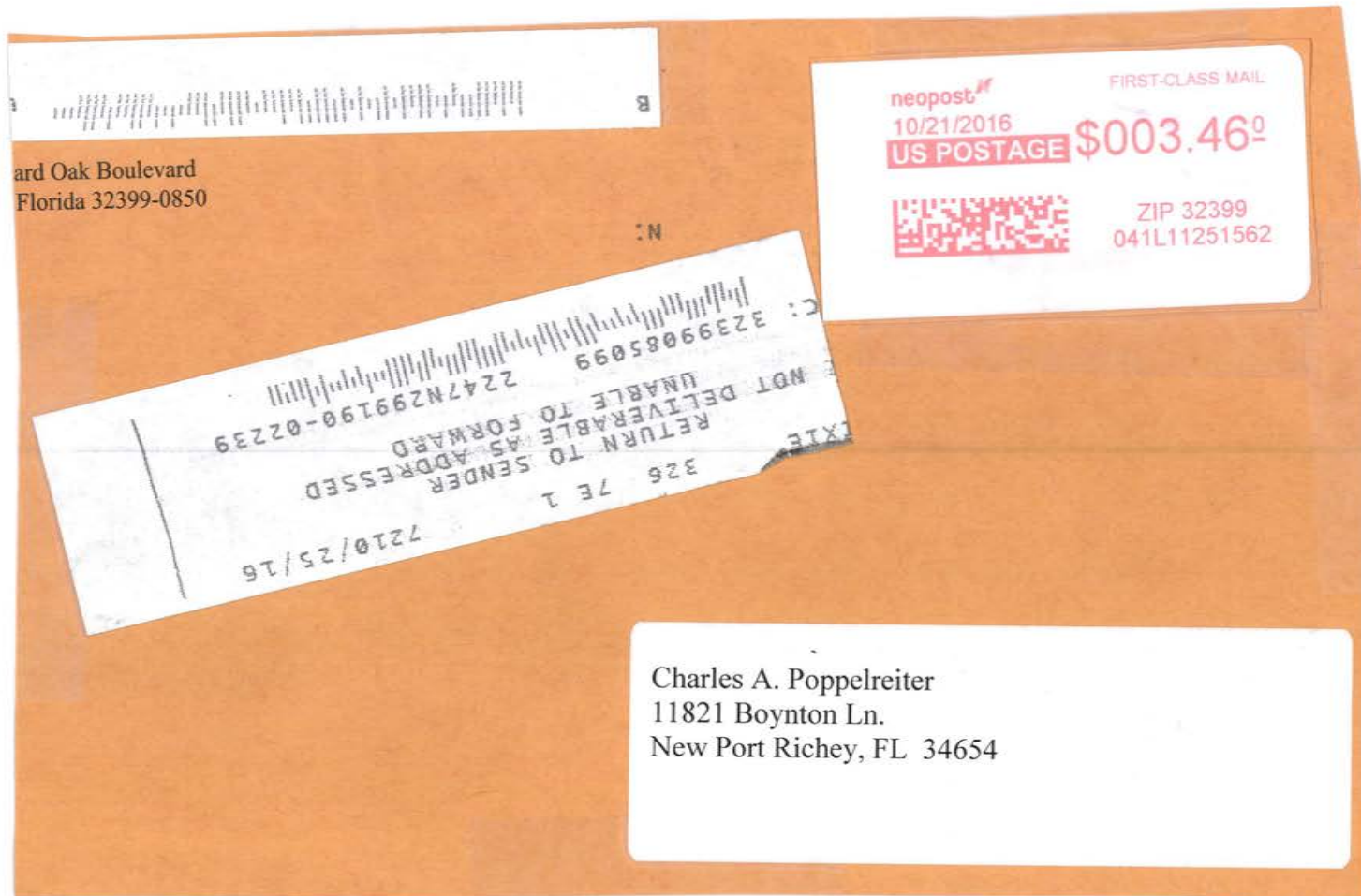


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**RE:** Docket No. 160101-WS – Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Charlotte, Highlands, Lake, Lee, Marion, Orange, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, and Seminole Counties by Utilities, Inc. of Florida.

**AGENDA:** 11/01/16 – Regular Agenda – For Issues 1-4, Decision on Suspension of Rates and Interim Rates – Participation is at the discretion of the Commission. For Issue 5 – Proposed Agency Action – Interested Persons May Participate

**COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED:** All Commissioners

**PREHEARING OFFICER:** Brisé

**CRITICAL DATES:** 10/30/16 (60-Day Suspension Date Waived by Company to 11/1/16)  
1/8/2017 (Petition for Waiver deemed approved if not granted within 90 days of receipt)

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:** None

### Case Background

Utilities, Inc. of Florida (UIF or Utility) is a Class A utility providing water and wastewater service to 27 systems in the following counties: Charlotte, Highlands, Lake, Lee, Marion, Orange, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, and Seminole. As the result of a recent corporate reorganization and name change, UIF is the sole surviving corporation that owns and operates the water and

wastewater systems that are the subject of this rate case application. UIF is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Utilities, Inc. (UI).

In 2015, the Utility recorded total company operating revenues of \$13,336,372 and \$15,094,296 for water and wastewater, respectively. UIF reported net operating income for 2015 of \$1,682,158 for water and \$3,222,388 for wastewater. In 2015, UIF had 34,022 and 32,524 respective water and wastewater customers for its combined systems. The following table reflects the rate proceeding in which rates were last established for UIF's systems.

#### Last Proceedings Establishing Rates for UIF Systems

Former Utility Name	Order	Issuance Date
Lake Placid Utilities, Inc.	PSC-14-0335-PAA-WS	June 30, 2014
Cypress Lakes Utilities, Inc.	PSC-14-0283-PAA-WS	May 30, 2014
Lake Utility Services, Inc.	PSC-11-0514-PAA-WS	November 3, 2011
Utilities, Inc. of Pennbrooke	PSC-12-0667-PAA-WS	December 26, 2012
Utilities, Inc. of Eagle Ridge	PSC-11-0587-PAA-SU	December 21, 2011
Labrador Utilities, Inc.	PSC-15-0208-PAA-WS	May 26, 2015
Mid-County Services, Inc.	PSC-12-0389-PAA-SU	July 27, 2012
Tierra Verde Utilities, Inc.	PSC-09-0372-PAA-SU	May 27, 2009
Utilities, Inc. of Longwood	PSC-10-0407-PAA-SU	June 21, 2010
Sanlando Utilities Corporation	PSC-15-0233-PAA-WS	June 3, 2015
Utilities Inc., of Florida (Marion and Seminole Counties)	PSC-16-0296-PAA-WS	June 27, 2016
Utilities Inc., of Florida (Orange, Pasco and Pinellas County)	PSC-14-0025-PAA-WS	January 10, 2014

On November 2, 2015, Cypress Lake Utilities, Inc. (Cypress Lakes), Utilities, Inc. of Eagle Ridge (Eagle Ridge), Utilities, Inc. of Florida (UIF-Marion, UIF-Pinellas, UIF-Orange, UIF-Pasco, and UIF-Seminole), Labrador Utilities, Inc. (Labrador), Lake Placid Utilities, Inc. (Lake Placid), Lake Utility Services, Inc. (LUSI), Utilities, Inc. of Longwood (Longwood), Mid-County Services, Inc. (Mid-County), Utilities, Inc. of Pennbrooke (Pennbrooke), Utilities Inc. of Sandalhaven (Sandalhaven), Sanlando Utilities Corporation (Sanlando), and Tierra Verde Utilities, Inc. (Tierra Verde) filed a joint application for acknowledgement of corporate reorganization and approval of name change. By Order No. PSC-16-0143-FOF-WS, issued April 12, 2016, the Commission acknowledged the corporate reorganization and name change of UI's 12 subsidiaries in Florida.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Order No. PSC-16-0143-FOF-WS, issued April 12, 2016, in Docket No. 150235-WS, *In re: Joint application for acknowledgement of corporate reorganization and request for approval of name changes on water and/or wastewater certificates of Cypress Lakes Utilities, Inc. in Polk County; Utilities, Inc. of Eagle Ridge in Lee County; Utilities, Inc. of Florida in Marion, Orange, Pasco, Pinellas, and Seminole Counties; Labrador Utilities, Inc. in Pasco County; Lake Placid Utilities, Inc. in Highlands County; Lake Utility Services, Inc. in Lake County; Utilities, Inc. of Longwood in Seminole County; Mid-County Services, Inc. in Pinellas County; Utilities, Inc. of Pennbrooke in Lake County; Utilities, Inc. of Sandalhaven in Charlotte County; Sanlando Utilities Corporation in Seminole County; and Tierra Verde Utilities, Inc. in Pinellas County, to Utilities, Inc. of Florida.*