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Subject:

Filing in Docket No.: 100301-WS; Lake Placid Utilities, Inc.'s Application for an Amendment to

Water Certificate No. 414-W and Wastewater Certificate No. 347-S in Highlands County,

Florida

Importance: High

Attachments: PSC Clerk 04 (NOF Affidavit of Mailing - Notice to Customers).ltr.05-28-2010(8).pdf

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- b. Docket No.: 100301-WS; Lake Placid Utilities, Inc.'s Application for an Amendment to Water Certificate No. 414-W and Wastewater Certificate No. 347-S in Highlands County, Florida - Filing a Notice of Filing and the Affidavit of Mailing evidencing that the Notice of Customer Meeting to discuss Lake Placid Utilities, Inc.'s Application to extend its water and wastewater service areas has been sent to the customers of Lake Placid Utilities, Inc.
- c. Lake Placid Utilities, Inc.
- d. 7 Pages.
- e. Letter to Commission Clerk 1 page; Notice of Filing 1 page; Affidavit of Mailing 1 page; and Notice of Customer Meeting 4 pages.

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RE:

Docket No.: 100301-WS; Lake Placid Utilities, Inc.'s Application for an Amendment to

Water Certificate No. 414-W and Wastewater Certificate No. 347-S in Highlands County,

Florida

Our File No.: 30057,187

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket is a Notice of Filing and the Affidavit of Mailing evidencing that the attached Notice of Customer Meeting to discuss Lake Placid Utilities, Inc.'s Application to extend its water and wastewater service areas has been sent to the customers of Lake Placid Utilities, Inc.

Should you or Staff have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Very truly yours,

CHRISTIAN W. MARCELLI

For the Firm

CWM/tlc Enclosures

cc:

Steven M. Lubertozzi, Executive Director of Reg. Acctg & Affairs (w/encs.) (via e-mail)

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: Application of LAKE PLACID UTILITIES, INC., for amendment to water and wastewater certificates in Highlands County, Florida

DOCKET NO. 100301-WS

NOTICE OF FILING

Applicant, LAKE PLACID UTILITIES, INC., by and through its undersigned attorneys, hereby gives notice of filing in the above-referenced docket the Affidavit of Mailing evidencing that the Notice of Customer Meeting has been mailed to the customers of Lake Placid Utilities, Inc.

Respectfully submitted on this 28th day of May, 2010, by:

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STATE OF ILLINOIS

COUNTY OF COOK

Before me, the undersigned authority, authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared John Hoy, who, after being duly sworn on oath, did depose on oath and say that he is the Chief Operating Officer of Utilities, Inc., the sole shareholder of Lake Placid Utilities, Inc., and that on May 25, 2010, he did send by regular U.S. Mail, a copy of the Notice of Customer Meeting, attached hereto, to all customers of the utility.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

Print Name: John H

Print Title: Chief Operating Officer

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26th day of May, 2010, by John Hoy, who is personally known to me.

ERIN P POVICH
OFFICIAL SEAL
Notary Public, State of Illinois
My Commission Expires
April 30, 2011

Print Name: Erin Povich

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: April 30, 2011

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF CUSTOMER MEETINGS

TO THE CUSTOMERS OF LAKE PLACID UTILITIES, INC.

AND

ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

DOCKET NO. 090531-WU

APPLICATION OF LAKE PLACID UTILITIES, INC.

FOR A STAFF-ASSISTED RATE CASE IN HIGHLANDS COUNTY

Issued: Issued: May 25, 2010

Notice is hereby given that the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission will conduct a customer meeting to discuss the application of Lake Placid Utilities, Inc (Lake Placid or Utility) for a staff-assisted rate case in Highlands County. The meeting will be held at the following time and place:

6:00 p.m., Thursday, June 10, 2010 DeeAnn Lakefront Estates Clubhouse 409 Stephen Drive Lake Placid, FL 33852

All persons who wish to comment are urged to be present at the beginning of the meeting, since the meeting may be adjourned early if no customers are present. One or more of the Commissioners of the Florida Public Service Commission may attend and participate in this meeting. The meeting will begin as scheduled and will continue until all the customers have been heard.

If a named storm or other disaster requires cancellation of the meeting, Commission staff will attempt to give timely direct notice to the parties. Notice of cancellation of the meeting will also be provided on the Commission's website (http://www.psc.state.fl.us/) under the Hot Topics link found on the home page. Cancellation can also be confirmed by calling the Office of the General Counsel at 850-413-6199.

Any person requiring some accommodation at the customer meeting(s) because of a physical impairment should call the Office of Commission Clerk at (850) 413-6770 at least five calendar days prior to the meeting(s). Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this meeting is to give customers and other interested persons an opportunity to offer comments to the Public Service Commission Staff regarding the quality of service the Utility provides, the proposed rate increase, and to ask questions and comment on staff's preliminary rates included in this notice as well as other issues. Staff members will summarize Lake Placid's proposed filing, the preliminary work accomplished, and answer questions to the extent possible. A representative from the Utility has also been invited to respond to questions.

At the beginning of the meeting, procedures will be established for the order of comments. The Public Service Commission Staff will have sign-up sheets, and customers will be called to speak in the order that they sign-up. Public Service Commission Staff will be available to coordinate customers' comments and to assist members of the public.

Any person who wishes to comment or provide information to staff may do so at the meetings, orally or in writing. Written comments may also be sent to the Commission at the address given at the end of this notice. Your letter will be placed in the correspondence file of this docket. You may also submit comments through the Public Service Commission's toll-free facsimile line at 1-800-511-0809.

BACKGROUND

Lake Placid Utilities, Inc. (Lake Placid or utility), is a Class B utility providing water and wastewater service to approximately 122 water and 192 wastewater customers in Highlands County. Lake Placid is located in the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD), a critical use area. According to its 2008 annual report, Lake Placid reported revenues of \$52,212 and \$82,100 for water and wastewater, respectively. Lake Placid reported a net operating income loss of \$60,639 for water and a net operating loss of \$75,021 for wastewater. The test period for setting rates is the historical twelve-month period ended December 31, 2008.

Lake Placid was granted Certificate Nos. 414-W and 347-S in 1993. The Utility last established rates for Lake Placid in 2006. 2

On December 8, 2009 Lake Placid filed an application for a for a staff-assisted rate case (SARC) and paid the appropriate filing fee on January 19, 2010. Staff will conducted a field investigation of the Utility's plant and service area on June 10, 2010.

CURRENT AND PRELIMINARY RATES AND CHARGES

Staff has compiled the following rates and charges for the purpose of discussion at the customer meeting. These rates are preliminary and subject to change based on information

See Order No. PSC-93-1448-FOF-WS, issued December 27, 1994, in Docket No. 930570-WS, <u>In re: Application for transfer of Certificates Nos. 414-W and 347-S From Lake Placid Utilities to Lake Placid Utilities, Inc.</u>
 See Order No. PSC-07-0287-PAA-WS, issued April 3, 2007, in Docket No. 060260-WS, <u>In re: Application for PSC-07-0287-PAA-WS</u>

² See Order No. PSC-07-0287-PAA-WS, issued April 3, 2007, in Docket No. 060260-WS, <u>In re: Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Highlands County</u>.

gathered at the customer meeting, further staff review, and the final decision by the Commissioners. The Utility's current and staff's preliminary rates and charges are as follows:

Residential, General and Multi Service Water Rates

Base Facility Charge By Meter Size	Existing BFC Monthly Rate	Preliminary Monthly Rate
5/8" x 3/4"	\$12.71	15.76
3/4"	\$19.07	\$23.64
1"	\$31.78	\$39.40
1-1/2*	\$63.54	\$78.80
2"	\$101.67	\$126.08
3"	\$203.33	\$252.16
4"	\$317.21	\$394.00
6"	\$635.42	\$788.00
Gallonage Charge RS Gallonage charge (All gallons)	\$3.67	\$6.88
GS Gallonage charge (All gallons)	\$3.67	\$6.88
MS Gallonage charge (All gallons)	\$3.67	\$6.88

Residential, General and Multi Service Wastewater Rates

Base Facility Charge By Meter Size	Existing BFC Monthly Rate	Preliminary Monthly Rate
Residential Service All Meter Size"	\$16.66	\$19.72
RS Gallonage charge (Capped at 6,000 gallons)	\$5.20	\$6.52
General and Multi Service		
5/8" x 3/4"	\$16.66	\$19.72
3/4"	\$41.66	\$29.58
1"	\$41.66	\$49.30
1-1/2"	\$83.32	\$98.60
2"	\$133.32	\$ 157.76
3"	\$266.63	\$315.52
4"	\$416.62	\$493.00
6 ⁿ	\$833.26	\$986.00
GS Gallonage charge (Per 1,000 gallons) MS Gallonage charge (All gallons)	\$6.24 \$6.24	\$7.82 \$7.82
DeeAnn Estates		
Dee Ann Bulk Rate	\$567.95	\$672.45
DeeAnn Bulk Gallonage Charge	\$4.99	\$5.22
Flat Rate for unmetered Residential Customers	\$0.00	\$32.11

STAFF REPORTS AND UTILITY APPLICATION

The results of staff's preliminary investigation are contained in a staff report dated May 24, 2010. Copies of the report may be examined by interested members of the public from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday at the following location:

Sebring Public Library 319 West Center Avenue Sebring, FL 33870

PROCEDURES AFTER CUSTOMER MEETINGS

After the meetings, Public Service Commission Staff will prepare a recommendation which is scheduled to be submitted to the Public Service Commission on July 22, 2010. The Public Service Commission will then vote on staff's recommendation at its August 3, 2010 agenda conference. The Commission will thereafter issue a proposed agency action (PAA) order containing rates which may be different from those contained in staff's final recommendation. Substantially affected persons have 21 days from the date the PAA order is issued to protest the Commission's proposed agency action order. Five to ten customers or persons who attend the meeting and who wish to receive a copy of the recommendation and the order should so indicate at the meeting. Those individuals are expected to distribute the information in the recommendation and the order to other customers. Anyone who is unable to attend and who wishes to obtain a copy of the recommendation or the order may do so in writing to the Commission at the address at the end of this notice.

HOW TO CONTACT THE COMMISSION

Written comments regarding the Utility and the proposed rates, and requests to be placed on the mailing list for this case, may be directed to this address:

Director, Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

All correspondence should refer to "Docket No. 090531-WU, Lake Placid Utilities, Inc."

If you wish to contact the Commission regarding complaints about service, you may call the Commission's Division of Consumer Affairs at the following toll-free number: 1-800-342-3552.

This notice was prepared by Commission Staff for distribution by the Utility to its customers.