rate Case Expense

- 1. For each individual person, in each firm providing consulting services to the applicant pertaining to this docket, provide the billing rate, and an itemized description of work performed. Please provide detail of hours worked associated with each activity. Also provide a description and associated cost for all expenses incurred to date.
- 2. For each firm or consultant providing services for the applicant in this docket, please provide copies of all invoices for services provided to date.
- 3. If rate case consultant invoices are not broken down by hour, please provide reports that detail by hour, a description of actual duties performed, and amount incurred to date.
- 4. For each Utilities, Inc. or Water Services Corp. (WSC) employee that incurs costs that will be recorded as rate case expense for this docket, please provide a copy of all time sheets supporting those costs with a breakdown by job function performed and including the hourly rate charged.
- 5. Include copies of all invoices for rate case expense items, related to this docket,

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incurred by WSC or any Utilities, Inc. affiliate.

An estimate of costs to complete the case by hour for each consultant or employee, including a description of estimated work to be performed, and detail of the estimated remaining expense to be incurred.

## **Audit Exception No. 6**

7. Please provide all invoices or documentation of all costs related to the eight vehicles mentioned in the utility's response to Audit Exception No. 6.

## **Engineering Issues**

- 8. The water treatment monthly operating report for December, 2002 shows 1,963 connections served.
  - a. Is this the total number of connections served for all the water facilities owned and operated by Lake Groves/Lake Utility Services?
  - b. If this number of connections is only for Lake Groves, please provide the number of customers for the systems formerly identified as Lake Utility Services for December, 2001 and December, 2002.
- 9. a. What is the number of connections that the current water treatment facilities can serve without further expansion?
  - b. Will additional transmission and distribution lines be required to serve the customers expected to be served by the current water treatment facilities, both inside and outside the service area?
  - c. If additional water lines will be required, what is the approximate cost of these lines?
  - d. What is the dollar amount of the CIAC that is expected to be received for any additional water lines that will be required?
- 10. a. What is the number of connections that the current wastewater treatment facilities can serve without further expansion?
  - b. If additional collection lines or lift stations will be required, what is the approximate cost of these lines?

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- c. What is the dollar amount of the CIAC that is expected to be received for any additional collection lines or lift stations that will be required?
- 11. What annual growth is expected for the water system in terms of ERCs for each of the next five years?
- 12. What annual growth is expected for the wastewater system in terms of ERCs for each of the next five years?
- 13. Please list the subdivisions and number of ERCs in each subdivision that have fire hydrants for fire protection. Please list the subdivisions and the number of ERCs in each subdivision that do not have fire protection.

Please feel free to contact me at (850)413-7011 or Tom Walden at (850)413-6950 if you have any questions regarding this request.

Denise Greene

Professional Accountant

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