

ROYAL WATERWORKS, INC.

November 10, 2023

Office of Commission Clerk
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

RE: Docket No. 20230081-WS – Application for increase in water and wastewater rates in Broward County by Royal Waterworks, Inc. – Response to Staff’s Second Data Request

Dear Commission Clerk:

Royal Waterworks, Inc. (Royal) hereby submits its response to Staff’s Second Data Request dated November 6, 2023.

1. Please provide the following information with regard to the identified accounts.
 - a. **603/703 - Salaries & Wages – Officer:** Please provide an explanation for the officer’s salary calculation of \$2,500 monthly for water and \$2,333 monthly for wastewater.

Response: See Royal’s response to Staff Audit filed with the Commission Clerk’s Office: Document No. **05916-2023**.

- b. **675 - Miscellaneous Expense:** Please explain how often lime removal is performed on ponds.

Response: As stated in Royal’s response to Staff’s First Data Request, the amount of lime directed to the ponds varies depending on the water quality, the water demand, etc., so the cleaning of the pond is done as needed. Since Royal was purchased in 2019, these ponds have been cleaned twice previously. Due to the large amount that was in the pond, this was necessary again in order to dispose of the reject water. Based upon this information, it appears that this occurs every 2 years. There will be another removal scheduled next year. Royal believes this pro forma expense should be amortized over a two-year period.

- c. **371 - Pumping Equipment:** Please provide the plant additions and retirements for the test year.

Response: See attached invoices. These were previously provided to the FPSC auditors. Also, the Depreciation Schedules showing the additions and retirements have been provided to the auditors during the audit process.

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d. **371 – Pumping Equipment:** Please provide descriptions and costs for requested pro forma adjustments.

Response: This has previously been provided in Royal’s response to Staff’s First Data Request. (Document No. **05708-2023**) These adjustments are for the Wire Harness Replacement and the Control Panel. Also, the documentation was previously provided in Document No. **05492-2023** filed in the docket.

2. Please refer to revised Schedule B-1. For water net operating income, in column 6, the Utility’s proposed revenues do not match the proposed revenues shown on revised schedule E-2, column 13. Please explain why the proposed revenues differ by \$522.

Response: This difference was caused by rounding in the calculation of the gallonage charge. The actual amount calculated was \$3.535748286. The Excel calculation rounded to two decimal places and resulted in \$3.53. When this penny difference was multiplied by the total gallons – it caused this small difference of \$522.

3. Please refer to revised Schedule B-2. For wastewater net operating income, in column 6, the Utility’s proposed revenues do not match the proposed revenues shown on revised schedule E-2 for wastewater, column 11. Please explain why the proposed revenues differ by \$1,798.

Response: This difference was caused when the rates were calculated. The rate calculation incorrectly did not include the pro forma adjustment to Depreciation Expense on Schedule B-2, column 3. Therefore, the proposed wastewater rates only produce revenues of \$803,767 which does not include the pro forma depreciation expense adjustment.

4. Please refer to Schedule F-6. What are the diameters of the gravity and force collection mains?

Response: See below:

Gravity Sewer System	
Size	LF
8" PVC	27,449
8" VCP	7,135
12" CIP	31
Force Main	
6" DIP	6,700

5. Please refer to Schedule F-7 when filling out the table.

	Residential Lots	General Service Lots
Water distribution system	450	5
Wastewater collection system	450	5

Response: The entire water and wastewater systems are built out and are surrounded by the City of Coral Springs. All residential lots are connected to the water and wastewater systems and all residential customers also have irrigation connections. There are 450 residential lots in the subdivisions, Coral Trace, Carriage Point, and Coventry. The General Service or Commercial customers consists of a condominium complex – Ramblewood East; two shopping plazas: Riverside Square & Royal Eagle Plaza; a couple of stand alone fast food restaurants; a couple of gas station/convenience stores; an auto parts store; and banks. There aren't any "lots" for these commercial customers.

6. Please refer to Royal's response to staff's first data request 8(a), dated October 18, 2023 (Document Number 05708-2023, page 2). Is the Clearwell tank considered a storage tank or is it used to disinfect the water?

Response: This is storage where the high service pumps pull treated water out of for distribution.

If you have questions or require any more information, please contact me at 727-848-8292, ext. 245 or via email at trendell@uswatercorp.net.

Respectfully,



Troy Rendell
Vice President
Investor Owned Utilities
// for Royal Waterworks, Inc.

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INVOICE

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Invoice Number: S159763
Invoice Date: 9/30/2022
Due Date: 10/30/2022

Bill To: Royal Waterworks, Inc.
4939 Cross Bayou Boulevard
Attn: Joe Gabay
New Port Richey, FL 34652

All pricing anticipates payment by check or ACH. Due to additional cost incurred, services paid by credit card will require an additional 5% processing fee.

Job Number: J01542
Job Description: Royal Waterworks, Inc.

Customer ID: C00953
P.O. Number:
WA:

Date	Item/Description	Task Number	Qty.	Unit	Unit Price	Total Price
7/31/2022	Subcontract used to complete scope of work	2062	1	Each	464.87	464.87
7/26/2022	Installed level alarm system at Master Lift station					

Entered: HR
COA Code: 371
Approved: JG R
Paid: ck# 1235
Date: 10/27/22

Phone: (727) 848-8292 Ext. 219
Toll Free: (866) 753-8292 Ext. 219
Email: ar@uswatercorp.net

Subtotal: 464.87
Total Sales Tax: 0.00
Total USD: 464.87
Adjustments: 0.00
Amount Due: 464.87

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Invoice Number: S170712
Invoice Date: 3/31/2023
Due Date: 4/30/2023

All pricing anticipates payment by check or ACH. Due to additional cost incurred, services paid by credit card will require an additional 5% processing fee.

Bill To: Royal Waterworks, Inc.
4939 Cross Bayou Boulevard
Attn: Joe Gabay
New Port Richey, FL 34652

Job Number: J01542
Job Description: Royal Waterworks, Inc.

Customer ID: C00953
P.O. Number:
WA:

Date	Item/Description	Task Number	Qty.	Unit	Unit Price	Total Price
3/27/2023	Subcontracts used to complete scope of work Emergency calls on 11/22/22 and 12/1/22 for master lift station	2085	1	Each	1,347.50	1,347.50

Entered: MB
COA Code: 371
Approved: JG
Paid: ck # 1281
Date: 4/26/23

Phone: (727) 848-8292 Ext. 219
Toll Free: (866) 753-8292 Ext. 219
Email: ar@uswatercorp.net

Subtotal: 1,347.50
Total Sales Tax: 0.00
Total USD: 1,347.50
Adjustments: 0.00
Amount Due: 1,347.50

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Invoice Number: SI70715
Invoice Date: 3/31/2023
Due Date: 4/30/2023

Bill To: Royal Waterworks, Inc.
4939 Cross Bayou Boulevard
Attn: Joe Gabay
New Port Richey, FL 34652

All pricing anticipates payment by check or ACH. Due to additional cost incurred, services paid by credit card will require an additional 5% processing fee.

Job Number: J01542
Job Description: Royal Waterworks, Inc.

Customer ID: C00953
P.O. Number:
WA:

Date	Item/Description	Task Number	Qty.	Unit	Unit Price	Total Price
3/27/2023	Subcontractors used to complete scope of work	2072	1	Each	5,012.92	5,012.92

(2) Master lift stations pumps repaired

Entered: NR
COA Code: 371
Approved: JG
Paid: CK # 1281
Date: 4/26/23

Phone: (727) 848-8292 Ext. 219
Toll Free: (866) 753-8292 Ext. 219
Email: ar@uswatercorp.net

Subtotal: 5,012.92
Total Sales Tax: 0.00

Total USD: 5,012.92
Adjustments: 0.00

Amount Due: 5,012.92

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Invoice Number: S174251
 Invoice Date: 5/31/2023
 Due Date: 6/30/2023

All pricing anticipates payment by check or ACH. Due to additional cost incurred, services paid by credit card will require an additional 5% processing fee.

Bill To: Royal Waterworks, Inc.
 4939 Cross Bayou Boulevard
 Attn: Joe Gabay
 New Port Richey, FL 34652

Job Number: J01542
 Job Description: Royal Waterworks, Inc.

Customer ID: C00953
 P.O. Number:
 WA:

Date	Item/Description	Task Number	Qty. Unit	Unit Price	Total Price
5/31/2023	Subcontractor used to complete scope of work	2074	1 Each	7,564.68	7,564.68

1/31/2023- Replaced wire harness on bypass pump at master lift station and rental of a bypass pump while pump was out for repair

Entered: MB
 COA Code: 376
 Approved: JG
 Paid: ck# 1290
 Date: 6/29/23

Phone: (727) 848-8292 Ext. 219
 Toll Free: (866) 753-8292 Ext. 219
 Email: ar@uswatercorp.net

Subtotal: 7,564.68
Total Sales Tax: 0.00
Total USD: 7,564.68
Adjustments: 0.00
Amount Due: 7,564.68

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Invoice Number: S172479
Invoice Date: 4/30/2023
Due Date: 5/30/2023

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Bill To: SGI Wastewater Services
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Job Number: J02545
Job Description: SGI Wastewater Services, Inc.

Customer ID: C01103
P.O. Number:
WA: SPARE PUMP LS PUMP #2

Date	Item/Description	Task Number	Qty. Unit	Unit Price	Total Price
10/14/2022	Labor Maintenance Technician	2020	8.5 Each	52.01	442.09
2/1/2023	Labor Maintenance Technician	2020	8.5 Each	52.01	442.09
2/1/2023	Spare Pump Submersible Pump S/N 10767404-1/23	2020	1 Each	3,521.10	3,521.10

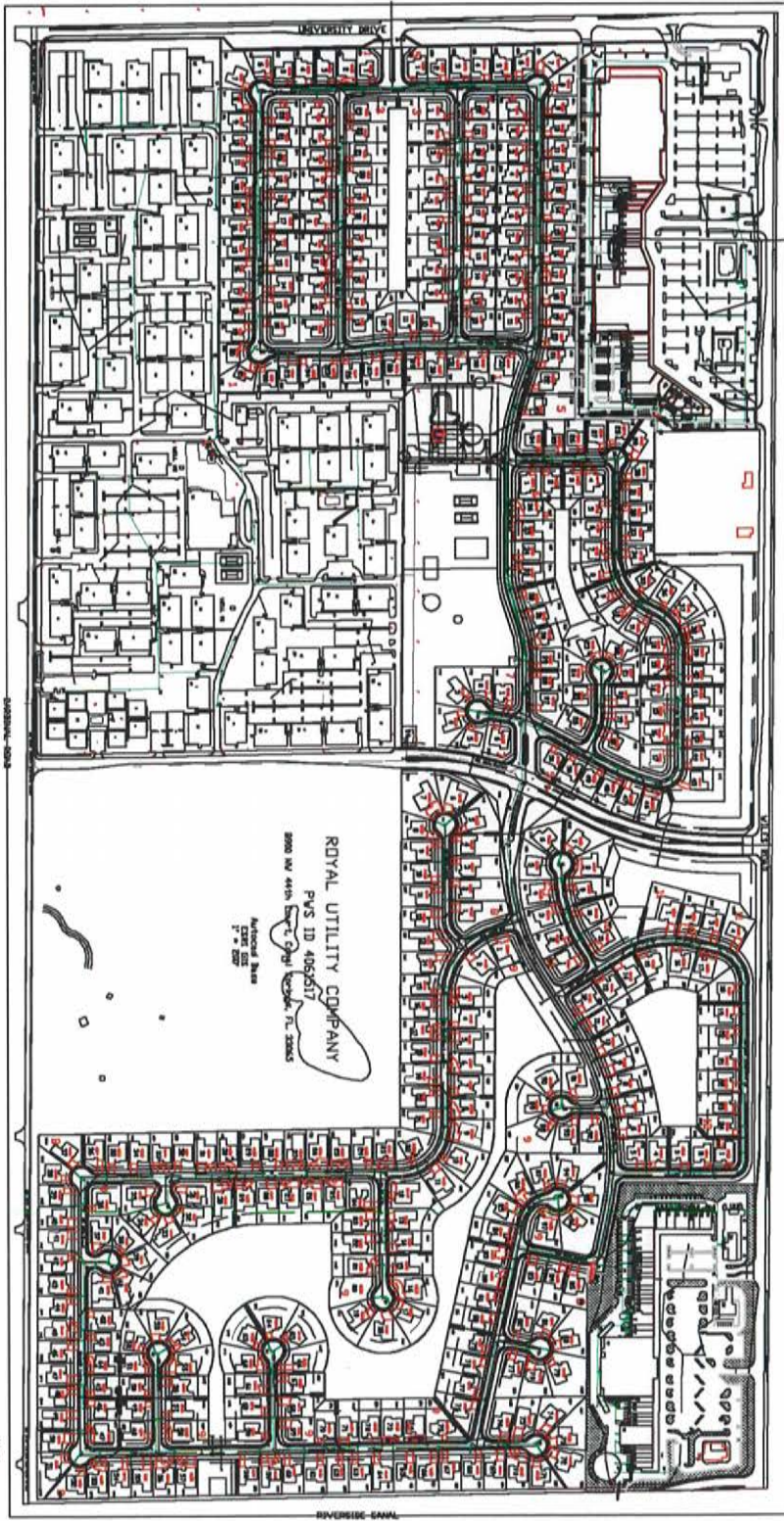
Invoice Adjustments:

Payment 060123: -4,405.28
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USWSC pulled and inspected pump #2 due to it being inoperable. Installed spare pump. Contacted vendor and shipped defective pump back for warranty.

Subtotal: 4,405.28
Total Sales Tax: 0.00
Total USD: 4,405.28
Adjustments: -4,405.28
Amount Due: 0.00

Phone: (727) 848-8292 Ext. 219
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1" = 100'	1" = 200'	1" = 400'	1" = 800'
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