

***Neighborhood Utilities, Inc.***

*4551 Shirley Ave.  
Jacksonville, Florida 32210  
Phone (904)387-0487  
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October 9, 2015

The Honorable Lenny Curry  
Mayor of Jacksonville  
City Hall at St. James Building  
117 W. Duval St., Suite 400  
Jacksonville, FL 32202

Re: Rate Case  
Florida Public Service Commission  
Neighborhood Utilities in Duval County  
Docket No. 150181-WU

Dear Mayor Curry:

We are required by Section 367.145(2), Florida Statutes, to advise you as Chief Executive Officer of Duval County, Florida, by copy of our application attached, that we have made application for new rates.

For your additional information, we have also enclosed a map of our service area in West Jacksonville.

Best Regards,

  
W. Larry O'Steen  
President

Copy: Florida Public Service Commission 

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**FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**APPLICATION FOR A  
STAFF ASSISTED RATE CASE**

**I. GENERAL DATA**

A. Name of Utility: **Neighborhood Utilities, Inc.**

B. Address: **4551 Shirley Ave.  
Jacksonville, FL 32210**

1. Telephone Nos.: (904) 387-0487
2. County: **Duval**
3. General Area Served: **West side**

Nearest City: **Jacksonville**

C. Authority:

1. Water Certificate No. **430-W**
2. Wastewater Certificate No. **N/A**
3. Date Utility Started Operations: **Water: 1983**

Date Received: **9/28/1984**

Date Received:

Wastewater:

D. How System Was Acquired: **Original developer/owner**

If utility was purchased, give date

Amount Paid \$

1. Name of Seller: **Colt Development Corporation**
2. Was seller affiliated with present owners?  Yes  No
3. Did you purchase:  Stock  or assets only

E. Type of Legal Entity:

Corporation  Partnership  Sole Proprietorship

F. Ownership & Officers:

	Name	Title	Percent Ownership
1.	<u>W Larry O'Steen</u>	<u>President</u>	<u>100</u>
2.	<u></u>	<u></u>	<u></u>
3.	<u></u>	<u></u>	<u></u>
4.	<u></u>	<u></u>	<u></u>

G. List of Associated Companies and Addresses:

Colt Development Corporation 4551 Shirley Ave. Jacksonville, FL 32210

H. If you have retained an attorney and/or a consultant to represent the utility for this application, furnish the name(s) and address(es):

Name:

Address:

II. ACCOUNTING DATA

A. Outside Accountant

1. Name: C R Wintz, CPA
2. Firm: C R WINTZ, CPA, PA
3. Address: 4551 Shirley Ave , Jacksonville, FL 32210
4. Telephone: (904) 389 7111

B. Individual To Contact On Accounting Matters:

1. Name: C R Wintz
2. Telephone: (904) 389 7111

C. Location of Books and Records: 4551 Shirley Ave., Jacksonville, FL 32210

D. Have you filed an Annual Report with the Commission?  Yes  No

Date Last Filed: 4/30/2015

E. Has your latest Regulatory Assessment Fee Payment been made? Partial payment (January 30 or July 30 whichever is applicable)  Jan 30  July 30

F. Basic Rate Base Data: (Most recent two years)

1. Water:

Cost of Plant In Service

	2013	2014
\$	646,549	\$ 646,567

Less Accumulated Depreciation

	448,779	462,169
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Less Contributed Plant

	234,852	221,235
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Net Owner's Investment

\$	(36,852)	\$ (36,837)
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2. Wastewater: N/A

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Cost of Plant In Service	\$ _____	\$ _____
Less Accumulated Depreciation	_____	_____
Less Contributed Plant	_____	_____
Net Owner's Investment	\$ _____	\$ _____

G. Basic Income Statement: (Most recent two years)

1. Water:

Revenues (By Class)

	2013	2014
a. Residential	\$ 128,840	\$ 129,228
b. General	1654	1856
c. other	2628	2156

Total Operating Revenues:	\$ 133,122	\$ 133,234
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Less Expenses:

a. Salaries & Wages - Employees	18,000	17,777
b. Salaries & Wages - Officers, Directors, & Majority Stockholders	26,400	26,400
c. Employee Pensions & Benefits		
d. Purchased Water		
e. Purchased Power	4,958	5,150
f. Fuel for Power Production		
g. Chemicals	4,768	4,805
h. Materials & Supplies	242	279
i. Contractual Services	19,765	18,206
j. Rents	7,580	7,500
k. Transportation Expenses	4,835	4,987
l. Insurance Expense	4,061	4,486
m. Regulatory Commission Expense		
n. Bad Debt Expense	350	267
o. Miscellaneous Expense	35,124	34,129
p. Depreciation Expense	13,389	13,390
q. Property Taxes	3,985	4,188
r. Other Taxes	8,425	6,784
s. Income Taxes		

Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (18,740)	\$ (15,134)
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2. **Wastewater**

Revenues (By Class):

- a.
- b.
- c.

Total Operating Revenues:

Less Expenses:

- a. Salaries & Wages - Employees
- b. Salaries & Wages - Officers, Directors, & Majority Stockholders
- c. Employee Pensions & Benefits
- d. Purchased Wastewater Treatment
- e. Sludge Removal Expense
- f. Purchased Power
- g. Fuel for Power Production
- h. Chemicals
- i. Materials & Supplies
- j. Contractual Services
- k. Rents
- l. Transportation Expenses
- m. Insurance Expense
- n. Regulatory Commission Expense
- o. Bad Debt Expense
- p. Miscellaneous Expense
- q. Depreciation Expense
- r. Property Taxes
- s. Other Taxes
- t. Income Taxes

Operating Income (Loss)

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H. Outstanding Debt:

	Creditor	Date Borrowed	Balance Due	Interest Rate	Expiration Date
1.	<u>U S WATER</u>	<u>10/29/10</u>	<u>9,686</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10/28/16</u>
2.	<u>Lanis O'Steen</u>	<u>5/1/12</u>	<u>48,909</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>demand</u>
3.	<u>Loy O'Steen</u>	<u>5/1/12</u>	<u>46,529</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>demand</u>
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

I. Indicate Type of Tax Return Field:

- X Form 1120 -Corporation
- Form 1120S -Subchapter S Corporation
- Form 1065 - Partnership
- Form 1040 - Schedule C - Individual (Proprietorship)

III

ENGINEERING DATA

A. Outside Engineering Consultant:

- 1. Name: James M Lucas
- 2. Firm: J Lucas and Associates
- 3. Address: 1305 Cedar Street, Jacksonville, FL 32207
- 4. Telephone: (904) 396 3060

B. Individual to contact on engineering matters:

- 1. Name: James M Lucas
- 2. Telephone: (904) 396 3060

C. Is the utility under citation by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) or County Health Department?  
If yes, explain: no

D. List any known service deficiencies and steps taken to remedy problems:

E. Name of plant operator(s) and DEP operator certificate number(s) held: US Water Services Corporation

F. Is the utility serving customers outside of its certificated area? no  
If yes, explain:

G. Wastewater: N/A

- 1. Gallons per day capacity of treatment facilities:
  - a. Existing:
  - b. Under Construction:
  - c. Proposed:
- 2. Type and make of present treatment facilities:

3. Approximate average daily flow of treatment plant effluent:

4. Approximate length of wastewater mains:

Size (diameter):					
Linear feet:					

- 5. Number of manholes:
- 6. Number of lift stations:
- 7. How do you measure treatment plant effluent?
- 8. Is the treatment plant effluent chlorinated?  Yes  No

If yes, what is the normal dosage rate?

- 9. Tap in fees – Wastewater: \$
- 10. Service availability fees – Wastewater: \$
- 11. Note DEP Treatment Plant Certificate Number and date of expiration:  
Number Expiration Date:
- 12. Total gallons treated during most recent twelve months:
- 13. Wastewater treatment purchased during most recent twelve months:

H. Water:

- 1. Gallons per day capacity of treatment facilities:  
a. Existing: 360,000                      b. Under Construction : 0                      c. Proposed: 0
- 2. Type of treatment: **Aeration and chlorination**
- 3. Approximate average daily flow of treated water: **80,000**
- 4. Source of water supply: **Floridan Aquifer**
- 5. Types of chemicals used and their normal dosage rates: **Liquid chlorine**
- 6. Number of wells in service: **1**  
Total capacity in gallons per minute (gpm):

Diameter/Depth:	<b>12x8</b> / <b>900</b>		
Motor horsepower:	<b>10</b>		
Pump capacity (gpm):	<b>250</b>		

7. Reservoirs and/or hydropneumatic tanks:

Description:	<b>Ground storage</b>	<b>Ground storage</b>	<b>hydropneumatic</b>
Capacity:	<b>20,000 gal</b>	<b>40,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>

8. High service pumping:

Motor horsepower:	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>		
Pump capacity (gpm):	<b>250</b>	<b>300</b>		

9. How do you measure treatment plant production? **Raw water meter**

10. Approximate feet of water mains:

Size (diameter):	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>
Linear feet:	<b>280</b>	<b>13,589</b>	<b>2,818</b>	<b>1,937</b>	<b>3,165</b>

11. Note any fire flow requirements and imposing government agency:

12. Number of fire hydrants in service: **26**

- 13. Do you have a meter change out program?  No  Yes
- 14. Meter installation or tap in fees - Water \$ 90.00
- 15. Service availability fees - Water \$ 20.0 See attached sheet nos. 19.0 and 20.0
- 16. Has the existing treatment facility been approved by DEP?  No  Yes
- 17. Total gallons pumped during most recent twelve months: 27,768,000
- 18. Total gallons sold during most recent twelve months: 26,899,000
- 19. Gallons unaccounted for during most recent twelve months: 689,000
- 20. Gallons purchased during most recent twelve months: 361,000

**IV. RATE DATA**

**A. Individual to contact on tariff matters:**

- 1. Name: W Larry O'Steen
- 2. Telephone Number: (904) 387 0487

**B. Schedule of present rates: (Attach additional sheets if more space is needed)**

1. Water:

- a. Residential Water
- b. General Service
- c. Special Contract
- d. Other - Specify

See attached sheet no ~~20.0~~ 13.0

See attached sheet no ~~19.0~~ 12.0

2. Wastewater: N/A

- a. Residential Wastewater
- b. General Service
- c. Special Contract
- d. Other - Specify

**C. Number of Customers: (Most recent two years)**

1. Water Metered

- a. Residential
- b. General Service
- c. Special Contract
- d. Other - Specify

**2013**

**2014**

385

389

4

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2. Water Unmetered N/A

- a. Residential
- b. General Service
- c. Special Contract
- d. Other - Specify

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3. Wastewater N/A

- a. Residential
- b. General Service
- c. Special Contract
- d. Other - Specify


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**V. AFFIRMATION**

I, W Larry O'Steen the undersigned owner, officer, or partner of the above named public utility, doing business in the State of Florida and subject to the control and jurisdiction of the Florida Public Service Commission, certify that the statements set forth herein are true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief.

Signed 

Title President

Notice: Section 837.06, Florida Statutes, provides that any person who knowingly makes a false statement in writing with the intent to mislead a public servant in the performance of his duty shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree.

RESIDENTIAL SERVICE

RATE SCHEDULE (RS)

- AVAILABILITY - Available throughout the area served by the Company.
- APPLICABILITY - For water service for all purposes in private residences and individually metered apartment units.
- LIMITATIONS - Subject to all of the Rules and Regulations of this Tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.
- BILLING PERIOD - Monthly

RATE -

<u>Meter Sizes</u>	<u>Base Facility Charge</u>
5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 9.17
3/4"	\$ 13.76
1"	\$ 22.94
1-1/2"	\$ 45.86
2"	\$ 73.39
3"	\$ 146.77
4"	\$ 229.33
6"	\$ 458.67
Charge per 1,000 gallons	
0 - 6,000 gallons	\$ 2.40
6,001 - 12,000 gallons	\$ 3.60
Over 12,000 gallons	\$ 4.80

- MINIMUM CHARGE - Base Facility Charge
- TERMS OF PAYMENT - Bills are due and payable when rendered. In accordance with Rule 25-30.320, Florida Administrative Code, if a Customer is delinquent in paying the bill for water service, service may then be discontinued.
- EFFECTIVE DATE - September 30, 2015
- TYPE OF FILING - Reorganization to Conform to Model Tariff

GENERAL SERVICE

RATE SCHEDULE (GS)

- AVAILABILITY - Available throughout the area served by the Company.
- APPLICABILITY - For water service to all Customers for which no other schedule applies.
- LIMITATIONS - Subject to all of the Rules and Regulations of this Tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Commission.
- BILLING PERIOD - Monthly

RATE -

<u>Meter Sizes</u>	<u>Base Facility Charge</u>
5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 9.17
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4"	\$ 229.33
6"	\$ 458.67
Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$ 2.45

- MINIMUM CHARGE - Base Facility Charge
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NEIGHBORHOOD UTILITIES, INC. current service area map 2/1/2013 (PSC certificate 430-W ; FDEP PWS ID # 2164279)  
 447 total current services. 319 current (+200 future) have NUI water and JEA sewer. 128 have NUI water and septic tank sewer

