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Public Service Commission

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32399-0850

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DATE: December 9, 2024

TO: Adam J. Teitzman, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk

FROM: Robert Chambliss, Public Utility Analyst I, Division of Economics *RLC*

RE: Docket No. 20240104-WS - Application for grandfather certificate to operate water and wastewater utility in Citrus County, by Tarawood Utilities LLC

Please file the attached documents provided by Mr. Thrumston in the above-referenced docket. These documents are in response to staff's December 6, 2024 data request.

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**FINAL ORDER NO. 24-03
CITRUS COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER AUTHORITY**

A FINAL ORDER OF THE CITRUS COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER AUTHORITY, PURSUANT TO CITRUS COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCE, SECTION 102.255 (b), PROVIDING FOR THE FIXING OF RATES THAT ARE JUST, REASONABLE, COMPENSATORY, AND NOT UNFAIRLY DISCRIMINATORY; APPROVING SUCH CHANGES FOR CITRUS WATER WORKS, INC.; PROVIDING FOR CUSTOMER NOTICE; AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Citrus County Code 102-253, establish the Citrus County Water and Wastewater Authority (AUTHORITY) and provides for specific powers and duties including that of issuing final orders in the matter of rates; and

WHEREAS Citrus County Code 102-255 (b) provides for Staff Assisted Rate Case; and

WHEREAS on October 26, 2023, Tarawood Utilities, LLC notified the Office of Utility Regulation of its intent to submit application for Staff Assisted Rate Case for Citrus Water Works, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2024, Office of Utility Regulation received the Annual Report and Staff Assisted Rate Case application packet from Tarawood Utilities, LLC; and

WHEREAS, on January 15, 2024, Mr. Charles Howard (consultant) provided a report on the Staff Assisted Rate Case which was subsequently adjusted to reflect the format and more detailed explanations of assumptions and the Interim Executive Director provided direction at a meeting on January 29, 2024, after the Authority meeting; and

WHEREAS staff recommends approval of the January 15, 2024, SARC analysis as being fair and reasonable and that the rates should be modified to account for meter replacement to capture revenue loss in the future and should be further modified for the increase of operations costs as shown in exhibit 3, to include chemicals, materials, contract services, sludge disposal, rent, etc. If these adjustments are approved as identified in exhibit 5 of the rate analysis, the identified rate adjustment would increase 21.7% for water and 2.3% for sewer. That would reflect a typical residential bill increase of \$11.01 for water and \$1.38 for sewer. The average monthly bill would increase from \$113.81 to \$126.19.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the AUTHORITY, in public meeting assembled, that:

1. The above resultant adjustments, attached hereto, are approved for services rendered on or after **February 29, 2024**.
2. Utility shall notify each of its customers of the increase in each customer's next rate billing that is issued more than **fifteen (15) days** after the AUTHORITY'S approval. Within **thirty (30) days after** implementation of the adjusted rates, the Utility shall file with the AUTHORITY copies of the notices to customers.
3. This Final Order shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the AUTHORITY and shall remain in effect until the AUTHORITY authorizes a change.

This Order adopted this **8th day of February 2024**, after motion, second, and majority vote favoring same.

**APPROVED AS TO FORM FOR THE
RELIANCE OF CITRUS COUNTY ONLY:**

**CITRUS COUNTY WATER AND
WASTEWATER AUTHORITY**



**DENISE A. DYMOND LYN
ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY**



**BOB RUTEMILLER
CHAIRMAN**

GENERAL SERVICE
RATE SCHEDULE GS

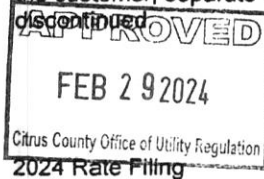
AVAILABILITY - Available throughout the area served by the Company.
APPLICABILITY - For water service for all Customers for which no other schedule applies
LIMITATIONS - Subject to all of the Rules and Regulations of this tariff and General Rules and Regulations of the Citrus County Water & Wastewater Authority.
BILLING PERIOD - Monthly
RATE - Metered rate per month
GALLONAGE CHARGE - \$10.56 per one thousand gallons of metered water use
BASE FACILITY CHARGE -

5/8" X 3/4"	meter -	\$45.30
3/4"	meter -	\$67.95
1"	meter -	\$113.25
1.5"	meter -	\$226.50
2"	meter -	\$362.40
3"	meter -	\$724.80
4"	meter -	\$1132.50
6"	meter -	\$2265.50

MINIMUM CHARGE - The Base Facility Fee is billed once meter is installed and is assessed regardless of the meter being turned off. It is a fee to cover the fixed costs for the Company to stay ready to provide service on demand.
TERMS OF PAYMENT - Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent if not paid within sixteen (16) days if customer resides in Florida; twenty-one (21) days if customer resides outside Florida. After five (5) days written notice is mailed to the customer, separate and apart from any other bill, service may be

EFFECTIVE DATE -

TYPE OF FILING -



John Thrumston
ISSUING OFFICER

Managing Member
TITLE

CITRUS COUNTY WATER
& WASTEWATER AUTHORITY

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Final Order No. 24-03

Approval Date: 2/8/2024

Effective Date: 2/29/2024



Executive Director
Office of Utility Regulation

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OFFICE OF UTILITY REGULATIONS

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 Citrus County Water & Wastewater Authority. Single family occupancies may only have 5/8 x 3/4 meter.

BILLING PERIOD - Monthly

RATE - Metered rate per month

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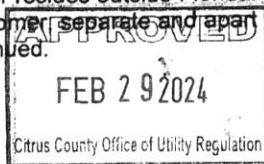
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CITRUS COUNTY WATER
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OFFICE OF UTILITY REGULATIONS

GENERAL SERVICE
RATE SCHEDULE GS

AVAILABILITY - Available throughout the area served by the Company.
APPLICABILITY - For wastewater service for 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 Citrus County Water & Wastewater Authority.
BILLING PERIOD - Monthly
RATE - Metered rate per month
GALLONAGE CHARGE - \$11.79 per one thousand gallons of metered water use
BASE FACILITY CHARGE -

5/8" X 3/4"	meter -	\$40.66
3/4"	meter -	\$60.99
1"	meter -	\$101.65
1.5"	meter -	\$203.30
2"	meter -	\$325.28
3"	meter -	\$650.56
4"	meter -	\$1016.50
6"	meter -	\$2033.00

MINIMUM CHARGE - The Base Facility Fee is billed once meter is installed and is assessed regardless of the meter being turned off. It is a fee to cover the fixed costs for the Company to stay ready to provide service on demand.
TERMS OF PAYMENT - Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent if not paid within sixteen (16) days if customer resides in Florida; twenty-one (21) days if customer resides outside Florida. After five (5) days written notice is mailed to the customer, ~~separate and apart~~ from any other bill, service may be discontinued.

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Citrus County Office of Utility Regulation
2024 Rate Filing

John Thrumston
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Managing Member
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**CITRUS COUNTY WATER
& WASTEWATER AUTHORITY**

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Effective Date: 1/29/2024



**Executive Director
Office of Utility Regulation**

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OFFICE OF UTILITY REGULATIONS

RESIDENTIAL SERVICE
RATE SCHEDULE RS

AVAILABILITY - Available throughout the area served by the Company.

APPLICABILITY - For wastewater 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 Citrus County Water & Wastewater Authority. Single family occupancies may only have 5/8 x 3/4 meter.

BILLING PERIOD - Monthly

RATE - Metered rate per month

GALLONAGE CHARGE - \$11.79 per thousand gallons of metered water use up to a maximum of 6,000 gallons per month

BASE FACILITY CHARGE -

5/8" X 3/4"	meter -	\$40.66
3/4"	meter -	\$60.99
1"	meter -	\$101.65
1.5"	meter -	\$203.30
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TYPE OF FILING -

2024 Rate Filing

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Citrus County Office of Utility Regulation

John Thrumston
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Managing Member
TITLE

CITRUS COUNTY WATER
& WASTEWATER AUTHORITY

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**FINAL ORDER NO. 18-05
CITRUS COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER AUTHORITY**

A FINAL ORDER OF THE CITRUS COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER AUTHORITY, PURSUANT TO CITRUS COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, SECTION 102-253(a)(7) [FINAL ORDER APPROVING, MODIFYING, OR DENYING ANY TARIFF], PROVIDING FOR THE FIXING OF RATES THAT ARE JUST, REASONABLE, COMPENSATORY, AND NOT UNFAIRLY DISCRIMINATORY FOR TARAWOOD UTILITIES LLC, INC. THROUGH TARIFF MODIFICATIONS TO SERVICE AVAILABILITY SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES AND SCHEDULE OF CUSTOMER DEPOSITS; PROVIDING FOR CUSTOMER NOTICE; AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Citrus County Code of Ordinances, Section 102-253, established the Citrus County Water and Wastewater Authority (AUTHORITY) and provides for specific powers and duties including that of issuing final orders in the matter of rates; and

WHEREAS, Citrus County Code of Ordinances, Section 102-253(a)(7) provides this AUTHORITY with final authority powers to approve, modify, or deny any tariff established by or on behalf of an applicant or utility; and

WHEREAS, on July 25, 2018, Tarawood Utilities LLC, Inc. (UTILITY) requested a modification to its tariffs to adjust its service availability schedule of fees and charges and schedule of customer deposits; and

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2018, the UTILITY met the minimum filing requirements for tariff modifications; and

WHEREAS, the AUTHORITY adopted Staff recommendation to adjust the UTILITY's service availability schedule of fees and charges, specifically customer bulk rate charges to add an additional level of service to allow the utility to recover actual incurred costs for this service; and

WHEREAS, the AUTHORITY adopted Staff recommendation to set an effective date for the tariff modifications to go into effect for services rendered on or after November 20, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the UTILITY cannot charge any rates, fees or charges not otherwise approved by this AUTHORITY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the AUTHORITY in public meeting assembled, that:

1. The Utility is authorized to implement its modified tariff sheets as reflected in and attached hereto as Exhibit A.
2. The new tariffs shall become effective for services rendered on or after November 20, 2018.
3. UTILITY shall provide notice to its customers of the revised rates prior to consumption of the respective service at the revised rate.
4. This Final Order shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the AUTHORITY and the tariffs approved herein shall remain in effect until the AUTHORITY authorizes a change.

This Order adopted this 5th day of November, 2018, after motion, second, and majority vote favoring same.

**APPROVED AS TO FORM FOR THE
RELIANCE OF CITRUS COUNTY ONLY:**

**CITRUS COUNTY WATER AND
WASTEWATER AUTHORITY**



**BETH ANTRIM
ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY**



**MICHAEL H. FACEMYER,
CHAIRMAN**

BULK WATER SERVICE

RATE SCHEDULE BW

AVAILABILITY -

Available throughout the area served by the Company.

APPLICABILITY -

For water service for all bulk users 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 Citrus County Water & Wastewater Authority.

BILLING PERIOD -

Monthly

RATE -

Metered rate per month

GALLONAGE CHARGE -

\$0.88 per one thousand gallons of metered water use

TERMS OF PAYMENT -

Bills are due and payable when rendered and become delinquent if not paid within sixteen (16) days if customer resides in Florida; twenty-one (21) days if customer resides outside Florida. After five (5) days written notice is mailed to the customer, separate and apart from any other bill, service may be discontinued.

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September 1, 2018

TYPE OF FILING -

2018 Tariff Change

Exhibit "A"

John Thrumston
ISSUING OFFICER

Managing Member
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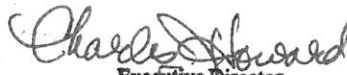
**CITRUS COUNTY WATER
& WASTEWATER AUTHORITY**

APPROVED

Final Order No. 18-05

Approval Date: 11-5-2018

Effective Date: 11-20-2018


Executive Director
Office of Utility Regulation

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**FINAL ORDER NO. 23-05
CITRUS COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER AUTHORITY**

A FINAL ORDER OF THE CITRUS COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER AUTHORITY, PURSUANT TO CITRUS COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, SECTION 102-253(a)(6) [FINAL ORDER TO FIX RATES] AND SECTION 102-256 (b) [LIMITED PROCEEDINGS]; PROVIDING FOR THE FIXING OF RATES THAT ARE JUST, REASONABLE, COMPENSATORY, AND NOT UNFAIRLY DISCRIMINATORY; APPROVING SUCH RATE CHANGES FOR TARAWOOD UTILITIES,LLC; PROVIDING FOR CUSTOMER NOTICE; AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Citrus County Code of Ordinance, Section 102-253, establish the Citrus County Water and Wastewater Authority (AUTHORITY) and provides for specific powers and duties including that of issuing final orders in the matter of rates; and

WHEREAS, Citrus County Code of Ordinances, Section 102-256 (b) provides for limited rate proceeding adjustments and provides for the procedure for satisfying the filing requirements of a limited rate proceeding adjustment; and

WHEREAS, on July 24, 2023, Tarawood Utilities, LLC (Utility) notified the Office of Utility Regulation of its intent to apply for a limited rate proceeding using 2022 as the test year with 2023 pro forma adjustments; and

WHEREAS, on July 24, 2023, Utility met the minimum filing requirements; and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends approval of the Utility's application which raises the fee to \$750 for 5/8"x3/4" tap in charge, meter installation to \$220 for main extension charge residential per ERC, to \$465 for plant capacity charge residential per ERC, and to \$2.49 water availability charge for readiness to serve residential per ERC per month.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the AUTHORITY, in public meeting assembled, that:

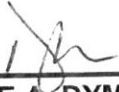
1. The above resultant rate adjustments, attached hereto as Tarawood Utilities, Water Tariff, are approved for services rendered on or after October 1, 2023.
2. Utility shall notify each of its customers of the increase in each customer's next rate billing that is issued more than **fifteen (15)** days after the AUTHORITY'S approval. Within **thirty (30)** days after implementation of the adjusted rates, the Utility shall file with the AUTHORITY copies of the notices to customers.

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3. This Final Order shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the AUTHORITY and shall remain in effect until the AUTHORITY authorizes a change.

This Order adopted this **19th of September 2023**, after motion, second, and majority vote favoring same.

APPROVED AS TO FORM FOR THE
RELIANCE OF CITRUS COUNTY ONLY



DENISE A. DYMOND LYN
COUNTY ATTORNEY

CITRUS COUNTY WATER AND
WASTEWATE AUTHORITY



BOB RUTEMILLER
CHAIRMAN

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THIRD REVISED SHEET NO. 17.0
CANCELS SECOND REVISED SHEET NO. 17.0

TARAWOOD UTILITIES

WATER TARIFF

SERVICE AVAILABILITY FEES AND CHARGES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>SHEET NO./RULE NO.</u>
<u>Customer Connection (Tap-in) Charge</u> 5/8" x 3/4" metered service	\$750 (1)	24.0/4.0
<u>Main Extension Charge</u> Residential-per ERC (GPD)	\$220	24.1/22.0
<u>Plant Capacity Charge</u> Residential-per ERC (GPD)	\$465	24.1/23.0
<u>Water Availability Charge for Readiness To Serve</u> Residential-per ERC per month	\$2.49	24.1/24.0

The above table is based on a 5/8 by 3/4 meter installation at single family lot with an annual water demand of 250 gpd.

(1) Or Actual Cost

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TYPE OF FILING - Tariff revision

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OFFICE OF UTILITY REGULATIONS

John Thrumston
Issuing Officer

Managing Memeber
Title

TARAWOOD UTILITIES, LLC
PO BOX 1018
FLORAL, FL 34436

352-302-5330

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

01-00050-00	11/01/24	12/02/24	
DESCRIPTION OF CHARGES			
prv:387410 cur:389280 usg:1870	WTR		19.75
WATER - 5/8" METER BASE	WTR		45.30
SEWER - 5/8" METER BASE	SWR		40.66
SEWER - 5/8" METER USAGE	SWR		22.05


PAYMENTS CAN BE SENT TO TARAWOOD UTILITIES
P.O. BOX 1018 FLORAL CITY FL 34436. DROPED OFF
AT 7389 S. FLORIDA AVE OR PAID ONLINE
TARAWOODUTILITIES.GOVTPORTAL.COM
LATE FEE MAY BE ADDED IF NOT PAID BY DUE DATE.

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127.76

Pay Online - tarawoodutilities.govtportal.com
Pay By Phone - (352) 814-2926

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127.76	12/02/24
127.76	12/23/24
132.76	12/28/24

SVC ADDR: 10457 S. DREW BRYANT CIR.
Thank you for your business


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FLORAL CITY FL 34436