MEMORANDUM

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TO:

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FROM:

ERIK SAYLER, SENIOR ATTORNEY

DOCKET NO. 090154-SU, Notice of abandonment of wastewater system for

The Village of Lakeland Mobile Home Park in Polk County, by West Lakeland

RE:

Wastewater, Inc.

Please place into the docket file the attached letter from the Department of Financial Services, approving the Commission's request regarding uncollected regulatory assessment fees.

ELS/th Attachment

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April 8, 2010

Ms. Apryl C. Lynn, Director Division of Administrative Services **Public Service Commission** 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Dear Ms. Lynn:

We reviewed your request to adjust your Department's records for uncollected accounts receivables totaling \$6,219.95. We are satisfied sufficient effort has been made to collect the amounts due and it is in the State's best interest to adjust your records.

Your request is hereby approved, pursuant to the provisions of Section 17.04, Florida Statutes. Collection efforts should be renewed if your agency becomes aware of additional information that would allow the collection of these claims.

Please contact Mike Rutherford at (850) 413-5594 or claimsforcollections@myfloridacfo.com if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Molly C. Merry

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Enclosure

STATE OF FLORIDA

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DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES APRYL C. LYNN DIRECTOR (850) 413-6330

Hublic Serbice Commission

October 27, 2009

Ms. Molly Merry
Bureau of Accounting
Financial Services
101 East Gaines Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0354

Dear, Ms. Merry:

The Public Service Commission has exercised reasonable efforts to collect fines from the utility referenced below. No response has been received, therefore further collection efforts would not be cost effective.

| DOCKET NUMBER | UTILITY NAME | TOTAL AMOUNT | | |
|---------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--|--|
| 090154-SU | West Lakeland Wastewater, Inc. | \$6,219.95 | | |

The Delinquent Accounts Receivable Transmittal form, a memorandum from the Commission's Office of the General Counsel, and other supporting documentation are enclosed. At your discretion, please grant this agency permission to write off the debt.

Sincerely,

Apryl C. Lynn

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cc: Office of the General Counsel (Saylor)
Division of Economic Regulation (Clapp)
Office of Commission Clerk (Cole)

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Request for Accounts Receivable Write-Off Template

| Agency Name: | Public Service Commission | |
|------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| GRC Acct Number | FLPSC | (GRC - General Revenue Corporation, State's Collection Vendor) |
| Contact Name: | Valoris P. Moore | |
| Contact Number: | (850) 413-5275 | |
| Contact Email: | Vmoore@PSC,State,FL.US | |
| Request Date: | 10/27/2009 | |

| Reference No. (Agency Reference Number for Debt) | Name of Debtor (Name of the Company or Individual) | Agency Location ID (Optional field for agencies with District or Regional Offices) | Original Due Date of Receivable (Date when the Debt orginally became Due) | Original Receivable Amount (Amount of the Original Debt) | Current Balance (Current Balance of the Debt) | Write-off Amount (Amount of the request for Write-off) | Collections Status 1 - Currently placed with GRC 2- Will be pleced with GRC 3- Will not be placed with GRC | Other Details Give any additional details to support why the debt is uncollectible, indicate if the Debtor is in Bankruptcy or has passed away, Etc. | Due Diligence Indicate how the Agency has satisfied the Due Diligence Requirement for the Debt per Chapter 691-21.003 F.A.C.(e.g., number of letters sent, etc.) |
|--|--|---|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| SU8 2 6 | West Lakeland Wastewater | | 2008-2009 | \$ 6,219.95 | \$ 6,219.95 | \$ 6,219.95 | 3 | Abandoned Utility | 3 Delinquent Documents |
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State of Florida



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-M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M-

DATE:

October 22, 2009

TO:

Karen Belcher, Director, Division of Administrative Services

FROM:

Erik L. Sayler, Senior Attorney, Office of the General Counsel

RE:

Request for Permission from Department of Financial Services to Write-Off the Penalty Imposed on West Lakeland Wastewater, Inc., pursuant to Order No. PSC-09-0607-FOF-SU, issued September 8, 2009, in Docket No. 090154-SU <u>In re: Notice of abandonment of wastewater system for The Village of Lakeland Mobile</u>

Home Park in Polk County, by West Lakeland Wastewater, Inc.

On March 30, 2009, Docket No. 090154-SU was established to address the notice of abandonment submitted by West Lakeland Wastewater, Inc. (the Utility), effective June 30, 2009. On June 22, 2009, the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit issued an order in Case No. 53-2009CA-005284, in which it declared West Lakeland Wastewater, Inc. abandoned and appointed Mr. Michael Smallridge as receiver of the wastewater system.

During the pendency of this proceeding, it was discovered that the Utility was in apparent violation of Sections 367.145, 367.161, and 350.113, Florida Statutes (F.S.), Rules 25-30.110, and 25-30.120, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). Commission staff contacted the former owners, by phone, letter, and email concerning the outstanding RAFs, penalties and interest owed to the Commission, and their failure to file annual reports. By phone, the former owners stated they could not pay the RAFs nor penalties and interest. The former owners did not respond to staff's letter or email concerning these outstanding amounts.

Order No. PSC-09-0607-FOF-SU, issued on September 8, 2009, acknowledged abandonment of the Utility and appointment of Mr. Smallridge as receiver. In addition, the order declined to show cause the former owners of the Utility for their failure to pay regulatory assessment fees, penalties and interest on those fees, and for failing to file annual reports because the Utility was abandoned and the likelihood of recovering any money from the former owners was minimal.

In its Order, the Commission found that the Utility had failed to timely submit, pursuant to Rule 25-30.120, F.A.C., its regulatory assessment fees (RAFs) and was assessed penalties and interested pursuant to statute and rule. The Utility made a partial payment of \$1,360.67 on May 31, 2008, for its 2007 RAFs, and no payment for its 2008 RAFs. Notices of delinquency for failure to remit the 2007 and 2008 RAFs were mailed to the Utility on April 22, 2008, and April 15, 2009, respectively. As of the date of receivership, June 22, 2009, the Utility owed delinquent

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RAFs for 2007 and 2008, respectively: \$3,961.53 in RAFs, \$856.62 in interest, and \$312.80 in penalties. The amount of 2009 RAFs owed from January 1, 2009, through June 22, 2009, is \$1,315.17; however, this amount will be the responsibility of the receiver.

The Commission also found that the Utility had failed to timely file, pursuant to Rule 25-30.120, F.A.C., its annual reports, and was assessed a penalty pursuant to the rule. Because the Utility was abandoned and was now in receivership, the Commission found good cause for the Utility's non-compliance, exercised its discretion in Rule 25-30.110(6), F.A.C., and did not assess the penalties set forth in Rule 25-30.110(7), F.A.C., for outstanding annual reports.

Because the Commission also found that further collection efforts would likely not be cost-effective and that collection of any fees is highly unrealistic, the Commission further ordered that the outstanding the RAFs, penalties and interest be sent to the Department of Financial Services for collection, and that the Division of Administrative Services shall request permission to write-off the uncollectible amount.

Therefore, staff requests that the Division of Administrative Services/Fiscal Services Section take the appropriate steps to seek permission from the Department of Financial Services to write-off the uncollectible the RAFs, penalties and interest for West Lakeland Wastewater, Inc.

ELS/els

cc: Valorie Moore Stephanie Clapp

¹ See Order No. PSC-95-0222-FOF-WU, issued February 17, 1995, in Docket No. 941122-WU, <u>In Re: Notice of abandonment of water system in Levy County by Manatee Utilities, Inc.</u>

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

BUREAU OF ACCOUNTING DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE TRANSMITTAL (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

AGENCY FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION DATE October 22, 2009 PAGE 1 OF 1 CONTACT KAREN BELCHER, DIRECTOR, FISCAL SERVICES

PHONE NUMBER 850-413-6273

FLAIR ACCOUNT CODE FLAIR ACCOUNT CODES: 61 50 2 573003 610100 00 000100 61 74 1 000331 610100 00 001200

| 1. | Docket No. 090154-SU | WEST LAKELAN | D WASTEWATER, INC | | | |
|---------|---------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| | Agency Reference # Last Name | First M Socia | l Security # | DFS use only | | |
| | P.O.BOX 266, EATON PARK, FI | LORIDA 33840 | | | | |
| | | Last Known Address (In- | | | | |
| | 863-581-7514/863-665-1748 | \$3,961.53 | \$1,169.42 | \$1,089.00 | \$6,219.95 | |
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1. RETURNED CHECK 2. NONPAYMENT FOR STATE GOODS/SERVICES 3. DAMAGE TO STATE PROPERTY 7. COURT ORDER 8. FINES 9. OVERPAYMENT OF STATE FUNDS

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