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# Public Service Commission

August 1, 2024

Mr. Robert Johnson  
St. Johns River Estates Utilities, LLC.  
15 Shaker Rd  
Gray, ME 04039

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

**Re: Notice of Delinquent 2023 Annual Report and Fees Due for St. Johns River Estates Utilities, LLC.**

Dear Mr. Johnson:

St. Johns River Estates Utilities, LLC. (Utility) was required to file its 2023 Annual Report by March 31, 2024, or request an extension as provided for by Rule 25-30.110(3), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). To date, the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) has yet to receive this report. Rule 25-30.110(6), F.A.C. sets forth the penalties for delinquent annual reports. The applicable penalty for a Class C utility is \$3.00 per day plus interest, and is based on the number of calendar days elapsed from the date due until the date of filing.

Further and concerning the payment of regulatory assessment fees (RAFs), Rule 25-30.120(2)(b), F.A.C. states: "regulatory assessment fees shall be filed with the Commission on or before March 31 for the preceding year ended December 31." As well as its 2023 Annual Report, as of the date of this letter, the Utility's RAFs have not been paid for the 2023 assessment year. According to Rule 25-30.120(7)(a), F.A.C., a penalty shall be assessed against any utility that fails to pay its regulatory assessment fee by March 31 in the following manner:

1. Five percent of the fee if the failure is for not more than 30 days, with an additional five percent for each additional 30 days or fraction thereof during the time in which the failure continues, not to exceed a total penalty of 25 percent.
2. The amount of interest to be charged is one percent for each thirty days or fraction thereof, not to exceed a total of 12 percent per annum.

In addition to the penalties and interest otherwise provided, the Commission may impose an additional penalty upon a utility for failure to pay regulatory assessment fees in a timely manner in accordance with Section 367.161, F.S. and Rule 25-30.120(7)(b), F.A.C.

Rule 25-30.455(1), F.A.C., subsections (b) and (c), require that a utility seeking a staff-assisted rate case must be in compliance with its annual report filing and have paid all required RAFs or be current on an approved RAF payment plan. Therefore, in order for the PSC to continue

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processing the Utility's staff-assisted rate case (Docket No. 20230131-WS), please remit the following prior to **August 23, 2024**:

1. The Utility's 2023 Annual Report
2. The late fee of \$485.05, which is the amount due as of August 23, 2024, for failure to file the 2023 Annual Report on time pursuant to Rule 25-30.110(6) and (7), F.A.C.
3. The 2023 RAFs for the Utility's wastewater system of \$1,293.26, which is the amount due as of August 23, 2024, includes penalties pursuant to Rule 25-30.120(7), F.A.C.
4. The 2023 RAFs for the Utility's water system of \$959.82, which is the amount due as of August 23, 2024, includes penalties pursuant to Rule 25-30.120(7), F.A.C.

In conclusion, St. Johns River Estates Utilities, LLC. is required to file its 2023 Annual Report and pay \$485.05 in associated late fees. Additionally, St. Johns River Estates Utilities, LLC. must pay \$2,253.08 (\$1,293.26 + \$959.82) in RAFs no later than **August 23, 2024**, if the Utility wishes to move forward with its staff-assisted rate case in Docket No. 20230131-WS.

The Utility must send **two** checks (one for \$485.05 and another for \$2,253.08) made payable to the Florida Public Service Commission. The payments must be mailed to: **Division of Administrative and IT Services, Fiscal Services Section, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, ATTN: Raquel Revells**. Further, continued non-compliance with these requirements may result in show cause proceedings and/or additional fees.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Adria Harper by phone at 850-413-6082 or by email at [AHarper@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:AHarper@psc.state.fl.us) .

Sincerely,



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cc: Office of Commission Clerk (Docket No. 20230131-WS)  
Division of Accounting and Finance (Richards, Higgins, Mouring)  
Office of the General Counsel (Marquez, Harper)